IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

CHURCH NOTES

FOR BUSY MEN.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

Wise Counsel

In connection with the anniversary of his fiftieth year in the ministry, the Pope issued a letter to the priests of the Church throughout the world, which contains the following weighty counsel on the duty of religious meditation: "There is no priest who can omit this without . . . harm to his own soul. . . There are some who . . excuse themselves, offering as a reason that they are given entirely to . . . the advantage of others. They are miserably deceived. For unaccustomed to speak with God they lack the Divine fire when they speak with men about Him . . . so that the Gospel message seems to be lifeless to them."

Clippings

The Pope has categorically forbidden his clergy to attend any of the instructions given in any of the University classes. Cardinal Gibbons carried a gift of $200,000 to the Pope, on his last visit to Rome.

The Pope still confers fitting titles on worthy men and women in the United States. Mrs. Hugh McLaughlin, widow of an eminent "boss" of Brooklyn, is now a papal Marchioness. The Countess O'Leary and the Marquis, and Marchioness Maloney enjoy sonorous titles.

THE ANGLICAN.

Preposteroas

Speaking of the refusal of the Bishop of Stepney to accept the position of Bishop of Montreal, made vacant by the death of Bishop Carmichael, Archbishop Sweatman, of Toronto, said: "They might have been more modest. I received a letter from the Archbishop of Canterbury, who said they might secure a strong man by going across the water," he added, "but it is preposterous to expect one of the most outstanding figures in the Anglican Church in the world to come out here."

For the Poor

A proposal is being made to erect a church largely for the poor in some district in the diocese of Montreal, in commemoration of the late Bishop Carmichael, who was one of the most loved bishops in the Anglican Church in Canada.

Archbishop of York

The Most Rev. Dr. Maclagan, Archbishop of York, aged 82 years, has resigned on account of ill health. Dr. Maclagan served in the Indian army for some time before taking holy orders, and it is over half a century since he was ordained. At the recommendation of the late Lord Beaconsfield he was made Bishop of Lichfield, and he has held his present eminent position since 1891. His Grace is a tireless worker, and a brilliant French scholar, and he still maintains his early interest in everything to do with the army. Dr. Maclagan is very popular with the King, and it will be remembered that it was he who performed the ceremony of crowning Queen Alexandra.

THE PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. Dr. Fotheringham

Citizens of this city will read with much interest the following from the Presbyterian Witness, of the 24th ult.:

Dr. Fotheringham with his family have migrated to California. His departure from amongst us makes a notable blank. He gave his life to the service of the Church in Canada, and served her with consuming zeal and industry. It is not to be denied, it is not to be hidden or forgiven that his self-sacrificing labors have not been well compensated from a material point of view. He is an accomplished scholar, a skillful writer, and edifying preacher, and he started Sunday school publications for the benefit of the Church that will prove of permanent value. We are sorry to say that notwithstanding the kindness and good wishes of many appreciative friends, Dr. Fotheringham leaves Canada with but small provision for a "rainy day." It is well to follow him with our good wishes, but a man who has placed all our people under obligation from East to West—a man whose name is a household one in our Sabbath schools ought not to be forgotten.

The revised Japanese hymnal, prepared by a Presbyterian missionary, has now reached a circulation of 190,000 copies. It is the most popular book in Japan.

THE BAPTISTS.

Something New

The Tribune has received the following despatch from Boston:—The Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, pastor of the Warren Avenue Baptist Church, announced at the service Sunday that he would never again marry a consumptive, and that he would at the next district meeting ask the church authorities to prohibit a marriage where one of the parties was a consumptive.

"I am taking that step," he said, "because I do not want to stand before my God as a murderer. The marriage of an uninfected person with one suffering from the great white plague means that both inevitably will have the disease.

Saul Among the Prophets

John Craig, who impersonated "The Devil," at Castle Square Theatre, Boston, recently addressed the Ministerical Association of that city on "What an Actor Expects When He Goes to Church." A writer in the Maritime Baptist makes this comment:

Mr. Craig presented his subject well from an actor's standpoint; but confessed that the majority of theatrical plays were "bad." He also confessed that very few actors ever went to church.

