

Is It Right Father?

In a pleasant suburb on the sunny side of London, there lived a married couple whose early life had been passed in a very busy district of the borough of Southwark. They were fruiters, and from year to year carried on their business without ever thinking of the Sabbath. One great trouble had clouded their lives. Out of a large family only one child had survived beyond the first two years, and little Annie would most probably have laid beside her brother and sisters in Norwood Cemetery, but that she had been sent down to the Coast of Sussex, to an aunt who lived there, and who not only had to rejoice in seeing the little sickly blossom consigned to her care, but also in the prospect of the child growing into a blooming, active child, but was successful in teaching her little charge some divine truths, that, when received into the mind, fill it with heavenly light. Annie, who had been in the hands of a nurse, became a lively, bright, active child, and when received into the mind, fill it with heavenly light. Annie, who had been in the hands of a nurse, became a lively, bright, active child, and when received into the mind, fill it with heavenly light.

"Where are you going, father?" she said.
"Oh, I'm going on business, child."
"But it's Sabbath, father."
"Yes, yes—I know that my dear, but I'm obliged to go. I'm very sorry but I must—now do not cry. I will be home early, my child."
"But is it right, father?" sobbed little Annie. "Is it right, father?"
"Is what right?"
"Why going to work on Sabbath father?"
"Right—I do not know. It is very hard, that I know; but I must go—I must go."
"He kissed the little girl's wet cheek fondly, and with an uncomfortable feeling that he never felt before, he set off toward the city."
"Is it right, father?"—the words kept ringing in his ears. He could not get the words out. He felt that if he had told his child yes, he would have sinned a sin—taught his innocent child a wicked lesson. No, it was not right. Was he, then, to keep on doing wrong when his little child had, by her question convinced him?
For hours that day these thoughts troubled him. The words, "Is it right, father?" vibrated through his soul he was brought to say, "No, it is not right; and God helping me, I will give up Sabbath trading—I will."
He got home in time to hear Annie say her evening prayers: "Make Annie a good girl." "Ah, child," said Mr. Richards interrupting her, "say also, 'Make father a good man.'" The simple words were uttered, the loving kiss given. It was the father's turn now to wipe the tears from his eyes. From that day he closed his shop on the Sabbath.
"We shall have to leave our new little country dwelling," said his timid wife. "But they had not to leave. They prospered more than ever from that time forth.
"I like to deal with tradesmen that keep the Sabbath," said one of the most respectable people of the district where his shop was, "for if he will not cheat his own conscience he will not cheat me."
And still he lives to testify as he has often done, "My little girl learned me from Sabbath-breaking when she said, 'But is it right, father?'" — P. WISCONS.

Mrs. Summary.

The Scott Act, has been carried in five counties, and one city. Ontario, with the following majorities:—Kent 202; Lanark 413; Guelph (city) 100; Bromfeldt; Lennox and Addington 28; York 148. The temperance people of Halifax city and county have decided to submit the Scott Act to the electors as soon as preliminary can be arranged. "Strong opposition may be expected in Halifax city."

AN ANTI-SCOTT FIRE RUG—Francis Sney, who was arrested at Lindsay some days ago, after returning from the States, pleaded guilty before Judge Millar, who sentenced him to the 6th inst. and to five years in the penitentiary. He made statements that he was paid to do so by the anti-Scott Act people.

St. Catharines, N. B.—A new ship building on the 11th Dec. Two hundred tons of pig iron were shipped from St. Catharines on Wednesday and 300 on Thursday.

The Strait of Canso is full of drift ice jumbled up so with the current that it is impossible for a steamer to get through or a small boat to get over.

Postmaster General Carling is now spoken of as Ontario's next Lieut. Governor.

The first city mission in Halifax was organized about the 1st of June, 1852. The Canadian Pacific Railway will take the entire Dominion of Postmaster General Carling from Ottawa to Columbia River, Rocky Mountains, at the close of the session.

The Warrville Acadam, Rockcastle county, is at present endeavoring to send a bill to appeal for their assessments in April next, to the extent of some \$200,000 which has been assessed upon them, on account of ship property. They claim there is no law to compel them to pay any poor or county tax on ships.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—It is reported that Mr. Tennyson, who has just returned from being entrusted by a number of Halifax and Montreal capitalists with the task of establishing a line of steamships between Halifax, Glasgow and Liverpool. Mr. Percival, it is said, having succeeded in interesting the Dominion authorities, will petition the French government for a subsidy, the line, should it be established, will run a weekly service, and in the event of its proving a success, will be extended to Brazil and the river Plate.

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Gladstone occupies.—The second explosion in the Parliament buildings occurred three minutes after the first, and was far more destructive. The Lobby of the House of Commons was completely demolished. Four persons were badly injured by the explosion, two of whom were policemen, who it is feared are fatally injured.

Another explosion occurred about two o'clock Saturday afternoon, at London Tower. The famous old building was damaged with visitors at the time of the explosion, the attack was made on that part of the building known as the White Tower, which was almost completely wrecked, the roof being blown completely off. Several persons were severely injured. The mystery of the explosions has not yet been solved.

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Marriages.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Roundell Creek, Parish of Mounton, on the 14th inst., by Rev. G. O. Gates, Mr. James A. Brown, of Cotterdale, West Co., and Miss Keturah, daughter of Capt. Thomas Nixon.

