

gard is essentially sinful. It becomes the duty of every man who recognizes the authority of God in the State to have a care that, so far as he is concerned, the laws shall be properly enforced. To be conscious of the violation of law and to make no effort for the punishment of the evil-doer is to connive at such violation.

A call to the ministry does not lift a man out of the sphere of obligation as a citizen, whether it be the obligation of obedience or that of the execution of law, so far as that is in his power. Indeed, it seems to us that a call to the service of the ministry but intensifies his obligation. By his example in all the relations of life he should encourage others to the complete fulfilment of all their obligations. He should be pre-eminently a man of deeds as well as of faith. However he may shrink from encountering the opprobrium that is almost sure to result from his setting himself against evils that have entrenched themselves behind the almost universal indifference of his fellow-citizens, still he is under obligation to do his very utmost, by word and deed, to secure their extirpation. It is because Dr. Parkhurst has done this; because, seeing the universal apathy of those who should have saved him the neces-

sity of doing this, and the criminal connivance of the officers of the law with that which they are sworn to suppress, he has gone forward and secured the evidence that was necessary in order to accomplish the enforcement of existing law, we bid him Godspeed. If, for the protection of the purity and integrity of those who are entrusted to his pastoral care and for the honor of the municipality of which he is a member, he has sought evidence in the only way in which evidence could be secured, we believe him perfectly justified. If as one of the only sovereigns known in this land—the people—he has proved himself a terror to evil-doers he has done well. When Elijah sought for evidence against the priests of Baal, who were not only enemies of the religion but of the political interests of the Jewish nation, he saw nothing wrong in furnishing the instruments for their self-conviction and leading them on to their own destruction. Nor do we. The evidence was quickly forthcoming, and the doers of evil were routed. Most heartily do we trust that this will be the result of the work of this modern follower of the prophet of old, and that all the people who love that which is pure and honest and of good report will say to him, Well done!

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A Correction.

THE writer of the article "Imago Dei," in the April number of the *HOMILETIC*, was stated to be the Right Rev. Robert Balgarnie, D.D. Dr. Balgarnie, while not a bishop of the Established Church of England, is a bishop of the Presbyterian Church of that land, and is therefore rightly reverend, if not a Right Reverend. Our chief error was in locating him at Auckland. His bishopric is at Bishop Auckland, England.

Bible Study for 1892-93.

It has been the custom of the American Institute of Sacred Literature, for the past two years, to offer a general examination upon a biblical subject of current interest. The examination, for which preparation will be made in 1892, will take place January 10th, 1893. This examination will be open to individuals or groups of persons in all parts of the world.

The subject of this examination will

be the "Founding of the Christian Church," as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, the Epistles, and the Revelation. The examination of 1893 will cover but half this topic, closing with Acts xv. 35.

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The American Institute of Christian Philosophy.

THE sixteenth Summer School of this well-known Institute will hold its sessions this year at Prohibition Park, West New Brighton, S. I. A most interesting programme has been prepared, including among other things the discussion of problems in Applied Christianity. The sessions will begin on July 12th, at 11 A.M., and will last ten days. Those of our readers who can spare the time to attend will find it greatly to their advantage to do so. To members of the Institute the exercises are free. To others the price of admission is 50 cents to each lecture, except on Sunday.