Many of us felt that the inviting of such a man to address a ministerial gathering was a great mistake. Several "protests" have appeared in the 'Watchman;' as also a strong condemnatory editorial. Christianity gains nothing from the theatre. According to Mr. Craig himself the bad overbalances the good. As Dr. Merriam says in his excellent editorial "In all ages of the world the theatre has been the foe of morality and religion, and more so today then ever before."

THE METHODISTS

Among the Foreigners

At the annual meeting of the General Board of Missions, recently held in Vancouver, B. C., the following grants were made for work among the foreigners who have settled in Canada. To the Italian Mission in Toronto, $1,000; to the Italian Mission in Montreal, $600; to the Scandinavian work in British Columbia, $850; to the Gallician work at Pakan, $1,360; to the All Peoples' Mission in Winnipeg, $3,860; and to the French work $8,779.

For Domestic Missions

The three conferences of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Newfoundland have had allotted to them for the assistance of their weaker charges the sums respectively of $14,695; $11,628, $21,190.

Obeying the Call

The British Wesleyan Church this year sends over 100 missionaries to the foreign field, a few of whom are returning after a season of rest. Over 50 of the number recently attended a valedictory service in City Road chapel, which is spoken of as one of unusual interest.

How should war be regarded? What are its effects? What special evils attach to civil war? Who brought about the rebellion here spoken of, and what was its object? Who took David's side in the struggles? What section of David's army is of special interest to Canadians? What strange order was issued on the eve of battle, and by whom, to whom, and for what purpose? Tell how the two messengers told the same story, and why so differently. How did David receive the news of victory? Did Joab act wisely? About whom may David's question be still asked, and by whom?

SATURDAY SERMONETTE

STAYING POWER.

That is a 'horsey' phrase, and if it has found its way into pulpit and drawing room, it was born in a stable.

A horse that could not be whipped or spurred around a muddy track and win the race when he was tired out had no "staying power," and was not worth much.

Some horses can run or trot very fast for short distances, but as they have no staying power they are no good for long distance racing.

That is the story of a great many men, and especially true of some clergymen, and authors, and newspaper men.

The young man who was candidating for the vacant pulpit was so "pretty" and well groomed and trotted around the track so gracefully and made such fast time he took the congregation (especially the spinster part of it) by storm.

They "called" him, but after three or six months they were sorry they had, for he used up the few sermons he had and did not know how to make any more (and was too honest to steal them), so the church found out he was a "quitter," and not a "stayer."

It is true of a great many writers. They have little versatility, and when they have written their little essay go on repeating it—with variations—until they die or get discharged.

Many authors have the same lack of "staying quality." They write one book and you want to see the next one, you were so taken with the first, but you found that the author delivered his one message and had no other.

There are men in newspaper offices who can write a few readable articles, and then when they have exhausted their capital write such billingsgate that you have to burn the vile sheets for fear the children would see them.

The tons of filth that was sent out from newspaper offices during the last election campaign was enough to besmirch the country.

The real reason why so much that was written was simply abuse and bare faced lying was because the writers had exhausted their knowledge and used up their grey matter.

They had no staying power, and when they had no "case" abused the attorney for the defense.

From the east to the west men are continually moving and in the west they are going still farther west.

In any of our cities there are desirable residences for sale, and if the men who are continually moving had homes in Eden they would want to sell them and get away some where else, for they have no staying power.

Go in the best farming country in the world and you will find farms for sale, and the men who farmed them are not dead, they are simply restless and want to get away, they have no "staying power."

But there are two classes who have staying power and enough to spare the other fellows who have none.

The young fellows who call on their girls as often as they can, and stay as long as they dare.

The "old man" winds the clock and puts out the cat and goes yawning to bed, and yet the young man does not take the hint. After a while (a good long while), she yawns as politely and yet as conspicuously as she can, and yet that young man does not go, for he has "staying power."

