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human soul, as leep in sin and worldly security. A protound conviction comes to pervade dence, the fear of adversaries, are all poor help it, until you are a new man. What you new convert, poured out his soul in prayer. the Lord?" As I closed, a paper with the is upon them from which they will awake only in all things, both great and small in public and God. renewed Spirit speedily quickens those slum- a purer faith, we are to look to Christ first, ly as those having regular charges, and with a love feast again." bering faculties into an active life, and brings forth the appropriate truit. It is God's law in life to the soul nor its increase. Rooted and the control of a born appetite fatally strong. A man once of a born appetite fatally strong. A man once of a born appetite fatally strong. A man once of a born appetite fatally strong. of the new birth, the molding power of the faith .- Christian Advocate.

new creation. But the "perfect man, the measure of the stature of the tuliness of Christ," the end sought in the work of the Holy Spirit, and in the institutions of the Church, is the result of growth. The spiritual life that begins in the new birth strengthens, expands, increases, and brings the whole being more and more into subjection to Christ's law and likeness to his mind. It is doubtless within the power of ce this matured manhood in day, and even in the moment, of the new birth, just as it is to bring out in the evening the ripened ear of corn from the grain which is planted in the morning. It is, however, not a question of what is possible to God, but rather what Holy Scripture and the nature of the case lead us to expect. Any exceptional case is to be considered by itself, and not to be generalized into a rule, any more than the method of the awakening and conversion of Saul of Tarsus is to be taken as a precedent of what we may expect in the conversion of sinners and skeptics in our own day. Nor are the steps of the soul's progress so limited that our growth is a question of time, but rather of the condi-

tions indispensable to it.

Let us analyze the matter and learn what we mean when we speak of this kind of growth. The highest attainments in grace vary nothing in their nature from what is found in the beginnings of the spiritual life. Growing in grace is only acquiring more and more of the same sort of thing. Now this growth is not to be confounded with the formation of a religious habit. Undoubtedly the habit is essential t it, and it must be formed by all who would maintain a Christian position, though it be done in thousands of cases painfully, and through the severest struggles. But there is a danger, of which we fear there are too numer ous evidences, that the habit may come to b substituted for the spirituality of mind that belongs to the true Christian. So, again, an enlarging knowledge of religious truth is indispensable to a continued spiritual progress, but it may not be considered a substitute for it. The truth is the soil into which the soul may become rooted and grounded, and from which it may derive the nourishment upon which alone it can thrive. "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth," prayed Jesus in behalf of his disciples. The truth of Spirit of God employs, but it alone never sanctifies, however necessary it be in the hand evate the intellect and yet fail to bring the heart any nearer to God.

Indeed, it is possible for one to become pro found in theological lore whose heart has lost its love to Christ. And while we avoid this mistake, let us go further and note that pleasant and happy emotions are no true measure of ness, and fidelity, and they all exist together, attention to his emotions, while he is exceedingly neglectful of the duties of religion, of that charity which suffers long and is kind, and of a due control of temper and tongue. But a religion that does not curb the temper, bridle the tongue, teach fidelity, and cultivate charity, however much of emotion may attend it, is lack-

spiritual life, and so not of spiritual growth. nied by the formation and strengthening of gospel!" It is not strange that he should heavenly Father, felt the warm pulse of his stant in season and out of season," and "sow habits of religious life, increasing knowledge

## WHITE AS SNOW. .

"White as snow !" O what a promise For the heavy-laden breast When by taith the soul receives it.

Weariness is changed to res'. "White as snow!" O have you watched Softly carpeting the ground, Wreathing with a wreath of silver

"White as snow!" Can my transgression Thus be wholly washed away, Leaving not a trace behind them, Like a cloudless summer day?

Every common thing around

Yes, at once, and that completely. Through the blood of Christ I know. All my sins, though red like crimson,

May become as white as snow. I believe the glorious record God has given of his Son;

His atoning death has won Yet though free from condemnation I am not in heaven yet: What it cost-this free salvation

I accept the free salvation

Much torgiven! Quite forgiven! Once for all, yet daily too,

Let me live near Him who saves me, Let me keep the cross in view. Much forgiven! Then let boasting

Be forever cast aside : Shall a newly-pardoned sinner Dare to lift his head in pride Much forgiven! O my Saviour.

If my present state be such. May the further words describe me. This poor sinner loveth much!

