

### Tennyson's Beacon.

A beautiful beacon has been erected on Freshwater Down in memory of our Lord Tennyson, the great poet. This was his favourite walk, and his friends thought that a fitting memorial of him would be the erection of this beautiful Cornish granite Iona cross, which will also serve as a landmark to passing ships. It will be marked as "Tennyson Beacon" on all Government charts and will be taken in charge by Trinity House and the Board of Trade. The Archbishop of Canterbury unveiled the cross.

It bears this inscription on the shaft: "In memory of Alfred Lord Tennyson, this cross is raised as a beacon to sailors by the people of Freshwater and other friends in England and America."

The beacon stands 500ft. above the sea level, is itself 32ft. high, while the cross is 24ft.

We want a religion that goes into the family, and keeps the husband from being spiteful when dinner is late, and keeps the dinner from being late; keeps the wife from fretting when the husband tracks the newly-washed floor with his muddy boots, and makes the husband mindful of the scrapper and the door-mat; keeps the mother patient when the baby is cross; amuses the children as well as instructs them—wins as well as governs, cares for the servants as well as pays them promptly.

### Burying Crosses in little Coffins.

The good people of the Island of Ushant, near which the "Drummond Castle" went down, have a curious and pathetic custom when

some one of their number is drowned at sea. When all hope of finding the body has gone, a small white cross is placed in a miniature coffin, a funeral ceremony takes place, and the coffin is finally left in the church in hope of the day when the sea shall give up its dead. The church is nearly full of these pathetic memorials.

### Jewish Account of the Death of Moses.

When Moses, the faithful messenger of God, was to die, and his hour approached, the Lord assembled His servants and said; "It is time to recall the soul of My servant Moses. Who among you will go and summon him to My presence?" The princes of the angelic host, Michael and Gabriel, who stand before the throne of the Lord implored and said: "We are his pupils; he hath been our teacher; let us not have to summon the soul of this great man." And so said the other leaders of the host. But Zamael, chief of the rebellious angels, stood forth and said; "Behold, here am I; send me." And he went, arrayed in cruelty and wrath. But when he approached he beheld the face of Moses, whose eye was not dimmed nor his natural force abated.

The enemy of mankind stood abashed, his sword dropped from his hand, and he hurried away. "I cannot bring the soul of this righteous man," he said to the Lord, "for in him I found nothing impure or unholy." And the Lord Himself descended to summon the soul of His faithful beloved servant. Michael and Gabriel, attended by the hosts of angels that stand before Him, followed in His train. They prepared the bier for the departing prophet, and encircled it with reverence,

"For I," said the Lord, "will enter the mortal body."

The breath of the Most High touched the lips of Moses, and his soul departed at the touch. So Moses died in the face of the Lord Who Himself buried him, and no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.

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### C. OF E. INSTITUTE LADIES ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Association of the Church of England Institute, held Jan. 26th was well attended, the president, the Venerable Archdeacon Brigstocke, in the chair. The meeting opened with prayer and with a few remarks by the president on the growth of the association and the necessity for renewed efforts. The various committees reported Mrs. G. F. Smith for the finance committee. All the fees paid and a membership of 331. Mrs. Brigstocke reported weekly visits to the Hospital and the Flower Mission regular supplies of flowers to the patients. Mrs. Walker reported weekly services held at the jail and twenty boxes sent to country parishes at Christmas. The book committee has added 102 books to the library. The fancy work committee held an unusually bright and successful Easter sale, realizing \$331. The president had to retire before the close of the meeting.

Mrs. C. Fairweather, vice-president, took the chair. The following officers were elected: Mrs. George Schofield, vice-president; Miss Fanny Symonds, treasurer; Miss H. E. Peters, secretary; committee of management, Mrs. Starr, Mrs. G. F. Smith, Mrs. Chas. Fairweather, Miss Murray, Mrs. Holden, and Mrs. Fred Barker.