At Charlottetown, on the 13th inst., by Rev. R. K. Kiley, Mr. John S. Gregory, of St. Catharines, Lot 45, to Miss Katie Currie, of Bannewick, Lot 30.

At Charlottetown, on the 13th inst., by Rev. Jos. A. O'Neill, Mr. John H. Toole, to Miss Rebecca Marshall, of St. John city.

By Rev. A. Freeman, Dec. 30th, 1884, Robert Steyer, Esq., to Miss Matilda McDonald, both of Newport.

By the same, at the residence of Elias F. Dimock, Esq., on the 31st Dec., 1884, Joseph M. Green, adopted son of John P. Miller, Esq., to Miss Susan Dimock, all of Newport.

At the Baptist parsonage, Newn Ice, on the 26th inst., by the Rev. E. S. Hill, Mr. John Miller, of North Co., Northumberland Co., to Miss Joseph North, of the same place.

At the Baptist parsonage, at Antwerp, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. Edwin T. Miller, Mr. William T. Easton, of L'Anse-au-Loup, to Miss Charlotte A. Brimicombe, of the same place.

At Isaac's station, on Jan. 17th, by Rev. Thomas Bishop, David Gibson, and Ella Peaton, all of Country Harbour.

At Little's Cove, on the 15th inst., by Rev. C. Morse, John R. Martin, to Ada Victoria, third daughter of Capt. P. W. Frost, of Little River.

By the same, at Roseway, Jan. 18th, Edmund T. Frost, of Little River, to Miss daughter of the late Rev. E. S. Hill, of Roseway.

At Brookton, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. E. C. Atwater, William Carey Burham, of St. John, to Miss Mary C. Young, daughter of John H. Burham Esq., of St. Martins, N. B.

At Cow Bay, C. N., Jan. 22nd, by Rev. J. C. Spry, A. B. M., Thomas Callaghan, to Miss Annie M. M., daughter of the late Capt. John Littlewood, all of St. John.

Deaths.

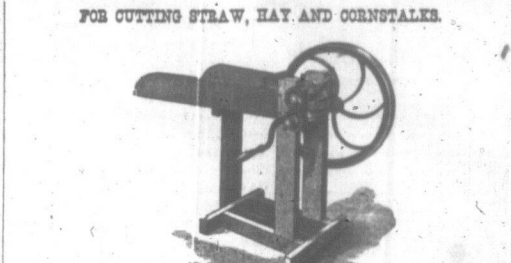
At Bonaventure, Jan. 18th (aged 65 years), Mr. Miller, who was on his way to work, fell from a high place, striking his head on a sharp edge of a building, resulting in death from the effects of the hurt and exposure. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and died in the arms of his wife.

At Prince William, N. B., Jan. 18th, James H. Brown, aged 29 years, and a member of the Baptist Church, died of a severe cold, which he caught while on duty in the woods on the 16th inst., and was laid out on the 17th, and buried on the 18th. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and died of a severe cold, which he caught while on duty in the woods on the 16th inst., and was laid out on the 17th, and buried on the 18th.

At Paradise, Annapolis, Co., N. S., on Monday, Jan. 18th, Arthur Carlyle, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Carlyle, aged two months.

Mrs. George W. Fletcher, a beloved member of the Baptist Church, died on the morning of Thursday, Jan. 17th, at her residence in the city of St. John, N. B. She was a member of the Baptist Church, and died of a severe cold, which she caught while on duty in the woods on the 16th inst., and was laid out on the 17th, and buried on the 18th.

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BRITISH AND FOREIGN.
Many soldiers and travellers in Spain have been pursued to death. Reports have been received of the destruction caused by avalanches in the Piedmontese Alps are coming in slowly, telegraph lines being prostrated and roads blocked by great masses of ice. Reports from Bronasco state that nine persons were killed and many others injured in that village. At Chitrabando every house was buried, and in some cases masses of ice and snow covering houses twenty feet deep. Soldiers and neighboring villagers are laboring with desperate energy to rescue survivors. Scores of dead bodies have been taken out, and in many cases they bear no mark of injury, which shows that they must have been suffocated. Further details of the catastrophe have been sent from Turin with food and clothing for the sufferers.

At St. John's N.B., on Thursday the jury brought in a verdict of guilty, in favor of Richard Harper, who was charged with the murder of Robert White and 17 other River Head and Harbor Grace Roman Catholics, charged by the crown with the murder of the Orangeman, William White, at the "Pit" near St. Stephen's day, 1883. Immediately after the rendering of the verdict, the prisoners were committed for the murder, to the same place, of Bray, Nicholas and Callahan.

The United States is the third silk manufacturing country in the world. The annual production amounts to \$28,000,000. In the United States are the following:—Columbia, \$5,000,000; Johns Hopkins, \$1,500,000; Lowell, \$2,000,000; Lehigh, \$1,800,000; Lowell, \$1,400,000. The Brooklyn bridge earned \$533,000 during the year ending with November, and the surplus to the city was \$200,000. A great problem is to locate all the Kidney and Liver Medicines. —Take all the Blood purifiers, —Take all the Rheumatic remedies, —Take all the Pyogenic and septic cures, —Take all the Aque, Fever, and bilious cures, —Take all the Brain and Nervous cures, —Take all the Great health restorers. In a short, take all the best qualities of all these, and you will find that —Hop Bitters have the best curative qualities and powers of all cures, and will cure in any or all of these, singly or combined. —Fall A thorough trial will give positive proof of its worth.

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