Those not called of God to the gospel minthe revealed Gospel is an instrument which the preacher of God's word. Their ideas of the have told us. All we need know is that it was of the divine Spirit. Clear conceptions of it and enlarged knowledge of its doctrines may el. of the real. Moses, Elijah, John the Baptist, Paul tells us; and moreover, that he could not and the Apostle Paul were not more emphati- get rid of it, that he could not pray it out or

ask, "Who is sufficient for these things?" but infinite love in the promise, "My grace is beside all waters," that life's great harvest

of divine things, and rich, joyous emotions, we it is astonishing that care, or pleasure, or rich-sufficient for thee," and with that sweet assumust look to character in order to find its true es or the blandishments of friends, or any rance he could say: results. The new birth transforms the man worldly consideration, should be so magnified and lays its fashioning hand upon the soul it- in his eyes as to eclipse the path of duty and self. In the renewed character is laid the obedience. There must be something painfoundation for the superstructure of a godly lite. This is the beginning of that holiness of heart and life without which no one will see the sight of God if he can lightly set aside the like Byron's club-toot, so that the man goes ary meeting at Birmingham, the Rev. R. W God. It grows and matures, as does all claims of the ministry, or trifle with its aw- limping all his days; or it may be as great character, through knowledge, experience, and discipline, with the additional element of the discipline, with the additional element of the promised aid of the Holy Spirit. And it is here, in the increase of holiness inward and outward, in deepening conformity both to the image and in dead was dead to the beautiful saint and the fallen or unfaithful messengers shall meet his face in the judgment. How awful will be the account the custom of those the congregation of the will give you all supply, just as fast as a fast as fast

to be said. It is one of the things that require knowledge of the truth of God's holy word duties toward them, but which he has left uninsane with jealousy—with an old love hidminds by way of remembrance, and also from and patient study, and without them high at- sleepy, dumb watchman, whom God has set to to bloom in his life.

ministry would be removed, and the frown of knocking a man down.

# safety .- Religious Telescope.

beadache: Tertullian, the earache: Rosen- than Paul did .- Lutheran Observer. muller, the gout in the head-kopft gickt-and that it was periodical. Some think it was a distortion of the face; others, detective vision, and yet others, lameness, or some chronic

that Paul actually labored either under entire action. deprivation of vision, or under some severely painful and vexatious disease of the eyes, the

possible by doing so to releive him." telligent and comprehensive, but its obligations tion, that was like the piercing of a thorn-

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O give me strength to bear; Still let me know a Father reigns And trust a Father's care."

in deepening conformity both to the image and will of Christ, that we find the real spiritual growth.

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points of our personal religious experience. Nor can one well be a devout student of the what he had to say in reply. Now, this man had suppressed sound of mingled emotion in the for the edification of others—say not that you There ought to be no occasion for controversy sacred word without being led to earnest act as if their obligations had been cancelled or would be hard for even Providence to find the been in the dock so often that he did not feel congregation as I said it. I wondered at my are unable to edity; undertake to edity others, about the supernaturalness of the beginning of prayer for bestowment of the things therein their commissions nullified. The plea of nerve. But such are exceptional men. A at all esneerned quite at home. Very own boldness, knowing the pecuniary status and then you will edity yourself and become all spiritu I lite, for where even in nature does promised, and also for help to do things en- shocking ignorance of the import of their call- minister tells the story of a man whom he once quie ly tolding his arms he addressed the mag- of most of the people; but I telt impelled to able. life spontaneously begin? A grain of corn joined. Moreover, he, who, under the teaching, though a hard excuse for a minister, is the heard giving his experience in a Methodist istrates to the following effect: may be in the grainery for a thousand years ing of the written word with the illumination best we can present in palliation of such unfaithmeeting in England. The man said that he with capacities for germination and growth, of the blessed Spirit, is led to pray for divine fulness. What other plea could we interpose bad lost his wife and all his children by the but they are dormant until it is brought into interposition in his behalf, cannot have over- in behalf of those who profess to be called of fever, and was as calm through it all as if noth-

