

HOW THEY DO THINGS AT 'OME.—Broad-  
mayne Church Schools, Dorset, are in low  
water, and it is proposed to raise money by a  
smoking concert in a barn. The landlord of  
the Black Dog Inn applied for a license for  
the barn from eight to eleven on the night in  
question. The magistrates' clerk, at Doreches-  
ter, said a license could not be granted for  
selling intoxicants after ten except for a public  
dinner or a ball. The solicitor said he would  
apply again for a license for a public dinner,  
suggesting that if sandwiches were provided  
the requirement of the law would be met—  
*Christian World.*

MISS WILLARD.—In the *Christian World*,  
Miss Willard is reported as saying, in answer  
to questions about her future movements, and  
when she would return to England:—

"I hope about this time next year, when we start on  
our Petition-to-the-Sovereigns-of-Europe tour."

"And in the meantime?"

"This is my program: Miss Gordon and I sail in the  
*Teutonic*, June 13th, but before that we go with Lady  
Henry for a week's work in Ireland. In July we attend  
a large Convention in Canada. We then go with steno-  
graphers to a quiet chalet about 100 miles from New  
York, up the Hudson, and work there out of the swirl  
and rush of city life. In the autumn I take part in the  
White Ribbon Conventions that are to be held in the dif-  
ferent states. In November I am booked for the coming-  
of-age-of-the-whisky-war celebrations in Cleveland, Ohio.  
After that I shall probably rest a bit before returning to  
England on my way around the world."

THE BENEDICTION.—What should follow it?  
First, decorum; but that cannot be looked for  
if the organist is playing "jig" tunes; nor  
can it be attained if every one rushes at every  
one else, to gossip about subjects that have no  
connection with the solemn services just ended  
— and no connection even with Christian  
things. A great deal of the good seed sown,  
is promptly picked up and devoured by the  
little birds of gossip, before the outer door is  
reached. "Let me pass!" said a sea captain,  
after hearing Rev. Dr. Barbour, "I've got an  
idea; and I want to get home!" People often  
get good thoughts to take with them. Let  
not utterly incongruous talk dissipate them!

"MIX IT WITH BRAINS, SIR!"—The preacher  
must not live and think and talk wholly in  
the past or up in the sky or down in the  
depths of a dull philosophy. If his nerves do  
not tingle under the touch of present things  
he is not likely to stir the blood of others. It  
is a good thing that in the days of slavery

agitation men preached on the topic of the  
hour. Think of the immeasurable loss if  
Henry Ward Beecher had ignored all current  
themes. In this matter the middle way seems  
best. To harass a tired city audience with  
questions which have been vexing them all  
the week is not good. But it is not good to  
withhold whatever wisdom the pulpit may  
have in times of perplexity or emergency.—  
*Advance.*

"A.L.O.E."—Miss Tucker, who spent the  
last 20 years of her life as a Missionary in  
India, gave as her last directions that no one  
was to mourn, no one was to weep at her  
grave, no one to wear mourning for her; her  
funeral was not to cost more than five rupees;  
she was to be buried on a native charpoy  
(string bed), without a coffin, in the Batala  
cemetery, her own funeral hymn was to be  
sung at her interment, and no monument was  
to be erected to her memory.

THE PRAYER MEETING.—The number of  
good—really good—reasons for staying away  
is simply amazing. The only explanation that  
is satisfactory is that the devil has a special  
spite against the intrusion of a religious meet-  
ing in the middle of the week. I do not  
think he seriously objects to church-going on  
Sunday by Christian people and their families.  
But this is quite a different affair. Three-  
fourths of the membership of a church is  
prayer meeting means a revival, and that is  
not according to his taste. As "prince of the  
power of the air" he has the matter wonder-  
fully in his control. Watch and see if it is  
not so in your own case, if you are not pos-  
sessed of the prayer-meeting habit.—*Advance.*

UNITARIANISM.—Never object to anything,  
without you have something better to propose!  
But Unitarianism began by assailing the vital  
truth of Christianity—the true and proper  
Godhead of the Lord Jesus Christ—and had  
nothing else to put before the sinner as a sub-  
stitute for this Divine Saviour. No party, no  
"church," no organization, can long exist  
whose reason for existence is a mere negation.  
Protestantism is better than its name: that is  
a mere negation; but its foundation is "Sal-  
vation by Faith"—faith on Christ. In Italy  
and Spain they do better; they call them-  
selves "Evangelicals." The "Orthodox" have  
ceased, among us, to reply to the Universalists,