

evening, they made their way to the place, but found the crowd such that they could only press their way into one of the aisles. The discourse was a plain and earnest one, from the words of Christ to Peter, when they had dined on the shore of the lake. Towards the close the preacher appealed to the audience repeatedly, "Who of you can say, 'Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee?' 'Who?'" The deepest silence prevailed; but the heart of one of the sailors was full; he could not restrain himself, and, bursting out, he exclaimed in thrilling tones, "Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee." The congregation was melted to tears.—*White Cross.*

TREATMENT OF INSULTS.

Bryardaine, a missionary to Grenoble, was endeavouring to enforce the duty of forgiving our enemies, when he perceived that a large part of his audience consisted of troops then in garrison at that place. Anxious to embrace the occasion of denouncing the detestable practice of duelling, and perceiving that the attention of the military was strongly excited, he paused for a moment, and then said, "Perhaps there is among my hearers some high-spirited soldier, who burns as I speak to interrupt me, and to ask the humble missionary who now addresses you whether he can ever conceive how a man of honour feels when he has been outraged by a blow? I am prepared to answer him, and tell him I do know what those feelings are; and my knowledge is derived from a book that teaches all of us whatever it concerns all of us most to learn—from a book that describes the worst of all insults with an indignation at least equal to what modern honour can inspire. I have been taught by my Bible how a blow may be felt, and

how it should be resented. The Bible informs me that the Saviour of the world, without a murmur against His executioners, submitted to all that could embitter the agonies of death. Insulted, vilified, scourged, crucified—He uttered not a word! It was not until He received a blow that He condescended to open His mouth. And what said He then? Let the Bible tell us, and let the duellist, if he can, surpass the example. 'One of the officers that stood by struck Jesus with the palm of his hand, saying, Answerest Thou the High-priest, so? Jesus answered him, if I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil; but if well, why smitest thou Me!'"

A FORGIVING SPIRIT.

Louis XII. of France had many enemies before he ascended the throne. When he became king he caused a list to be made of his persecutors, and marked against each of their names a large black cross. When this became known, the enemies of the king fled, because they thought it was a sign that he intended to punish them. But the king, hearing of their fears, caused them to be recalled, with an assurance of freedom, and said that he had put a cross beside each name to remind him of the Cross of Christ, that he might endeavour to follow the example of Him who had prayed for His murderers, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."—*Children's Friend.*

FRUIT UNTO HOLINESS.

A minister, one day walking in the country, came to a barn where a thresher was busy at his work. He addressed him in the words of Solomon: "In all labour there is profit." Leaning upon his flail, and with much energy, the thresher answered, "Yes, sir, that is the truth; but there is one