It possesses all the faculties that it will have the soul that sin is exceedingly sintul, hateful, pleas for the suppression of the voice of cou- have told us is not a sign of grace, but of hard- All in the court and on the magistrates' bench amount was handed to me. Amid the most in its hours of purest saintship, but a paralysis and defiling, and that God must be obeyed science and for disobedience to the voice of ness of heart. Instead of your being a saint were deeply moved—some to tears. But he eager and breathless attention I read it out. you are hardly good enough to be a decent prayed rather long, and good as it was, they "Two thousand five hundred pounds!" I alat the touch of the Holy Spirit. Change its conditions, bring it into connection with those enjoyment without an endeavored universal sider the obligations of their calling, the Church of the Holy Spirit. Change its in private, in feeling and in action. Religious enjoyment without an endeavored universal sider the obligations of their calling, the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ; that He who was agencies external to itself which God's law of obedience is seen to be a mere delusion. And, of Christ would soon be stirred as it has if you were human at all, such troubles as you do; just stop him." The constable, shaking witnessed such a sight as Surrey Chapet pregrace has appointed, and let it yield itself to then, beyond knowledge, prayer, watchfulness, not been for years. Those not now in the have had ought to have broken you heart. I our friend's sleeve said, Stop; but he prayed sented. Every face beamed with delight. The them in an inwrought repentance, and the and obedience, which are but so many aids to regular work would preach almost as frequent-

nature that water, earth and air are requisite grounded in him, we are likewise to put and preach and pray, with a warmth and so. said, that for twenty-eight years the soul within preachers in the body of the court, and cailing rey Chapel never heard it so sung before. to the life and growth of a plant; it is his law him on, and grow up into him. All experi- licitude too little known. There would be him had to stand like an unsleeping sentinel to him, said, Mr. ---, you come and stop in the realm of spiritual things that the Divine ence teaches us his sufficiency. All discipline reading and preparation such as men in earword and Spirit is requisite to the life and is to inspire the renouncement of self an absonest know how to make effectual. Minds be in a bad temper. A preacher once said to novel prayer-meeting too much to be induced growth of a human soul. The development the- lute reliance upon him. And so in him we would be grasping and memories retentive. In- a mas: "Why don't you make an effort and to stop it; so he replied, loud enough tor all ory does not apply here. A sinner never de- find a sweet rest of soul, in proportion as we tellects would come out, as it were, from the put your passion down, once for all?" to hear, 'Nay, nay, you've started him; I velops into a saint. He must know the pangs are united to bim in the bonds of a living tombs, teeming in their resurrection with clear "Doctor," he answered, "I have overcome can't stop him." and holy thoughts. Preaching would be in de. more temper than ever you had, and I am

> God would cease to rest on many a soul and Sometimes it may be the memory of some household and congregation. Why will not great wrong committed, which haunts the soul while his case was considered. One of the those called of God ardently pursue the path of as a ghost, and cannot be laid; or some pain magistrates, moved to tears, said, 'We have duty? for such alone is the path of truth and in the citadel of life that cannot be removed; often had this man before us, never under in him is that he draws a congregation. If he the rapture of angels; for "there is joy in

fiesh." The pulpit and the pew have been want of love and sympathy. It may be in a gladly acquit him. alike curious to know what this thorn was, son, that is predigal; or a daughter, that is sorts of theories and conjectures about it; and Every heart knows its own trouble. You even the grave fathers were set to guessing. know what your thorn in the flesh is, though Chrysostom and Jerome thought it was the you may never have told any one, any more

### NEGLECTED OPPORTUNITIES.

Life is man's great opportunity, and heaven neuralgia. If we felt it necessary to have some the reward of improving it. Golden opportheory about this thorn, we should adopt as tunities, like quick-winged visitants from ally London, owe much of their moral guidance the most plausible—that of Dr. John Brown in heaven, burst upon our vision, flutter for an and support to a few prominent meu. None his "Spare hours." According to Brown, it instant within reach, and are gone forever, of these claim more attention than the subject ciples went back, and walked no more with was impaired vision, some painful disease of like the favoring breeze, ready to wait the of our sketch. He is over forty-six years of him." was impaired vision, some painful disease of like the favoring breeze, ready to waft the of our sketch. He is over forty-six years of the eyes. He refers to the blindness of Psul grounded vessels from the bar, that finds the age, and just in his prime. A tourist who connected with the vision on the way to sails all furled. Opportunities improved are heard him preach in St. James' Hall, Piecadilly. Damasous, but rests his theory mainly on the like the unfolding bud ripening into truit; if one Sunday, thus describes him:passage in Galatians: "Ye would have pluck- wasted, like the withered flower or blasted

to pluck out their own eyes and to transfer himself forsaken-is a heaven-sent privilege spoke a word, and while yet I was admiring given her in those exercises." them to the apostle. Now, on the bypothesis that calls for gratitude and immediate earnest the aquiline nose, firm-set lips and massive

