

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

The English Hospital Sunday Fund, of this year, is the largest ever collected, being upward of 200,000.

REV. W. T. GARROWAY has accepted the call to Utica Church, Presbytery of Erie, and will enter upon the work there on December 1st.

THE Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn (Dr. Cuyler's) has given \$4,000 to Home Missions during the last month.

BISHOP DOANE is organizing a new society for the study of the Holy Scriptures and Church History, of which Miss Sarah F. Smiley will have the practical direction.

THE American Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions makes an urgent appeal for money. It has a debt of about \$150,000, and on this borrowed money interest has to be paid.

AT the late meeting of the Synod of New York the Presbytery of Genesee Valley was dissolved, and the ministers and churches comprising it divided between the Presbyteries of Buffalo and Steuben.

THE Central Association of Free Baptists of New York adopted, unanimously, resolutions favouring union between the Free Baptists and the Christians of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

THE fortieth anniversary of Rev. Dr. Storrs' pastorate in Pilgrim Congregational Church, Brooklyn, occurred on the 18th ult. A social reunion, largely attended, was held in the evening, Dr. Storrs having declined a public celebration.

MR. WILLIAM GUTHRIE, a member of Tinkling Spring, Va., Presbyterian church, who died recently at the age of ninety years, has left an estate worth \$20,000 to the Home and Foreign Missions of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

THE Reformed Episcopal Church has now eight parishes in Chicago, all worshipping in their own buildings, and all supplied with permanent rectors. Eleven clergymen are actually at work, and the church property is valued at \$25,000.

DR. SOMERVILLE, accompanied by his son, Rev. James Somerville, has been continuing his Highland evangelistic tour. At Lochcarron, Torridon, and Applecross he had large congregations. At the first-named place the ex-moderator's sermon was translated into Gaelic, as he proceeded, by Mr. Macrae, of Carlaway.

THE Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, came last year within \$4,771,53 of the million for missions! The collections for the Missionary Society for the year ending with October 31st amount to \$992,126.47 for the year ending October 31st, 1905, (they were \$922,128.36), showing an increase of \$165,300.11. This is for Home and Foreign Missions both.

THERE has been an increase of £2,500 on the sustentation fund Free Church of Scotland, during the five months ending 10th October, but, as usual, more than that amount comes from legacies and donations. The receipts from congregations are £700 behind. The contributions for foreign missions during the last six months are £216 less than the corresponding period of the previous year.

PRINCIPAL DOUGLAS, in his opening address at the Glasgow college, argued that the efficient equipment of candidates for the ministry was as essential now as ever it was. While the elementary truths of the Gospel might be preached by an evangelist possessing fewer and lower qualifications, his position was inferior to that of the pastor of a congregation, who had to deal with all classes and all ages and to sustain their attention and guide their lives.

PROF. BLAIKIE, in the opening lecture in the Edinburgh hall, said there were many things that rendered the position of a Free church minister a very admirable one, and, no young man of average attainments and ability need fear that he was throwing himself away by entering upon it. Their divinity halls had always been regarded as instruments for the purposes of the church in training minister and not as laboratories for the scientific investigation of theology.

CHAPLAIN MCCABE, the indefatigable, has decided upon a new plan for raising the "million for missions," which has been so nearly accomplished in the last two years. There are to be fifty thousand million-dollar leagues among the Methodist children, each league to contain at least five members, with secretary and treasurer, who are to obtain "willing worker" cards from the Chaplain, on which they and their friends write the sum pledged for the year.

THE New Zealand Presbyterian, in a tribute to the memory of Rev. J. H. McNaughton, the first minister of Anderson's bay, Dunedin, who died at Brechin in May last, notes the fact that he is the ninth minister of Otago and Southland who has passed away from earth. The strain of pioneering, accounts for this heavy mortality. Mr. McNaughton, who laboured for fourteen years at Dunedin, returned to his native country on account of failing health in 1876 and took up his residence with his sister at Newport, in Fifeshire.

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REGARDING THE FUNCTIONS OF AN IMPORTANT ORGAN.

OF WHICH THE PUBLIC KNOWS BUT LITTLE—WORTHY CAREFUL CONSIDERATION.

"To the Editor of the Scientific American:—

"Will you permit us to make known to the public the facts we have learned during the past 8 years, concerning disorders of the human kidneys and the organs which disease kidneys so easily break down? You are conducting a Scientific paper, and are unprejudiced except in favor of TRUTH. It is needless to say, no medical Journal of 'Code' standing would admit these facts, for very obvious reasons.

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That we may emphasize and clearly explain the relation the kidneys sustain to the general health, and how much is dependent upon them, we propose, metaphorically speaking, to take one from the human body, place in the wash-bowl before us, and examine it for the public benefit.