The minister I know best, has staying power. He will stay at his text and sermon and I yawn and nod, but he cannot stop, he has such wonderful staying power.

And I learn from all this that staying power is sometimes a good quality and sometimes a bad one.

Thaddeus

CATHOLIC MISSION MOST SUCCESSFUL

Rev. Father Ferdinand, of the Capuchin Order, Preached at Rexton

SONS OF TEMPERANCE

REXTON, N. B., Nov., 6.—The mission which was held in the Catholic Church here from Thursday of last week until Monday morning, was most successful Rev. Fr. Ferdinand of the Capuchin order was the preacher and although the weather was unfavorable, large numbers attended all the services. The fathers are conducting missions at South Branch and Ste. Anne at present.

The funeral of Little Miss Ruth McDonald was held on Saturday afternoon, and was largely attended. The services at the house and grave were conducted by Rev. A. D. Archibald and the remains were interred in St. Andrew's cemetery. D. A. McDonald arrived home on Friday from Bartibogue to attend the funeral of his little daughter.

Miss Jean C. Jardine returned on Friday from a visit to friends in Saint John.

Miss Margaret Carter of Buctouche is recovering from her illness.

John Keswick of Buctouche has gone to Rumford Falls, Maine, where he has accepted a position.

Gordon Bowser of this town, who has been accountant of the Royal Bank of Canada at Moncton for some time, has been transferred to the head office at Montreal.

Mrs. John Arseneau left for Maine on Monday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Fournier.

George Wicks, who has been head miller in J. D. Irving's mill at Buctouche for some time, has gone to Fort William, Ontario, where he has accepted a position. His place in Mr. Irving's mill has been taken by Ambrose Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmertz and family, who spent the summer at their summer home in Buctouche, have gone to Atlantic City to spend the winter.

J. Wise of Buctouche has sold his fast horse to Mr. Copp of the Kent Hotel at Richibucto.

Mrs. H. Murray of Buctouche, who has been visiting friends here, has returned to her home.

Thornburn Bowser has gone to Montreal to receive treatment for a diseased bone in one of his limbs. The doctors have located the trouble by means of the X-rays and an operation will be performed.

Miss Augusta de Olloqui, who spent the summer at her home here, returned to New York a few days ago.

The Sons of Temperance Lodge, which was organized here a short time ago, has now a membership of 53. Wednesday evening a number of the members paid a fraternal visit to the Richibucto Division. The visitors were well entertained. Among those who went to Richibucto were: Rev. A D. and Mrs. Archibald, Capt. George and Mrs. Irving, Mrs. George Scott, Misses Kate Doherty, Bella Palmer, Helen Carson, Sadie Call, Lillian McLelland, Ethel Smith, Alice McWilliams, Greta Curran, Edith Scott, Messrs. R. Donahoe, R. Kennedy, R. Harding, R. Scott, J. Warman and E. Walker.

The death occurred at his home at Ford's Mills, Wednesday night, of Joseph Call, after a lingering illness. Mr. Call, who was 76 years of age, is survived by a widow, who was a Miss Farrer, one son, William Call, of Ford's Mills, and five daughters, who are Mrs. William Irving of Mundleville, Mrs. Whitney of Pine Ridge, Mrs. Wm. McWilliams of Ford's Mills, and Mrs. Frank Graham and Mrs. Howard Lawson of Main river. The remains will be interred at West Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Hebert went to St. John on Wednesday. Mr. Hebert will return home in a few days and Mrs. Hebert will spend two or three weeks visiting friends in Moncton, Memramcook and Shediac.

DANGER FROM SPRINGS.

In the summer, when so many thousands drink from tempting springs in the woods and on hillsides, a warning recently given by Mons. E. A. Martel, the celebrated French explorer of caverns, should not go unnoticed. Contrary to a widely prevalent opinion, Monsieur Martel says that springs of apparently pure water are, in many cases, merely the outflow of surface waters which have disappeared through fissures, carrying with them pollution from the soil and not purified in their passage through the rocks. He thinks that even chalk is not an effectual filter for surface water passing through it.