meaning of the passage is plain: "That so in a distant part of the country. By my side keenly did the Galatians sympathize with the stood an unconverted lady who had lately laid apostle in his affliction, that they would will her children in the grave. She was dressed in OBLIGATION OF THE GOSPEL MINIS. lagly have become his substitutes by taking all deepest mourning, and every feature of her his suffering upon themselves, it only it were beautiful countenance told of extreme sorrow. But we do not care to have any theory on and, as the preacher earnestly besought sinners istry will not feel the weight of responsibility the subject. It cannot be of much use for us to be reconciled to God, the tears of penitence attacting to the sacred office as does the true to know what this thorn was, or Paul would bedimmed her eyes-and the Saviour was asking admittance to her heart. The Spirit seemnature and importance of the work may be insome infirmity of the flesh, some bodily afficetelligent and comprehensive, but its obligations
tion, that was like the riercing of a thornthey will see in the light of the ideal rather than something painful and humbling. So much closed; the lady departed unsaved; and the means of grace were concluded. But never have I been able to erase the sad

peace. All the holy beings in the universe bear it; and it was in every spiritual way entitled, "What might have been." Will not have set their hearts on the triumph of the good for him. It was with Paul as with a sick the walls of eternity be placarded with advercause in which he labors. The eyes of angels child resting in the arms of his mother, unable tisements of "lost opportunities of getting good and doing good."

" GONE FOREVER." Let us then "redeem the time;" be may turnish us many joys and tew regrets.-Canada Christian Advocate.

### THE PRIMITIVE METHODIST

At the recent Primitive Methodist

"Gentleman, do you mean business " Business, business! ot course we do,

"However, our friend in the dock drew his monstration of the Spirit and with power. The nothing but an old sinner still." Dr. Mason devotions to a close, stood up on his feet, and, unoccupied places of the land would be invest- use to say, that as much grace as would make again tolding his arms, said with becoming ed. The terrible reproach of an unfaithful John a saint, would hardly keep Peter from meckness, Now, gentleman, if you please, I

am quite ready for business." " The prisoner was ordered in the antercom thorn may be planted in our affections. It It did not take them long to decide that he had "There was given to me a thorn in the may be something wrong in the home life—a broken no law, and therefore they would very

"Well, gentleman, said an officer of the Men of prurient fancies have indulged in all worldly and Christless. We need not go on. court, 'shall we call him in and say he is

#### is tull at liberty to carry on his good work." REV. NEWMAN HALL.

The inhabitants of Great Britain and, especi-

"A hush fell on the 1,500 worshippers in the

chin, a feeling of veneration and sympathy stole over me for one who had done so much

that moderation was more effective as an argument against excess than abstinence, Mr.

Sherman said, "Oh, my friend, you should than they do, but because the gircumstances of the control cally obligated to do the work assigned them get the Lord to take it out.

The dashing of the waves: shove the beating of the waves: shove the dashing of the waves: shove the dashing of the waves: shove the beating of the thought from my mind-"An opportunity is Snerman said, "Oh, my friend, you should than they do, but because the circumstances

> since, and with ever increasing satisfaction. From this time (in 1842) his labors have been marked by great and enduring success When be entered upon his pastoral duties in have become true Christians and consistent perance agency thus kept in operation.

But not content with these poble results of his self-denial, Mr. Half preached every Sunday afternoon in St. James' Hall, a notorious house of amusement in the west of London. Here his earnest manner and singular eloquence have gregation decided on erecting an edifice of their it; for there is nothing so utterly weak and imown. For a long time no building site could potent as this conceit of strength.

SPIRITUAL LIFE AND GROWTH. ally aid in this progress. While faith is most faithful warnings which he has never given? and dark melancholly, that would come over took our friend into custody. The news spaced I have had these many years to be the means of I must decline. This is the way to keep your assuredly the one condition of all saving grace, What if some are saved by other instrumental- him at times, beating down the soaring soul like wild-fire that old Tom was locked up for handing down the institution of Surrey Chapel incapacity forever. A truce to those cowardly Much as is said and written about the spiritit can never reach beyond the truth which it ities despite his untaithfulness? How shall be as a great hail storm beats down a bird. In preaching. Had it been said that it was for to the generations which had to follow. He ual life, there is a continual call for still more receives. Fundamental to all growth is a either meet them, or Christ, who assigned him Wesley it was a home without love, and a wife peaching, no one would have doubted it, but has been blessing us spiritually in return. "line upon line," a frequent stirring up of our But such knowledge demands careful reading discharged? What shall be the doom of the den away in his heart that was never permitted to the affair. On the following morning the court was crowded to hear the trial. The seats. Bring them this evening, filled up and effort or institution; so, if you are called to any Sometimes a man may be found, cold and charge was read over, and the prisoner asked let us have the £3,000 to day." There was a work or office in the church, or any exercise

