

in raising the money, and would be glad to divide this among the rest, giving to each church a certain sum, varying according to the number of teachers appointed by them. The Queen and the Prime Minister have promised not to work independently of the church, nor to curtail its liberty, but to co-operate with it in the arrangements to be made. Each congregation has made great exertions, and teachers are being sent out in all directions. No fewer than one hundred and sixty villages are in need of their services.—*Sunday Magazine*.

## RELIGIOUS EXTRACTS

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### SOLITUDE.

YOU cannot live *for* Him in the world unless you live much *with* Him, apart from the world. In spiritual as in secular things, the deepest and strongest characters need much solitude to form them. Even earthly greatness, much more moral and spiritual greatness, is never attained but as the result of much that is concealed from the world—of many a lonely and meditative hour. Thoughtfulness, self-knowledge, self-control, a chastened wisdom and piety, are the fruit of habitual meditation and prayer. In these exercises Heaven is brought near, and our exaggerated estimate of earthly things corrected.

### PRAY ALWAYS.

The Heavens are not open to the believer's call only at intervals. The grace of God's Holy Spirit falls not like the fertilising shower, only now and then; or like the dew on the earth's face, only at morning and night. At all times on the uplifted face of the believer's spirit the gracious element is ready to descend. Pray always; pray without ceasing. When difficulties arise, delay not to seek and obtain at once the succour you need.

### HARMONY.

The planets in the heavens have a twofold motion, in their orbits and on their axis,—the one motion not interfering, but carried on simultaneously, and in perfect harmony with the other: so must it be that man's two-fold activities—round the heavenly and the earthly centre, disturb not, nor jar with, each other. He who diligently discharges the duties of the earthly may at the same moment fulfil those of the heavenly sphere; at once "diligent in business," and "fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

### CATHOLIC CHURCH.

A Church to be Catholic in its devotional life as in its general spirit, must incorporate and develop within itself all characters of worship, all phases of divine service, all forms of ritual, which have been originated in each of the separate branches of the general church; inasmuch as each must have been an expression of devotion from the human soul, and each have answered to its special need at some particular period of its religious growth or upward development.

### PUBLIC WORSHIP.

No one neglects the institutions of public worship or the ordinances of religion without being in danger of losing that spirituality which, regarding his absence from the house of prayer and praise in the best possible point of view, he is endeavouring after. Many have thought that they could do without this or that ordinance: some that they could dispense with public worship; and among these there have been who have discovered their mistake, and who have found that the temptations of the world were all too powerful for them, and that the ordinances of religion were really means of grace and largely required by the