

whole system needs to be in good condition to keep each organ right. So keep your body strong; for when the body weakens the eyes weaken. This is the reason of failing sight

in old age.

Don't go to an optician to get glasses without first being examined and treated by a good oculist. Much harm is often done in this way, and your eyes are not things to run any risks with.

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this way, and your eyes are not things to read any risks with.

Don't use the eyes when very tired or weak from sickness; they are the most sensitive of our organs, and tire as the rest of us tares, and use, after a certain point of fatigue or weakness has been reached, is injurious to any part of our body.

Don't forget that hot water is most efficacious in case of inflammation or tiredness. Bathing for about ten minutes with water as hot as you can bear your elbow in is almost a sure relief. A boric acid solution, which can be obtained at any drugstore, also is extellent.

cellent.

Don't neglect or strain your eyes; they are the most precious and useful of our senses. Take as good care of them as is in your power in the first place; but if they are not as they should be, have them attended to at once. Remember, if they are once injured, they are never quite so good as they were before.—Selected.

### Religious Notes.

The contribution by Lord Strathcona of \$2,500 a year for five years, makes possible an extension of exploration work in Asia Minor, which is expected to throw light on some very interesting questions in connection with Biblical and other ancient history. Sir William Ramsay, it is said, will shortly go to Asia Minor to undertake investigations on a much greater scale than has hitherto been attempted. Sir William, in speaking of his intentions, says that he has been convinced for a long time, and now thinks it will be praccally demonstrated by the next great series of discoveries, that Aryan history had its beginnings in Asia Minor, and that the people called the Hittites in the Bible, are the children of Heth, from whom Abraham bought a piece of land to make a grave for his family. Sir William is also credited with the statement that he will not be satisfied until the clay tablet recording the sale of that piece of land is discovered. He thinks there can be no doubt that the sale was thus registered, and the tablet deposited in a Hittite temple. Of the Hittite empire he says: 'It extended from the Aegan Sea to the borders of Egypt. It included the whole of Asia Minor and Syria. Their capital was in the northern part of Asia Minor, and its modern name is Bogliazfikens. We know the sites of several of the great cities in Asia Minor. The duty of the future is to dig up those cities.'

Over 100 Protestant churches in France The contribution by Lord Strathcona of

Over 100 Protestant churches in France have agreed upon some sort of union. The first three articles of the union agreement read as follows: 'In Jesus Christ, as Son of the Living God, and Saviour of men; the unique religious value of the Bible, document of the progressive, revelation of God, and the right and duty of churches and of believers to put into practice free investigation in harmony with the rules of the scientific method,

and the reconciling of modern thought with the gospel. The form of union adopted is the Presbyterian, and the governing body a gen-

The secretary of the Evangelical Alliance, Mr. H. Martyn Gooch writes: 'Arrangements for the eleventh International Conference of Christians, which is to meet in the King's Hall, Holborn, from July 3rd to 8th, next, are well advanced. The following countries will send delegates: United States of America, France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Russia, Denmark, Norway, Eweden, Switzerland, and Italy? Italy.

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