DRINK WHEN IT'S OFFERED

Mr. McIntyre Makes Caustic Comment

REFERS TO PETITIONS

Says Good Many Signers Take a Drink When They Get It Free

The announcement made in The Sun on Saturday to the effect that the temperance people at a meeting held in St. David's church had inaugurated a systematic campaign to oust the saloon from St. John created no end of talk on the streets, particularly among the liquor interests.

The business-like air with which the temperance people are going about their work this time makes it look as if there was more chance of accomplishing something more definite than has been done in the past. They cannot be expected to accomplish their end without much hard work as to banish the saloons the temperance cause must be supported not merely by a majority of those voting but at least one-half of the number of those on the list must vote against the dispensaries of the grape juice.

To accomplish this the temperance workers are starting out in a systematic manner to canvass every voter in the ward. None but voters whose names appear on the provinical lists will be approached or allowed to sign the petitions.

The workers are hopeful of getting the required number of names and also of getting the votes they want next spring.

The temperance people are not saying much but they intimate that while there's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip, that nevertheless the cup and lip will probably not have the same opportunity to connect with each other in Dukes' ward after the ballot next spring that they now have.

The dark lantern methods of the temperance people are receiving some comment. The matter was discussed in more than one pulpit a week ago, and their proposed meeting was the subject of discussion around town during the week. When the meeting was held it was in the public Sunday school room of a church. Yet in spite of this a pastor remarked from his pulpit yesterday morning that it was only through a breach of confidence that the matter had reached the newspapers.

William McIntyre, of McIntyre & Comeau, when asked what the opinion of the liquor dealers was regarding the campaign started by the temperance people last week, declined to make any statement. Mr. McIntyre said, however, that the majority of petitions were signed by school children and by people who would be very glad to take a drink if they could get it free.

STILL GAMBLING ON MISS ELKINS' CHANCES

Betting is Now Ten to Three That the Duke Will Marry Her

TURIN, Nov. 8.—The Duke of the Abruzzi, in conversation today, jokingly said that he would not go to the United States, nor on a cruise, on the battleship Regina Helena, which, therefore, would not be under his command on her next voyage. This confirms the official statement that the duke will not again take command until after his promotion as rear admiral.

One of the duke's intimate friends said today that seven chances out of ten were favorable to the marriage of the duke to Miss Elkins, but there were three still against it.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES HELD IN CENTENARY CHURCH SUNDAY

Rev. Dr. Flanders Preaches Eloquent Sermons at Both Services—Special Music—The Children Assisted—Continues Until Wednesday

The anniversary services of Centenary church attracted large congregations yesterday. The pastor, Dr. C. R. Flanders, preached at both services and special music proved a very attractive feature both in the morning and evening.

The musical programme in the morning was as follows:

Processional by children's choir; chant, The Earth Is the Lord's; hymn by children's choir; anthem, Be Glad, O Ye Righteous (Smart) with men's chorus; children's recessional.

In the evening the following music was rendered:

Anthem, Sun of My Soul (Edward Turner); baritone solo, How Long Wilt Thou Forget Me (Mietzke), D. B. Pidgeon; chant, I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes; anthem, O Come, Let Us Worship (Mendelssohn) with soprano solo by Mrs. A. P. Crocket; choral benediction.

At both services tenor solos were given by Murray G. Brooks of Montreal.

In the morning Dr. Flanders spoke on the history of the church and told of its development to its present condition.

In the evening he took as his text 2 Col. 2-10: "And ye are complete in Him."

He quoted the saying attributed to Jos. Cook that there are no half hinges in nature, meaning that nature always completes her work. When we find half of a shell on the shore its existence makes us believe that another half must exist. In man the fact that we have lungs shows that there must be air for them to breathe.

In the spiritual realm our innate convictions tell us that there must be another half to complete our spiritual lives. God stands for all that is incomplete in us and in Him our souls are rounded out.

