

way to the spiritual good, and private good must give way to public good.

"Second. The liquor traffic, and especially as conducted here in the United States, is the source of much evil; hence the Bishop was acting within his rights in seeking to restrict it.

"Third. Therefore, the delegate apostolic sustains Bishop Watterson's action, and approves of his circular letter and regulation concerning saloons, and the expulsion of saloon-keepers from membership in Catholic societies."

Liquor dealers at once threw down the gauntlet to Archbishop Corrigan and dared him to stand by his superior, assured of a surrender, it being thought the New York prelate would take advantage of what might prove a weak policy to overturn Mgr. Satolli's influence and authority. But the Archbishop has felt the iron hand of the Vatican more than once, and he has taken his stand by the legate. The battle will be witnessed with great interest throughout the continent for what is done in the United States must affect every portion of America.

Opium Traffic in India.

There is trouble brewing in India. The opponents of the detested and disgraceful opium traffic have waged persistent opposition to it for a long time and lately have made heavy indictments on the system which permits such traffic, and on the Government Opium Contractor for the City and Island of Bombay. The result was a suit for libel and convictions which have landed Man Sukh Lal, Editor of *The Banner of Asia*, Alfred S. Dyer, Editor of the *Bombay Guardian*, and Thomas M. Hudson and Mr. Prantch, anti-opiumites, behind the prison bars. The feeling which seems to prevail among the Christian people is that the sentences were not justifiable and that the prisoners are martyrs to conscience. *The Banner of Asia* for last month states that among the many messages of sympathy telegraphed from various parts of India, is one giving an account of a public meeting of native Christians of all denominations and Hindus held at Madras, presided over by a Hindu gentleman, S. K. Nair. The opium traffic was strongly condemned. Messrs. Dyer, Man Sukh Lal and Hudson were commended as honorable men fighting for the cause of righteousness and truth, and the hope was expressed that they might be preserved to see the triumph of the cause and that the prison might prove a palace to them. A similar meeting was held at Mussoorie. A message from London expressed strong sympathy of the Urgency, Christian Union, Friends' and Women's Committees, from which a deputation was to wait on the Secretary of State with reference to the imprisonment of the four antis. Money is being subscribed for the purpose of sending a deputation to Britain to agitate against the traffic in opium and the relentless sentences of the courts will serve to show the official protection afforded to the trade.

We may smile over an amusing case which occurred in the courts of the Province of Quebec recently. Two editors of rival Roman Catholic papers quarrelled, and when epithets had been well nigh exhausted, one called the other a Methodist. Immediately legal action was taken and the accusation was adjudged to be damaging to the extent of \$200.—*Presbyterian Journal*.

* * Attention is drawn to our offer of a good book "None Like It" by Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, on conditions advertised on the first page of this issue. This book will be given during the month of August only.

Education of Children. Says the *United Presbyterian*: What were the human influences which tended to form the character of the boy Jesus? He lived in the country; He belonged to the working class and learned sympathy with the common people; He was brought up in a godly home; He attended the worship of God in the synagogue and temple; He was instructed in the Scriptures. These and similar influences are within reach of Christian parents of the present, and the grace of God will make them a power in the education of children.

The Church of Ireland. The following figures show that the Presbyterian Church in Ireland is in a prosperous condition. They are, from a report submitted at a recent meeting of the Sustentation Fund Committee:—Congregational subscriptions this year £2,517 12s 7d; last year, £2,430 11s 5d; increase £87 1s 2d. Donations this year, £200; last year, £15 7s 4d; increase, £184 12s 8d. Bequests this year £1,691 6s 6d; last year, £1,333 6s 8d; increase, £1,557 19s 10d. Totals this year, £4,408 19s 1d; last year, £2,579 5s 5d; increase, £1,829 13s 8d. The announcement of the figures was received with great applause, the chairman remarking that he was but expressing the mind of everyone present when he said that the return for the quarter was a most satisfactory one.

A Hint to Teachers. Did it ever occur to you asks the *Look-out*, that successful teaching does not mean getting the greatest number of "points" from the lesson? The teacher who flies off at every possible angle to "drive home a thought," is in danger of sending his pupils home with the confused idea that the teacher made the lesson very interesting and nothing more. The effort to make in rapid succession a number of impressions has, as a matter of course, resulted in a blurred composite that means nothing. It is only the teacher who has made the lesson the subject of conscientious study who knows how to enforce the one point. Go over the lesson with all of the light you can possibly obtain shining upon it, and make up your mind as to just what one thought may be made of greatest value to the every-day lives of your pupils. Then, with God's help, and all of the earnestness that is within you, seek to impress it upon your scholars.

A Sad Bereavement. It was sad as it was unexpected news that was cabled on Monday, announcing the sudden death of the wife of Rev. W. G. Wallace, B.D., of Bloor street church, Toronto. They had been travelling in Scotland on a vacation, when she was struck down with illness at Edinburgh, and having removed to Crieff, in Perthshire, she died there, far from home but surrounded with kind friends. This sad ending to what had been looked forward to with peculiar pleasure, will call forth the sincere sympathy of a large congregation and many personal friends. Mrs. Wallace was highly esteemed by all who knew her and death will leave a blank, not only in the small devoted family circle, but in the wider sphere where her influence was very beneficently felt. With her husband and family there is much sympathy. They are lovingly commended to the great dispenser of mercy whose grace abounds with comfort for the afflicted and whose dealings are always for the best.