

Tactical Methods.

THE recent death of Mrs. Ellen C. Johnson, superintendent of the Woman's Prison at Sherborn, Mass., recalls an incident in illustration of her tactical methods of discipline. Among the prisoners at one time was a woman who resisted every appeal to her better nature. Presently a calf was born on the farm and Mrs. Johnson placed the little creature in the care of the incorrigible prisoner. Somehow it awakened her maternal instincts, and she promised to do whatever was asked of her, but the calf should not be taken away. She became one of the best dairy women in the institution, and after she left filled a responsible position elsewhere in dairy service. Mrs. Johnson was wonderfully fertile in using animals as a moral fulcrum. Another woman was reclaimed by her interest in rearing chickens. Another, violent and passionate, was subdued by the culture of silk worms.—*The Congregationalist*.

Bank Notes in a Bible.

A pleasant surprise befell a family in East Dulwich, England. Among a parcel of books recently purchased at a local auction was an old family Bible, several of whose leaves were pasted together. On opening these no fewer than six £5 Bank of England notes were found within. On the back of one of these the following was written, "I have had to work very hard for this, and having none as natural heirs, I leave thee, dear reader, whosoever shall own this holy Book, my lawful heir." If such a find awaited every Bible student, the International Bible Reading Association would have its million readers to-morrow; and by the end of the week its tens of millions.

Progressive and Successful.

The fact that the Central Business College, so well located in the Forum, has found it necessary to materially increase its hitherto spacious accommodation by adding to its premises the large hall, formerly occupied by the A. O. U. W. and other societies, and the apartments so long held by the Dorcas Society of the Church of England, is quite sufficient evidence that this progressive school is enjoying a prosperous and successful term. On the staff are nine regular teachers, while the equipment, including over 40 typewriting machines, is up to date in every particular. The work of this school is practical and thorough, and that business men look largely to this College for such clerical assistance as they require is probably best shown by the numerous applications on file at the College Office, which during the past three days include the firms of John Catto & Son, Bertram Engine Co., Chemical Compound Co., The Miln-Bingham Co., R. S. Williams & Son, The Metropolitan Life Ins. Co., and The Dominion Express Co.

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