You may say that you do not believe in God but you really do. "The fool hath said in his heart that there is no God." No one but a fool would say such a thing. You may not believe in the God of revelation, the God that I believe in, but you must believe in some power that is behind all things. The normal man feels the existence of God. I bring to you the God of revelation that you may think of Him as a spiritual complement.

There is in every man the germ of spiritual life but unless it comes in contact with God it will be dormant. Jesus Christ came and told the world that in Him were life and hope to be found.

We may think that we do not sin because we do not break any of the ten commandments. Does it not occur to you that in rejecting Christ you sin? The saddest words ever spoken by Christ referred to those who had rejected His love. As the candle flame needs oxygen to keep it alive so our spiritual natures must have contact with God in order to live.

The preacher then dwelt on the way in which environment aided development and after giving several illustrations said that he had seen men come in contact with others and under the touch of Divine power become beautiful and good. He had come to the conclusion that no one could be a true man and reach his highest development unless he admits Jesus Christ to his life.

Men ask what they must do as if it was only by striving that they could get Jesus Christ to enter their lives. All that is needed is to trust in Him. God stands ready to develop and perfect all the good in us.

This evening there will be a union Thanksgiving service in Centenary church. On Tuesday evening a church social will be held and on Wednesday evening at the midnight service messages from former pastors will be read.

ALBERT TEACHERS INSTITUTE MEETS

Interesting Papers Read—Practical Lesson in Geometry Given

MUSICAL PROGRAMME

HILLSBORO, Nov. 6.—The annual meeting of the Albert County Teachers' Institute convened in the High School building here today. In the absence of the president, Geo. J. Trueman, Inspector O'Blenes was chosen president. H. C. Atkinson, B. A., was elected secretary-treasurer in place of Orland Atkinson, who was also absent. The following teachers enrolled: Mabel Keirstead, H. C. Atkinson, W. V. Keith, A. M. Thistle, A. H. Morrow, H. P. Dole, F. H. Blake, Mrs. F. H. Blake, F. H. Long, E. B. Dixon, J. M. Nason, M. E. Archibald, J. S. Barnes, S. R. Bennett, G. Brewster, H. B. Hoar, Eliza Avard, Lena M. Wilson, A. H. McLean, S. R. Crocker, Bertha L. West, J. A. McIntyre, Kate McNaughton, H. C. Steeves, F. M. Tingley, L. M Tingley, A. M. Jonah, D. S. Tingley, M. E. Newcombe, V. M. Steeves, E. B. Morrison, S. A. Berrie, C. M. Tingley, Ida E. Snowdon. This was followed by a brief address from the president. H. C. Atkinson gave a practical lesson in geometry which received very favorable criticism, after which meeting adjourned.

At the afternoon session the first number on the programme was a lesson on paper folding by Miss W. V. Keith. This lesson was most interesting and was followed by a discussion in which Miss Avard, Miss Tingley, Inspector O'Blenes and others took part. Miss G. Brewster gave an excellent paper on School Discipline which was well received.

This evening a public meeting was held in the Company's Hall, which was largely attended. F. M. Thompson, the chairman of the Board of Trustees, presided. Excellent addresses were given by Hon. C. J. Osman, Dr. Marven, H. P. Dole, M. A., Inspector O'Blenes and H. C. Atkinson, B. A. At the close of the meeting the visiting teachers were entertained by the Hillsboro faculty to ice cream and cake.

A musical programme was also rendered, Miss Lewis presiding at the piano. Miss Crocker gave a pleasing vocal solo and Miss Rebecca Bennett gave a reading very effectively. The institute closes on Friday. H. P. Dole will give a paper at the morning session on Experimental Scychology and What It Teaches Us; Miss Julia McIntyre will give a paper on Domestic Science and the School Curriculum; and Miss Lena Wilson will give a paper on Teaching Reading.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

EUROPE'S LATEST ROYAL BRIDE AND GROOM

PRINCE AUGUST WILHELM OF PRUSSIA — PRINCESS ALEXANDRA VICTORIA of SCHLESWIG HOLSTEIN
FROM BLACK & WHITE.

