when I came to the end of the advertisement I read this paralyzing line, "Dissenters not Eligible." That was in England, Christian England, free England, the England that boasts a flag that has braved a thousand years no end of battles and This is not an invented case; it is an actual fact in our immediate national history. Now why are not Dissenters eligible to occupy quite a small house in the county of Hertfordshire?" He also says. "If a priest were to come from the Romish Church and seek admission into the Church of England, his ordination vows would be regarded as valid --such a priest would not need to be But if a Nonconformist minister were to seek admission into the Church of England with the view of becoming a clergyman, all his Nonconformist history would have to be purged away, cleansed away, and the man would have to undergo ordination, as if he had never been called to the ministry of the cross."

A discussion had lately been held in Madras before an audience of 2,500 persons, between the Hindus and Mohammedans on the one side, and the Christians on the other concerning the Godhead of Christ. The principal spokesman of the former was a learned Moslem. He concluded his argument by saying: "Although we cannot acknowledge that the Bible represents Christ as the Supreme Being, we must all concede that He is the best and holiest man that has ever lived, so good and holy that He can secure to all who put their trust in Him the inheritance of eternal life." The force of this testimony, from such a man at such a time, must have been very great. — Missionary Review of the World.

A Piece of Paper.—I was asked to go to a public house in Nottingham to see the landlord's wife who was dying. I found her rejoicing in Christ as her Saviour. I asked her how she found the Lord. "Reading that," she replied, handing me a torn piece of paper. I looked at it and found that it was a part of an American newspaper, containing an extract from one of Spurgeon's sermons, which extract had been the means of her conversion. "Where did you find this newspaper?" I asked. She answered, "It was wrapped around a parcel sent to me from Australia!" Talk about the hidden life of a good seed! Think of that! A sermon preached in London, conveyed to America, then to Australia, part of it torn off for the parcel dispatched to England, and after all its wanderings, giving the message of salvation to that woman's soul! God's word shall not return unto Him void. From an Evangelist.

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tianity by some of his friends, and avowed himself as unwilling to accept it. A short time ago he arranged to print a Christian book, and in doing so was obliged to look over and correct the proof. He became interested in the contents and he soon began to study it with great pleasure. So he was led on, step by step, to a belief in Christ and a profession of the Christian faith.

Prayers have been offered in Jewish Synagoges of the United States for the recovery of the Emperor of Germany. It is well known that the Emperor is a friend to the Jewish race while Bismarck is their enemy. A change in the government of Germany now would not be for the best interests of the Hebrews, and they are anxious for the life of the present Emperor.

The United Congregational Conference of Georgia, recently organized at Atlanta, represents and includes sixty Congregational Methodist churches in the State, a few Methodist Protestant churches and a few Congregational churches. The new conference has placed itself in connection wite the national council of the Congregational churches of the United States.

The number of foreign missionaries—European and American—laboring in India, Ceylon and Burmah, is estimated at 689. Native laborers, ordained and unordained, are counted by the thousands, while the number of baptized Protestant Christians is reckoned at 500,000.

Rev. Hudson Taylor never asks for subscriptions nor has he collections at any of his meetings. But friends who know what good work is being done by the China Island Mission make use of the post office for the purpose of remitting; and in this manner Mr. Taylor received £3,356 during January.

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