

The Poet's Corner.

Baby's Curl. I found to-day amid some treasured things - Kept long with loving care...

Thinking that the frequent occurrence of the number seven in both sacred and profane usage would not prove altogether uninteresting to the readers of the Methodist, I send you the following...

There are seven days in creation, seven spirits before the throne of God, seven days in a week, seven ages in the life of man, and the just fall seven times a day.

SEVEN BODIES IN ALCHEMY.—Sun is gold, Moon is silver, Mars iron, Mercury quicksilver, Saturn lead, Jupiter tin, and Venus copper.

SEVEN CHAMPIONS OF CHRISTENDOM.—1. St. George, of England, was seven years imprisoned by the Almirder, the black king of Morocco.

SEVEN CHURCHES OF ASIA.—1. Ephesus, founded by St. Paul, 57, A.D. 2. Smyrna, still an important sea port.

SEVEN DAYS' WAR.—The great conflict for German supremacy, between Prussia and Italy on one side and Austria on the other, in the spring of 1866.

SEVEN MONTHS' WAR.—This was the late Franco-Prussian conflict of 1870.

SEVEN DIALS, (LONDON).—A column raised in, stood at the ancient limits of St. Giles, and seven dials were affixed to it facing the seven streets which radiated from that centre.

SEVEN SORROWS OF THE VIRGIN.—Simeon's prophecy, the flight into Egypt, Christ's mission, the Betrayal, the Crucifixion, the taking down from the cross and the Ascension, when she was left alone.

SEVEN JOYS OF THE VIRGIN.—The Annunciation, Visitation, Nativity, Adoration of the Magi, Presentation in the Temple, finding Christ among the Doctors, and the Assumption.

SEVEN WISE MEN OF GREECE.—1. Socrates, of Athens, whose motto was 'Know Thyself.' 2. Chilo, of Sparta, 'Consider the End.' 3. Thales, of Miletus, 'Who Hath Suretyship is Sure.'

SEVEN SENSES.—According to very ancient teaching, the soul of man, or his inward holy body, is compounded of seven properties which are under the influence of the seven planets.

SEVEN SLEEPERS.—Seven noble youths of Ephesus, who fled from the Decian persecution to the cave in Mount Celian. After two hundred and thirty years they awoke but soon died, and their remains were taken to Marseilles in a large stone coffin, still shown in Victor's Church.

SEVEN WONDERS OF ANTIQUITY.—1. The Pyramids of Egypt. 2. Hanging Gardens of Babylon. 3. The Tomb of Mausoleus. 4. The Temple of Diana at Ephesus. 5. The Colosseum at Rhodes. 6. The Statue of Jupiter. 7. The Pharos of Egypt.

SEVEN WONDERS OF THE MIDDLE AGES.—1. Coliseum at Rome. 2. The coasts of Alexandria. 3. The Great Wall of China. 4. Stone Henge. 5. The Leaning Tower at Pisa. 6. The Porcelain Tower of Nankin. 7. The Mosque of St. Sophia at Constantinople.

An observant person has noticed that the name of some great benefactor upon a child frequently inclines its new possessor to follow in the footsteps of its illustrious namesake, and he presents the name of Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock as one of several illustrations confirming his theory.

George Washington Jones hurried off to Canada to see his Uncle Silas when a draft was ordered a score of years ago, and he is now an active member of the American Peace Society.

Horace Greeley Tompkins is the proprietor of a grain mill, thinks the Emancipation Proclamation was a national error, and all he knows about farming is ejecting "dead beats" from his saloon.

Robert Burns Smythe drives a street car, and abhors poetry.

Daniel Webster Wilkins parts his hair in the middle, wears a single barreled eye-glass, and a shallow crowned hat, and interperates his conversation with a proterality of "aw."

Miss Mary Walker Delancy was the most fashionably and expensively attired young lady at Saratoga last summer.

Mr. John O'Donohoe has built himself up by abusing Orangemen and Orangemen. Mr. Mackenzie Bowell has won distinction by leading a crusade against the Catholic Church.

Some irresponsible individual would be prevailed upon to fire at or otherwise assault a representative Orangeman or Irish Catholic on or about the twelfth of July. Bad blood was aroused; a riot would follow; and the authorities, in order to preserve the peace, might be obliged to call out the military, and for this act of simple duty they would be denounced by both sides.

Mr. White, late proprietor of the Mansion Saloon, King Street, Toronto, writes as follows about Dr. Carson's Stomach and Constipation Bitters: "I have used Dr. Carson's Stomach Bitters for nearly two years, and I believe it to be the best medicine in the world."

And Mr. Langtry tells his comradly readers that "Marmion," though a fiction, is founded on historic truth, and that crimes such as are recorded there were of frequent occurrence in the middle ages, so that, practically, "Marmion," is a true history, and must be accepted as such by its readers; and Catholics will be present in school while Protestants read this true history of the crimes of Catholics in past centuries.

"MARMION."

Rev. Father Stafford's Opinion on the Subject. To the Editor of THE SIGNAL.

Sir,—The Rev. Mr. Laing, of Dundas, is in error when he speaks of the high schools and collegiate institutes as "Protestant." They are no more Protestant than they are Catholic, and no more Catholic than they are Protestant.

Those institutions being nonsectarian and supported alike by all denominations, must be maintained on a footing of equality, and must be equally acceptable to all denominations.

It is not correct for Mr. Laing to say we (Roman Catholics) teach our religion as we please in the separate schools.

It is not correct to say we object to Protestants having children taught Protestantism in non-Catholic Schools.

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Each day after the reading by Protestants of this true history of Catholic crime, let the Catholics read a chapter of the penal laws of Ireland, by the great Protestant historian and statesman, the great Edmund Burke.

Thousands are being cured of Catarrh every year with Hall's Catarrh Cure, that the doctors had given up and said could not be cured. 75c a bottle. Sold by George Rhynas, sole agent for Goderich.

The death of Lady Smith, relict of the late Sir Henry Smith, M. P., at one time Solicitor-General for Upper Canada, and subsequently Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, is announced at Kingston.

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From N. Flummar, M. D., Auburn, N. Y. "Although adverse to countenancing patent medicines, I cheerfully make an exception of your very excellent lung preparation—Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry."

The three wings of the Liberal party in Germany have agreed to sink their differences and unite all their forces against the military party, at the head of which is Bismarck.

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