BAPTISTS RETURN FROM CONVENTION

Discuss Prospective Union

TELL OF THEIR PLANS

Union Will Likely Be Consummated Early Next Year

The maritime delegates to the Ottawa conference of the Dominion Baptist Church reached St. John at noon Saturday.

Among those arriving were: Rev. D. L. Hutchinson, Rev. W. W. McMaster, Allan McIntyre, Rev. Wellington Camp, Rev. R. G. White, Rev. H. H. Saunders, of Annapolis, Rev. Gideon Swim, Dr. W. C. Kierstead, of Fredericton, T. S. Simms, Edgar Campbell, and Rev. H. G. Kennedy, of Sussex.

Rev. Mr. White, of Summerland, B. C., who will preach in Main St. Church tomorrow, also arrived with the others.

Rev. Mr. Hutchinson, speaking of the work of the conference, said that when the Ontario-Quebec convention was in progress a resolution was introduced unfavorable to union. He protested against it on the grounds that it it reflected the sentiment of the people of Ontario, the Maritime delegates had been misled and they might as well return home at once. The resolution passed but later on the convention passed another of a more favorable nature.

When the delegates from all parts of the Dominion met on Wednesday it was discovered that the people of Upper Canada seemed to be as anxious for union as those of the Eastern and Western sections.

Owing to the strong sentiment in favor of it a resolution could have been passed asking the Church to effect the union. It was decided, however, not to take this step until next year. The convention meanwhile approved a proposed constitution for the united church. Under the terms of this the national body would have jurisdiction over the home, foreign and Grand Ligne missions, the publication boards, the Sunday school board and several other departments.

A convention will be called next year when it is expected the union will be effected.

The following resolution expressed the conclusions of the convention:

Whereas, this convention has given two full days to the discussion of the desirability and the practicability of a union of all the Baptist churches of Canada under one organization to be known as "The Baptist Union of Canada," and

Whereas, we have also discussed a basis of representation and the question of the particular denominational interests which shall form part of the work of the proposed union, and

Whereas, we have arrived at a large degree of unanimity upon the afore said topics;

Therefore, Be it resolved:—

1—That we affirm our conviction of the practicability and desirability of such a union.

2—That we believe such a union would be in the best interests of the Kingdom of Christ as represented in the Baptist denomination in Canada, and would contribute to a speedy and satisfactory solution of many of the great and important problems which are before us as Baptist citizens of the Dominion of Canada.

3—That we express our hearty approval of the proposed constitution recommended by this convention, and the propositions made to this convention by the committees representing the various interests which have been considered.

4—That we appoint a committee of fifteen to prepare reports of the work done and action taken by this convention, and to send copies of these reports to

a—The Secretaries of the various Baptist Conventions in Canada;

b—The Clerks of all the Associations;

c—The Clerks of all the Baptist churches in Canada.

d—The Boards representing the various interests of the Baptist denomination in Canada, and

e—The Grande Linge Mission.

5—That we recommend that a Con- bodies to consider such report at some time during the year dating from October 1st, 1908, and report to the Committee above as soon as possible after such action has been taken.

6—That he recommend that a Convention be called during the Autumn of the year 1909, upon the basis of representation decided upon by this Convention, to consider the reports of such bodies and, if found advisable, to organize the Baptist Union of Canada—such Convention to be called at such time and place as may be decided upon by the foresaid Committee.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Norton, of Toronto. Seconded by Dr. Creed, of Fredericton, N. B., and carried unanimously.

Ottawa, Ont., 5th November, 1908

BATTLE IN CELLAR.

MADRID, Nov. 7.—The Mundo reports a terrible tragedy at Pochino, in the district of Lamego, where gambling has been carried on in a wine cellar.

A dispute between two players resulted in a general quarrel. The lights were extinguished, and the occupants of the cellar fought with revolvers, knives and empty bottles, striking at each other at random.

When the police went to the rescue with lighted torches some minutes later they found seven men had been killed and seventeen others wounded. The dead and wounded were lying in pools of wine caused by a number of the casks having been broken.