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Our Magazine.

OWING to the large amount of matter on hand, the usual columns of advertisements were omitted from the February number. If our Subscription List were only large enough, and our Subscribers punctual enough in their payments, this might be done altogether. We are not particularly fond of taking up space by advertisements, but this is necessary, just now, as a source of income. We would much rather the room were taken up with more profitable reading, but for the present this cannot be.

This month we give another Paper on "Mis-Readings of Scripture." In these Papers is a large amount of most useful information on many passages of Scripture, and both Clergy and people will derive benefit from a careful study of them.

An Introduction to a Series of Articles on "Infant Baptism" appears this month. Infant Baptism is a subject which the Church must ever keep in the foreground. If our children were all baptized, and Sponsors, Parents and Clergy did their duty, we should not so often have to mourn over the loss of those who ought to be a source of comfort and strength instead of sorrow and weakness. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

The Editors hope to be able to find room in the next month's issue for a "Children's Corner," in which, from time to time, questions will appear on Scripture and Church History, and other subjects, for the best answers to which Prizes will be given.

Mis-Readings of Scripture.

III.

THE ancient custom of writing words without much (if any) division between them, and without any punctuation, must have been a help to good reading. None then would have dared to have read in public without reading over the passage beforehand. But English requires some little help, as there are too few inflections of words; and stops and paragraphs have helped to make reading an easy matter. At the same time stops wrongly placed confuse the meaning so much that in legal documents, as a rule, stops are avoided as much as possible. To a public reader of Scripture we must say over and over again, read the lesson over beforehand, if possible to your wife, and let her tell you what meaning she attaches to your reading. The man who read "they found Mary and Joseph and the Babe, lying in a manger," would have benefitted by a previous criticism that a manger was scant