say it. In the evening I repeated the sub- No Christian will ever be good for anything stance of my appeal to a crowded audience, without Christian courage, or, what is the same, for whom a fresh supply of cards with pencils Christian faith. Take upon you readily, have " Well, gentleman, please excuse the; but it had been distributed. Then, while we sang a it as a law to be always doing great worksconnection with agencies from beyond itself. looked the wide disparity between himself and God to preach and yet rarely preach, and then ing had happened, that he was so helped by you mean business, allow me to say that of late hymn of consecration of ourselves to God, the that is works that are great to you; and this Change its conditions by burying it in the soil, let earth and moisture wake up its sleeping faculties, and in a few days the germ puts forth besetments, and is awakened to watch against locked the wide disparity between himself and then ling and asppened, that he has so nespect of that high and pure character which the law of collectors gathered the cards, which by hun in the faith that God so clearly justifies, that no plea can justify them in the neglect of decay were plied upon the plates. I then he set down, the old preacher and was so nespect by under the collectors gathered the cards, which by hun in the faith that God so clearly justifies, that no plea can justify them in the neglect of decay were plied upon the plates. I then he set down, the old preacher and yet rarely preach, and then ing and asppened, that he was so nespect by under the collectors gathered the cards, which by hun in the faith that God so clearly justifies, that no plea can justify them in the neglect of decay were plied upon the plates. I then bestments, and is awakened to watch against large adventures. Trust God for great things. and the stalk appears, then the leat, and by them as well as to pray, to fight as well as to pray, to fight as well as to pray, to fight as well as to training, the opposition of friends, the want of "Now, brother, you go home and into your "He did not wait to know whether they hear! of God, from the words: "And who then With your loaves and two fishes, He will show adequate temporal means, lack of self-confi- closet, and never come out again if you can pleased or not; but with all the tervor of a is willing to consecrate his service this day unto you a way to feed thousands.—Dr. Bushnell.

he said, 'Stop, man, stop?' But he prayed with selves from clapping and shouting. "All the might be made rich;" that He is "rich to all people rejoiced because they offered willingly.' that call upon Him," has no "respect to per-"One of the magistrates saw one of our How they did sing the Doxology! Even Sur- sons," and by us has commanded his truth to be

#### DRAWING A CONGREGATION.

extent in the churches, which calls for a word On them who are perishing for lack of knowof animadversion. It is this - that the chief busi- ledge, never can we too earnestly and affecness of a minister of the gospel, is to draw a tionately and yearningly "set our hearts." It congregation. No matter what his surroundings you convert a sinner other charches in the town, whether or not the a more powerful motive be urged? You place with him, or scattering abroad; the one essen-ings which shall yield a felicity more noble and tial, indispensable requisits and qualification sacctifying throughout eternity. You advance or a lingering sickness, not fatal, but lasting, such circumstances. If this is a sample of the with wasting strength and weariness on and on work achieved by the labors of the Primitive for the place; it is even preposterous to think beighten the joy of your Lord Himself; for through the solugish years. Sometimes this Methodists, I wish them success wherever go., of employing him, however well furnished he "He sees of the travail of his soul, and is satmay be intellectually and religiously to instruct isfied." Happy will it be when this true

gathering and holding a congregation. But off, its disputes and bickering silence, and not one in a hundred, in five hundred, has such every thought be absorbed, and every energy a measure of eloquence and personal magnet- put forth in the solemn work of saving souls What, what ! call him in? No, never or saving souls trom death. O thou who hast set thine heart you'll have him on his knees returning thanks. gregation, when the church itself, or a conlet him go out at a side-door, but tell him he spicuous part of it, fails to co-operate with of thine own boundless and tender charity. Richard Watson.

> every church established by St. Paul, there sprang up a schismatic party opposed to his teaching, and hostile to his person." That was no fault of his, surely; any more than is the work of the day; but when the week is was of the Master, that "many of his dis-ended, when the year is ended, and, still more

some portion of his people.

