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## AN AMERICAN VIEW OF MR. SPURGEON

THE withdrawal of Mr. Spurgeon, the leading Baptist clergyman of England, if not of the world, from the Baptist Union is the leading topic of discussion in religious circles in Great Britain, and a great deal of comment, friendly and unfriendly to the popular preacher, has been indulged in. He declares that believers in Christ's atonement are now in declared religious union with those who make light of it: those who hold evangelical doctrine are in open alliance with those who call the fall a fable, who deny the personality of the Holy Ghost, who call justification by faith immoral, and hold that there is another probation after death and a future restitution for the lost. We have before us the wretched spectacle of professedly orthodox Christians publicly avowing their union with those who deny the faith and scarcely concealing their contempt of those who cannot be guilty of such gross disloyalty to Christ. His withdrawal, however, has resulted in a fresh agitation of the burning questions of orthodoxy and heterodoxy which cannot but bring to the attention of his own people problems in liberal theology which, according to his expressed views, he would prefer to have them ignore. He has cast a flaming brand into the midst of the Baptist Church of England, and he is now powerless to quench the flames .- New York Times.

## MR. CHAMBERLAIN GIVES HIS VIEWS.

Commercial Union Will Never Be Effected-Advises Free Trade for Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 22.-Lord Lansdowne presided at an official dinner to Joseph Chamberlain, British Fishery Commissioner, at Rideau Hall to-night. Sir John Macdonald and all the members of his Cabinet and deputy heads were present. Mr. Chamberlain gave a reception to the local journalists and press correspondents of the Government House early in the evening. The event passed off pleasantly enough save a hitch at the commencement, when a dangerous silence ensued until one of the newspaper men had the courage to interrogate the statesman. He was then subjected to a running fire of questions, replying in most cases guardedly, and scoring point after point on his interviewers. His declarations are regarded as invaluable to the Canadian Government, dispelling the hopes of certain persons regarding his views on leading Canadian issues. Everybody present, with one exception, accepted his invitation to partake of liquid refreshments. Camberlain, among other things, said he would like to see Canada, if possible, adopt a policy of free trade. Questioned regarding commercial union, he said it would never be carried out, because there was no feeling in favor of it in the United States. Everybody he spoke to across the border said the movement simply meant the annexation of Canada. He believed this, and added that Canada sacrificed the title as an independent nation when she permitted the United States to arrange her tariff. The ties between Canada and England, in his opinion, were as strong as ever, but the mother country would never oppose separation. Canada, however, need never expect to obtain the treaty-making power unless she was prepared to enforce her own treaties. Mr. Chamberlain will visit Toronto and Niagara Falls before returning to Washington. Later on he will take a transcontinental trip. He does not propose

## TRAIN ROBBERS SCARED OFF.

to write a book.

Conductor's Punch Frightens One and All Take to Immediate Flight.

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Dec. 28 .- As the train from El Paso was coming north this morning, and just as it left Isleta Junction, thirteen miles south of this city, three men jumped on board, two on the rear platform and one on the vay car, where conductor Russell was standing lantern in hand. The conductor, supposing the man to be a passenger, spoke pleasantly, but the fellow presented a revolver and ordered P.E. ISLAND PRODUCE! For Sale, Water Company Stock him to throw up his hands. Instead of complying, Russell drew from his pocket his punch, which seems to have frightened the would-be which seems to have frightened the would-be robber. At this moment the brakeman swung on the platform, when the robber jumped off and ran away, followed by his two companions. A force of officers has been hunting for the robbers, but has lost the trail. They are supposed to be novices in the art of train-smothered with lace. robbing, most likely tramps.

A Jersey Story.

(Continued.)

'Be a brick, Miss Wedmore, and try to give miserable wretch a chance.

' How can I? I can't make Gertie like you. ' Keep that fellow Moray out of the way, so

that I may try my luck at least.' 'You're doing your very best to rain it by seeming to flirt with me. Gertie is awfully

jealous, mind. 'Hang it! I beg your pardon I mean-

'You needn't, I don't mind it.' 'I think I have most reason for jealousy Why, I knew that she and Moray were spoons once, even if they are not now.'

'Yes, but Gertie can't know that I am only playing confidante.'

' Never you mind; only help me, and you shall see what the bridesmaids' lockets will be

' For shame, Captain Rashton! Bribery and corruption. By the way, I have a weakness

'I'll make a note of that,' answered Captain Rashton, taking out his pocketbook for the

Certainly, to an uninitiated eye, the two had decidedly as much the appearance of flirting as Percival and Gertie had, and a keen observer might have connected that fact with the wrathful flash of Miss Clive's blue eyes and her sharp petulant answers when addressed. Clare did not do so, but imagined that these signs of ill-temper in her friend were owing to some fault of Percy's, and inwardly determined, now that she knew of the understanding between Mr. Moray and Gertie to abstain even from any appearance of intimacy with the former, lest it should wound her friend whom she knew was a little inclined to be exciting.

'She needn't be afraid, though,' thought poor Clare to herself. 'I know he is true. If he loved me I would trust him entirely.'.

The party broke up at the top of King street, Florence Wedmore going one way, and the three other girls holding the opposite course.

'Good-bye for an hour and a half,' said Florence. 'Captain Rashton and Percy, you are to come back home with me and give the floors a last polish.'

If Gertie's face could be said to be dark at any time, it certainly was, as she with Clare and May turned towards that quarter of St. Helier's popularly known as "the Shingles."

'What a flirt Florence is!' she remarked with virtuous indignation. ' People who live in glass houses,' answered

May. 'The idea of you accusing anyone of flirting, Gertie, is rather too fine, considering the way you have always treated Percy.' 'Percy and I understand one another,' an-

wered Gertie curtly. 'That is a comfort, at all events,' retorted

May, 'for nobody else does. Well, here is our house, so ta-ta for the present.' Two more minutes and Clare and Gertie

reached the latter's home, called the Retreat apparently because it faced the road. The dinner that evening at the above men-

tioned abode was not very cheerful. Gertie was cross, Clare occupied by her bitter thoughts of what she had learned that afternoon, and Mrs. Clive, Gertie's mother, (Miss Clive was an only child), found it very hard work to maintain anything like conversation.

Directly it was ended Girtie ran up to her room to dress for that evening's dance at the Wedmores'. She was standing in her white wrapper by the toilet table unfastening the twisted rope of her pretty hair, which shone like gold in the still lingering after light, when her eye fell on a half-withered bouquet of passion flowers, ferns and tube roses which was placed in a glass of water on the table. Some memory connected with it made her cheeks flush, her brain throb, her eyes burn with stinging tears which she tried to force back by biting of her underlip.

'So,' she thought, 'he neglects me and flirts with Florence! Very well, sir, tit for tat. I'll revenge myself with Percy, and if I don't make you suffer-that's all.'

Meanwhile Clare, in her room above, was trying to convince herself against her heart's assurance that Percy did not love her, and that if he did (illogical but girlish sequence), it was her duty to Gertie to reject his affection, and bid him render it to her to whom it was

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