

World of Missions.

Christianity's Coming Struggle.

We believe in the kingdom of the Lord Jesus. We believe that his gospel will prevail over all the world, and that one day his name will be adored from the rising to the setting of the sun. We hold this as an abiding conviction, because we believe that Jesus is the Son of God, vested with all power in heaven and in earth. We, therefore, rejoice in the success with which missionary work has been crowned and in the marvelous enlargement of the Church of Jesus Christ. We are strengthened in our assurance of final victory by a survey of what has been accomplished, but a study of the forces yet to be overcome brings us to an equally deep conviction that, perhaps, the most difficult work remains to be done, and that a struggle is near at hand which will require the enlistment of all the forces of Christianity.

It is easy to give a mathematical demonstration of the early conquest of the world; such calculations are good material for platform addresses. But we are in the world of moral forces, and, if wise, will make careful study of what we must meet. The faith of Jesus is steadily gaining ground in the rationalistic world. Paganism easily falls before the gospel of divine love, and the lowest worshippers of the gods have given wonderful proof of the power of the name of Jesus to make men whole. The Roman Catholic Church, for a long time the great barrier to the simple faith of Jesus, has felt the spirit of his kingdom and is undergoing great change. The wisdom of Confucius bows to the divine wisdom of Jesus. Buddhism, with its missionary spirit and five hundred adherents, is not a world religion, and therefore, will not be able to maintain itself even in its present territory. The Christian religion numbers multitudes of converts from its worship. But Mohammedanism stands an unseamed wall against missionary labor. We are in front of it, and have for many years been working among those about it, but, as against itself, but little has been accomplished.

The political power of Mohammedanism is rapidly waning. The sword of Islam that once filled the earth with terror has been broken, but the power of the prophet remains. There is much in the Mohammedan faith that commends it to the religious sentiment. It is far removed from paganism and has no national or race restrictions. It is well organized and confident. It is exclusive and self-contained. It has the elements of a world power, is aggressive and assured. It has a strong propaganda in America, with several thousand converts. British India has sixty millions who show no signs of weakness in their devotion. Central Asia, Persia, Arabia, Syria, Palestine, European Turkey, and a large part of Africa are almost wholly Mohammedan. The success of its propaganda in Africa is an exhibition of its power.

In our forward movement we have come face to face with this strong and most unrelenting enemy, and must prepare ourselves for the struggle. We believe the time is at hand, and that all the forces of our religion will be needed to meet the issue. When the crescent falls the whole world will rejoice and give praise unto the Lord—The United Presbyterian.

Don't brood over the past nor dream of the future; but seize the instant and get your lesson from the hour.

Health and Home Hints.

What to Serve for the Unexpected Guest.

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It is very seldom that the unlooked-for but welcome guest arrives at so early an hour as to necessitate a special breakfast. It is lunch, dinner or supper which the hostess must quickly plan for and provide with the air of unconcern, cordiality and hospitality which assures her guest that she is not causing trouble in the culinary domain. Room is, however, at a premium and we cannot do more, perhaps, than fill one good-sized shelf with such foods as will keep well and can be quickly prepared in cases of emergency.

Heading the list should be canned goods. First class brands should be chosen and if pressed for room two or three cans of a kind will be sufficient. Some good soups; fish such as salmon, lobster and sardines; meats—roast beef, lunch tongue, boned chicken, sliced bacon, potted and deviled ham; baked beans, peas, corn and other vegetables; fruits of various kinds. As a change of seasonings or flavorings frequently proves canned goods and is besides indispensable in the preparation of made over dishes a small stock should be in readiness—bay leaves, mace, curry powder, spices, Worcestershire, vanilla and other flavorings. A package or two of crackers or the various wafers and biscuit put up in small cartons will, in an emergency, supplement or take the place of bread. Cheese of some kind will help out a course; certain kinds, such as edam or pincapple, keep well and the ordinary store cheese when very dry can be grated and bottled. Relishes such as olives and pickles are important additions to a hasty lunch, while a combination of wafers, bar-le-due, marmalade or preserved ginger provides a satisfactory dessert.

The refrigerator or cold closet is naturally the first to be visited when catering in an emergency. The careful cook or housekeeper, knowing their value, puts aside all bits to be used for subsequent meals. Cold cereals are pressed into cups or molds to be later on sliced and fried or toasted; cooked meats are freed from bone, gristle and fat and covered to prevent drying out; if to be converted into a salad, vegetables such as peas, beets or cauliflower are freed from any dressing or sauce by a thorough rinsing in boiling water and are drained and covered. Lettuce, celery or other greens are sprinkled and kept crisp by wrapping in a thick cloth partly wrung out of cold water. A good rule which has few exceptions is to keep each food under separate cover.

The country housekeeper, even more than her city sister, has need of a reserve stock of canned goods. She usually has the advantage of a more abundant supply of eggs, milk and possibly cream. The latter, if thick enough to be whipped, can be the basis of many a delightful dessert; if thin it takes the place of a sauce for cold or hot puddings. Rich cakes keep well and pound or fruit cake can always be utilized. If for lunch or supper serve it sliced with canned or fresh fruit. For dinner pound or stale cup or even sponge cake can be cut into pieces of suitable size, each piece dipped in a little canned fruit juice or wine, laid on a saucer and covered with a few spoonfuls of thick whipped cream, thus giving a delightful cold dessert. Fruit cake can be cut into pieces and put in a steamer; ten minutes later it can be served as a hot fruit pudding with a hard or soft sauce.

Women's Ailments.

SUFFERING WHICH DOCTORS FAIL TO CURE.

THOUSANDS OF WOMEN THROUGHOUT CANADA IN A SIMILAR CONDITION—WORDS OF HOPE TO SUFFERERS.

In countless homes throughout Canada, where health and happiness should reign supreme, the peculiar weakness and diseases of women are responsible for an atmosphere of hopelessness and despair. This awful condition is largely due to a misunderstanding of the proper manner in which to effect a cure for female troubles of all kinds. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have been more successful in cases of this kind than any other medicine, and they should be in every home, and should be used by every woman who is not perfectly hearty and strong. Mrs. Fred Murphy, a well known resident of Publico Head, N. S., cheerfully bears testimony to the great value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in women's ailments. Mrs. Murphy says:—"A few years ago my health was completely broken down, my troubles beginning in one of the ailments which so frequently afflict my sex. I was a great sufferer from violent attacks of pain which would seize me in the stomach and around the heart. It is impossible for me to describe the agony of the spasms. Several times the doctor was hastily summoned, my friends thinking me dying. I was wholly unable to perform my household work, and was under medical treatment all through the summer but without benefit. My appetite left me; my heart would palpitate violently after the least exertion, and I was pale and emaciated. My husband urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and procured me a supply. After using the pills a couple of weeks, I could feel that they were helping me, and after using seven bottles, I was fully restored to health. From that time until the spring of 1901 I enjoyed the best of health, but at that time I felt run down, and suffered from pains in the back. I at once got some more of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and they soon put me alright, and I am now feeling better than I have done for years. I cannot praise these pills too much, nor can I too strongly urge those who are ailing to test their wonderful health restoring virtues."

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The United Presbyterian: What is the remedy for the chill of worldliness which has crept into our churches, and which is interfering with their work and worship? Nothing but the baptism of fire. When this burns brightly the Church will be revived, hearts will be warmed, hands will be strengthened and God will be glorified.