You will imagine that we have before us a body shaped like a bean, smooth and glistening; about four inches in length, two in width, and one in thickness. It ordinarily weighs in the adult male, about five ounces, but is somewhat lighter in the female. A small organ? you say. But understand, the body of the average size man contains about ten quarts of blood, of which every drop passes through these filters or sewers, as they may be called, many times a day, as often as through the heart, making a complete revolution in three minutes. From the blood they separate the waste material, working away steadily night and day, sleeping or waking, tireless as the heart itself, and fully of as much vital importance; removing impurities from sixty-five gallons of blood each hour, or about forty-nine barrels each day, or 9,125 hogsheads a year! What a wonder that the kidneys can last any length of time under this prodigious strain, treated and neglected as they are?

We slice this delicate organ open lengthwise with our knife, and will roughly describe its interior. We find it to be of a reddish-brown color, soft and easily torn; filled with hundreds of little tubes, short and thread-like, starting from the arteries, ending in a little tuft about midway from the outside opening into a cavity of considerable size, which is called the pelvis or, roughly speaking, a sac, which is for the purpose of holding the water to further undergo purification before it passes down from here into the ureters, and so on to the outside of the body. These little tubes are the filters which do their work automatically, and right here is where the disease of the kidney first begins.

Doing the vast amount of work which they are obliged to, from the slightest irregularity of our habits, from cold, from high living, from stimulants or a thousand and one other causes which occur every day, they become somewhat weakened in their nerve force.

What is the result? Congestion or stoppage of the current of blood in the small blood vessels surrounding them, which becomes blocked; these delicate membranes are irritated; inflammation is set up, then pus is formed, which collects in the pelvis or sac; the tubes are at first partially, and soon are totally, unable to do their work. The pelvic sac goes on distending with this corruption, pressing upon the blood vessels. All this time, remember, the blood, which is entering the kidneys to be filtered, is passing through this terrible, disgusting pus, for it cannot take any other route!

Stop and think of it for a moment. Do you realize the importance, nay the vital necessity, of having the kidneys in order? Can you expect when they are diseased or obstructed, no matter how little, that you can have pure blood and escape disease? It would be just as reasonable to expect, if a pest-house were set across Broadway and countless thousands were compelled to go through its pestilential doors, and escape from contagion and disease, as for one to expect the blood to escape pollution when constantly running through a diseased kidney.

Now, what is the result? Why, that the blood takes up and deposits the poison as it sweeps along into every organ, into every inch of muscle, tissue, flesh and bone, from your head to your feet. And whenever, from hereditary influence or otherwise, some part of the body is weaker than another, a countless train of diseases is established, such as consumption in weak lungs, dyspepsia, where there is a delicate stomach; nervousness, insanity, paralysis or heart disease in those who have weak nerves.

The heart must soon feel the effects of the poison, as it requires pure blood to keep it in right action. It increases its stroke in number and force to compensate for the natural stimulus wanting, in its endeavor to crowd the impure blood through this obstruction, causing pain, palpitation, or an out-of-breath feeling. Unnatural as this forced labor is, the heart must soon falter, becoming weaker and weaker until one day it suddenly stops, and death from apparent "heart disease" is the verdict.

But the medical profession, learned and dignified, call these diseases by high sounding names, treat them alone, and patients die, for the arteries are carrying slow death to the organs, constantly adding fuel brought from these suppurating, pus-laden kidneys which here in our wash-bowl are very

putrefaction itself, and which should have been cured first!

But this is not all the kidneys have to do; for you must remember that each adult takes about seven pounds of nourishment every twenty-four hours to supply the waste of the blood which is constantly going on, a waste equal to the quantity taken. This, too, the kidneys have to separate from the blood with all other decomposing matter.

But you say, "My kidneys are all right. I have no pain in my back." Mistaken man! People die of kidney disease of so bad a character that the organs are rotten, and yet, they have never there had a pain nor an ache!

Why? Because the disease begins, as we have shown, in the interior of the kidney, where there are few nerves of feeling to convey the sensation of pain. Why this is so, we may never know.

When you consider their great work, the delicacy of their structure, the ease with which they are deranged, can you wonder at the ill-health of our men and women? Health and long life cannot be expected when so vital an organ is impaired. No wonder some writers say we are degenerating. Don't you see the great, the extreme importance of keeping this machinery in working order? Could the finest engine do even a fractional part of this work, without attention from the engineer? Don't you see how dangerous this hidden disease is? It is lurking about us constantly, without giving any indication of its presence.

The most skillful physicians cannot detect it at times, for the kidneys themselves cannot be examined by any means which we have at our command. Even an analysis of the water, chemically and microscopically, reveals nothing definite in many cases, even when the kidneys are fairly broken down.

Then look out for them, as disease, no matter where situated, to 93 per cent., as shown by after-death examinations, has its origin in the breaking down of these secreting tubes in the interior of the kidney.

As you value health, as you desire long life free from sickness and suffering, give these organs some attention. Keep them in good condition and thus prevent (as is easily done) all disease.

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