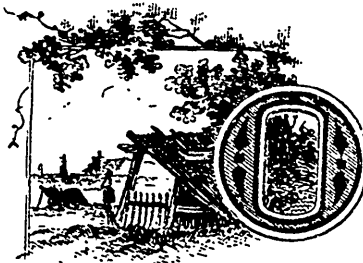


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OUR PIONEERS.

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These sketches, begun with the

New-Year, will, we trust, become increasingly interesting. And we foresee that there will be *appendices* in plenty, for most of them! When once the stream of history is set flowing, it is wonderful how many things come up in the memory! But will our friends who are helping us, just reverse the current a little, and give us the apt anecdotes, and the sharp, clear illustrations of life and habit *first*; instead of giving us essays on the general character? Our readers want the *incidents* of a man's career; they will form their own judgment of his character for themselves. We are grateful for so many communications, helpful toward constructing these sketches; and in addition to any private acknowledgments, we desire in this way to express our thanks.

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Miss Tucker, known to the world as "A. L.O.E.," a successful author, and for the past eighteen years missionary in India, died recently in that country.

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WE AIM at perfection! No. "94" in the "Union of 1868, is not Mr. W. A. Wallis, but his brother, the late Mr. Alfred Wallis. We have not yet discovered who No. "75" is.

OF Jews in Palestine, there are at the present moment, 43,700: 25,000 in Jerusalem, and 18,000 in other places of the land. A wonderful increase during the last ten years.

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The best thing a man can do with the slang habit is to quit it. Let him watch his language and cleanse it. A word which cannot be properly used anywhere ought to be used nowhere.

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At the last White House reception all the ladies of the receiving party wore high-necked gowns, at the request of Mrs. Cleveland. Sensible woman, even if she is the wife of a Democratic President.—*Ex.*

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Messrs. MOODY and SANKEY will commence their next season's campaign by a series of services at Providence, R. I. The report that they are going to Europe is unauthorized and incorrect. They received an urgent invitation from a large number of English ministers, but decided not to accept it for the present.

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THERE was some dislocation of pages in last month's INDEPENDENT. Such things are very annoying; quite as much to the publisher as the reader. All the contents of the number were there—only mixed. Our printers and binders will try hard not to mix up the first course and the dessert too often!

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OUR British exchanges have much on the question of extempore preaching. "The slavery to paper" is roundly denounced. A parliamentary candidate reading from a paper would soon have empty seats before him; and people are longing to see the pulpit emancipated. Are our young men aiming at the