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PARLOR LECTURE.

HE last in the series of Parlor Lectures for this season was given on Tuesday evening by Mr. M. L. Rouse, M.R.A.C. His subject was, "Leaves." The lecture was refined and instructive. The attendance, owing to the inclement weather, was small.

NOON PRAYER MEETING.

HILE we have much cause for gratitude to God for blessing on the Noon Prayer Meeting, we have at the same time abundant cause for humiliation on account of the numbers

of those who meet for prayer being so small in relation to the population of our city. This opportunity to meet for quiet meditation and prayer in the midst of the busy cares and excitement of the day ought surely to meet a felt want, and be taken advantage of more largely in a great commercial city like ours, and in times when the "cares and riches and pleasures" of this life are becoming more and more ensnaring.

At one of the meetings last week a working man rose and said "that he specially thanked God when he was sent out to work in this part of the city, for then he had the privilege during his dinner hour of attrnding this meeting, and he was always sure to receive a blessing." If he was so willing to give up a portion of his dinner hour for this purpose, surely there are many of va who might deny ourselves a little, that we, too, may participate in the promised blessing.

The very hairs of your head are all numbered. Luke xii. 7.