In her "Recollections of Mary Lyon." Miss look out at the rear of the car, and I see the passage in Galatians: "I e would have plucked put your own eyes and have given them to
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> I stood once upon an encampment of people, in a distant part of the country. By my side stood an unconverted lady who had lately laid her children in the grave. She was dressed in deepest mourning, and every teature of her beautiful countenance told of extreme sorrow. She seemed deeply interested in the service, and joined beartily in the hymn of praise. His prayer was tervent, heartfelt, and as the preacher earnestly besought sinners to be reconciled to God, the tears of penitence bedimmed her eyes—and the Saviour was askto draw all the customers and business they changed to a smile. God tells us to bear our When Mr. Hall took charge of his first pastorate in Hull he was not strictly a total abstainer. Arguing one day with the Rev. James
> Sherman and his wife, and endeavoring to prove if they have an abundant supply on hand. Not

> > There many competitors, and people very

men the unreasonableness of many of their demands upon ministers, and of their complaints way to heaven; perhaps I may go there when Surrey Chapel, London, one of the stipulations against them. But, somehow or other, it of I die." Is it a matter which it is safe or rational with his parishoners was that he should be at ten happens that men of shrewdness and tact in to leave upon a peradventure? "Perhaps liberty to use the Chapel once a month for a business, seem to have skill, in religious mat- God is my friend, pehaps my foe; perhaps temperance meeting, and the Schoolroom as ters, only to baffle and hinder all true success. may be saved, perhaps be lost; perhaps I may often as he pleased. Thousands have signed Instead of considering your minister to prothe pledge at these meetings, and very many voke him to discouragement and despair, why the lost." You would not take an earthly not try the other method occasionally, recommembers of the Church by means of the tem mended by the Apostle, and consider him a map to direct you. The Bible is your map

DUTY NOT MEASURED BY ABILITY. almost any duty or good work, because they away from you, do not give this question mingle amid his hearers, and much good results are so consciously unequal to it. Why, if they from his ministrations. As Surrey Chapel is were not unequal, or felt themselves to be rest satisfied until you are able to " read your held on a lease which shortly expires, the con-

gentleman offered a lot for \$40,000. We leave Mr. Hall to describe his appeal to the liberality of his people, and their noble response:—

Described a lot for \$40,000. We leave multitudes around us, and Christ is saying to a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus constituted and their noble response:—

On South of the second specific to a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus all, Give ye them to eat. Say not, We can be dead, to an inheritance incorof his people, and their noble response:—

On Sunday morning, I announced the purnot, we have nothing to give. Go to your ruptible and undefield, and that fadeth not ruptible and undefield ruptible ruptible and undefield ruptible ru chase, and gave them this challenge. "If you duty, every man, and trust yourselves to Him; away, reserved in heaven for you."-Sermons will subscribe £3,000, I will collect outside of lor He will give you all supply, just as fast as by the late Rev. Patrick Thomson, M. A.

#### THE GREAT WORK.

dispersed and his grace to be distributed. Let these views more deeply influence us, that we may never loiter in the work assigned to each of us, if we are truly recovered to God ourmay be; whether or not there are plenty of ways, you " save a soul from death; " and can people are generally inclined to church-going, another child in the family of God; you open a or whether the members are carefully drawing mind to knowledge ever enlarging, and to feelmate of man shall be taken by the universal

and edity the people.

Of course a minister must do his part in Church of Christ. Its torpor will be shaker

### THE EXPERIENCES OF LIFE.

I am sure I can choose when I commence find that God has laid out my path. It is like me." He insists that these words cannot be understood in a hyperbolical or proverbial sense, as simply wrong, that the Galations would be willing to make any sacrifice to relieve him. But they would be willing literally liven her in those exercises."

To speak a word of warning or of counsel Newman Hall walked across the platform to the understood in a hyperbolical or proverbial to the youth in danger—or an exhortation to desk. His fluely-modelled head sat squarely on his shoulders, while his eyes with a compassionate and prayerful longing in their gaze—the seed of truth in the virgin soil of child-lieve him. But they would be willing literally liven her in those exercises."

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The duties of pastor and people, and their influence upon each other are reciprocal; and no minister can succeed who does not receive the sympathy and co-operation of his members.

### GREAT QUESTIONS,

I can do is to try it a month!" The experi- hill work to draw customers against the natu- finite and everlasting importance, and yet ment so begun has been persisted in ever ral and popular current, and the strong com-A little Christian common sense would show men the unreasonableness of more of the solutions. to provoke unto love and good works."- Ad- Ask yourselves, Have you a title to glory? Have you a meetness for glory? Have you anything in taste, or temper, or department congenial with heaven, or anything that rende There are many who faint when they look on you unhappy there? Do not put this question Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Brethren, the day is wearing away; this is and Saviour Jesus Christ, who according to