

An Efectual Remedy.

Rev. Mr. Adams, of Leominster, was an eccentric character. A neighbouring minister, a mild, inoffensive man, with whom he was about to exchange, said to him, knowing the extreme bluntness of his character, "You will find some panes of glass broken in the pulpit window, and possibly you may suffer from the cold. The cushion too, is in a bad condition; but I beg of you, not to say any thing to my people on the subject; they are poor," etc.

"O, no; O, no," said Mr. Adams. But ere he left home, he filled a bag with rags, and took it with him.

When he had been in the pulpit a short time, feeling somewhat incommoded by the too free circulation of air, he deliberately took from the bag a handful or two of rags and stuffed them into the window. Towards the close of his discourse, which was more or less upon the duties of a people towards their clergyman, he became very animated, and purposely brought down both fists with a tremendous force upon the pulpit cushion. The feathers flew in all directions, and the cushion was pretty much used up.

He instantly checked the current of his thought, and simply exclaiming, "Why, how these feathers fly!" proceeded with his sermon.

He had fulfilled his promise of not addressing the society on the subject, but had taught them a lesson not to be misunderstood. On the next Sabbath the window and cushion were found in excellent repair.

Where the wicked perish, the righteous increase.

Official Announcements.

BRUCE.—At Kincardine, on 29th December, at 2 o'clock.

MONTREAL.—In Presbyterian College, Montreal, on the fourth Wednesday of January next.

HAMILTON.—In the McNamee Street Presbyterian Church, on the second Tuesday of January next.

KENYON.—At Belleville, on the second Tuesday of January, 1875, at 10 a.m.

GURLEY.—At Knox Church, Galt, on the second Tuesday of January, 1875, at 9 a.m.

CHATHAM.—In Wellington St Church, Chatham on Tuesday 5th January, 1875, at 11 o'clock a.m.

COBURN.—At Peterboro', on the second Tuesday of January, 1875, at 11 o'clock a.m.

OTTAWA.—In Daily Street Ottawa, on the first Tuesday in February, at 3 p.m.

SIMCOE.—The next meeting of the Presbytery of Simcoe will be held at Barrie, on Tuesday February, at 11 a.m.

ADDRESSES OF TREASURERS OF CHURCH FUNDS.

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