

Hudspeth, in which time they purchased the beautiful windows and gas fixtures for the new St. Paul's then being built. We are sorry to say that Mrs. Hudspeth was not permitted to see the new church building here, as at about that time she was called to a more glorious church above. Her death was felt very keenly by the class as well as by many in the town.

ATTENDING CHURCH.

You attend church. Have you ever stopped to think why?

Is it because you have formed the habit of doing so? Or is it because other people go? Then you may be sure you are not in condition to receive large benefit from the services of God's house. In going to church we usually receive what we go for. If we go to worship the service will be a benediction to us. The songs will inspire, the prayers will uplift, and the sermon will be primed with instruction and inspiration. Nearly everything depends upon our motives and the measure of our preparation. The bee extracts honey from every flower, though some varieties yield more than others. Honey is what the bee is after. If we go to church to meet God we shall meet Him. If we go to be entertained, to while away an hour in a pleasant, respectable way, to see and be seen, we shall come home with barren hearts, and our attendance will be a bane rather than a blessing

The Surprised Mohammedan.

On one occasion, travelling in the Barbary states with a companion who possessed some knowledge of medicine, we had arrived at a door near which we were about to pitch our tents, when a crowd of Arabs surrounded us, cursing and swearing at the "rebellers against God." My friend, who spoke a little Arabic, turning round to an elderly person, whose garb bespoke him a priest, said:

"Who taught you that we were disbelievers? Hear my daily prayer, and judge for yourselves."

"May God curse me if ever I curse again those who hold such belief! Nay, more, that prayer shall be my prayer till my hour be come. I pray thee, O Nazarene, repeat the prayer, that it may be remembered and written among us in letters of gold."—Hay's "Western Barbary."

KINDNESS.

More hearts pine away in secret anguish for the want of kindness from those who should be their comforters than any other calamity in life. A word of kindness is a seed which springs up a flower. A kind word and a pleasant voice are gifts easy to give. Be liberal with them. They are worth more than money. If a word or two will render a man happy, said a Frenchman, he must be a wretch, indeed, who will not give it. Kindness is stored away in the heart like rose leaves in a drawer, to sweeten every object around them. Little drops of rain brighten the meadows and little acts of kindness brighten the world.

We can conceive of nothing more attractive than the heart when filled with the spirit of kindness. Certainly nothing embellishes human nature as the practice of this virtue: a sentiment so genial and so excellent ought to be emblazoned upon every thought and act of our lives. The principle underlies the whole theory of Christianity, and in no other person do we find it more happily exemplified than in the life of our Saviour, who, while on earth, "went about doing good." And how true it is that

"A little word in kindness spoken,
A motion, or a tear,
Has often healed the heart that's broken,
Ane made a friend sincere."

—[*Algoma Missionary News.*]

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which must be done whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance and self control, diligence and strength of will, cheerfulness and content, and a hundred virtues which the idle never know.—*Charles Kingsley.*

"The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." Thomas Brookes, the old Puritan divine, says—"If you only have candle light, bless God for it, and He will give you starlight. When you have starlight, praise God for it, and He will give you moonlight; rejoice in it and He will give you sunlight. And when you have got sunlight, praise Him still more, and He will make the light of your sun as the light of seven days, for the Lord Himself shall be the light of your spirit."—*Episcopal Record.*