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28--38. Local Temperatures-The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the Observatory on Saturday, Feb. 18, were 37 degrees and 33.5 degrees; Sunday, 37.5 degrees and 25.5

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-Mrs. James Willis, of this city, is visiting with relatives in Rochester and Binghampton, N.Y.

-Mr. Frank Helm, of the Molsons Bank, London, is in Port Hope visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Helm.

-Mr. Walter Howell, of the Sandusky Register, is on a visit for a few weeks to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Howell, Phillip street. -Rev. Mr. Smith, of Thamesford, of-

ficiated at Knox Church yesterday morning, and Rev. Mr. Robertson, of Merritton, in the evening.

-Mr. John McArthur, of South London, arrived home from England Saturday afternoon. He was unaware of his sister's death until his arrival here. -Mr. S. A. Thompson, 424 Richmond street, was suddenly taken ill with inflammatory rheumatism on Saturday. His friends hope for his recovery speed-

-James Howland, an employe at the Collins Hotel, died suddenly on Saturday of heart failure. He was 66 years of age, and a well-known character

round the city. -The wreck in the C. P. R. yard was cleaned up this morning. A week ago, while shunting coal cars into the chute, a loaded car was pushed too far forward, and fell, strewing the place with coal and wreckage. Considerable damage was done.

-Robert Borum, a farm laborer, was before Squire Lacey on Saturday, charged by Henry Dickie, of London township, with the theft of \$5, a coat, a hat and a pair of trousers on Many 30 last. Dickie failed to identify any of the goods he claimed were stolen, and

Borum was discharged. -On Friday evening next, an oratorical contest will take place in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, for the gold medal of-fered for the best elecutionary efforts in temperance selections by the Royal Templars of Temperance. There are, three competitors from the city, and

others from outside. -Mrs. John Siddons received Saturday the sad intelligence of the death of her niece, Mrs. Edythe Hart, of Westmount, Montreal, aged 36 years, who died suddenly of heart failure. Deceased had the night previous entertained some friends, and was, apparently, in the best of health. She was a granddaughter of the late Senatwas a granddaughter of the late Senat-or Ferrier. Her demise will be greatly problem he would like his hearers to regretted, as she was a favorite in Montreal circles, and beloved by all

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Emerson, the actor, now residing in Woodstock, said this morning that the prospects for him taking over the management of the opera house were good. Should he succeed in securing control of the institution, Mr. Emerson intends organizing a permanent dramatic and comedy club from among the local amateurs, and to put on shows from time to time with a local cast, which

will be trained by himself. Mr. Emer-

son has a high opinion of Woodstock

dramatic talent, and contemplates establishing a school for its development. -All freight crews on the G. T. R. are being seriously annoyed by tramps. On Saturday morning, at Ingersoll, Brakeman Thompson left Conductor Farrell's van to go to the front end, and after going a couple of car lengths was ordered back to the van by two burly loafers. Mr. Thompson was compelled to retire, but soon reappeared with Conductor Farrell. The tramps disappeared, and the two railway men continued on toward the front end. While thus engaged, the tramps visited the van and stole a fine sealskin cap and several other articles of value. They are said to have been arrested at Ingersoll later on.

Rev. Richard Hobbs' Paper on the Subject

Read Before the Ministerial Association -An Interesting Discussion Evoked.

There was a large attendance at the Ministerial Association this morning, at which the chief topic of discussion was a paper by Rev. Richard Hobbs, of Askin Street Methodist Church. Rev. J. G. Stuart presided, and after preliminaries Mr. Hobbs was called up.

"The Church and Amusements." This subject, Mr. Hobbs thought, was not a very definite one, but he supposed the committee appointed had meant simply to obtain his personal views on this important subject. It seemed to be many thought an unreasonable standand that he rendered an unjust verdict against many of the amusements and so-called recreations of the day. Hence, with certain mental reservations, he felt happy to be permitted to speak for himself touching those things whereof he was accused.

The Christian church, he said, was that religious body selected and called out of the world by the doctrines of Jesus Christ to worship the true God in Christ. It might be a small body, "the church that is in thy house," and it might include the whole elect of God. The essential nature of the church is the same, whether studied from the one standpoint or the other. The essential nature of the church was the first subject. It was one clearly misunderstood by most Christians. If this were clearly understood by us we would soon settle the amusement question. It must be known that the fundamental idea of the church is that of separation, disjunction and disunion from the world. This will be seen from all standpoints when the church is studied, as seen in God's call to Abraham, and in God's revealed plan and purpose in the land of Canaan, even at the extermination of the Canaanites, in whose land they dwelt. Christ's teaching was unmis-takable on the point: "I have chosen you out of the world." The teachings of the apostles were just as clear and pronounced on the question of the separation of the church from the world as that of the great teacher himself. Mr. Hobbs quoted these words: "Be

ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers, for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness?" etc. The Apostle James had asked: "Know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God?" John said: Love not the world, neither the things that are of the world. For all that is in the world-the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life — is not of the Father, but of the world." The same gospel went on to compare the children of God and the children of the devil, showing that no sort of separation can be more marked or complete than that which in the very nature of things exists between the church and the world, between the one who serves God and the one who serves him not. The one is the child of light and the other the child of darkness. The one is dead in sin and the other alive unto God. How such a pair can live together, so as to

Following the separation of the church comes the idea of the consecra-tion of the church. The church was called unto holiness, and not unto uncleanliness. She is called upon to be holy, as God is holy. She must abstain from every appearance of evil. If we would know what the attitude of the church should be, she must be studied from the standpoint of consecration. The church is called upon to go into the world and preach the gospel. She is the salt of the earth. The spirit which actuated our Lord should actuate the church. We must work while there is yet time. Perhaps three-fourths of the land has not yet heard the name of Jesus, and yet, said Mr. Hobbs, "the church is off playing with the world." There is one point more in relation to the church, which will help us to settle the amusement question, viz., the source of supply. "My God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." The

heavens may well become black with

astonishment over the evils of which

the church of God is guilty today-in

tradiction and an outrage to the na-

ture of things. Mr. Hobbs then took up the subject of "Amusements and Recreation." This latter word relates to the healthy exercise of the body, while the former more especially related to the mind. What one is to the mind, the other is to the body. These two words were often used as meaning the same thing. People pleaded in justification of the various sports of the day, the need of recreation. Boys and girls must have recreation. Hence the existence of a score of clubs of one kind or another, for recruiting the life and vigor of our sons and daughters, cierks and trades-

From observation he corcluded that men. 95 per cent of the so-called recreation was dissipation. They must ride to school, to the shop, office and the playground in the day, and ride to the dance hall at night, to the skating rink, and spend hours there to recreate themselves. Then they rode home—all in the name of "recreation." "What a sham!" he exclaimed, "and the church will have it so, and that's another

There could be only one answer to the relationship of the church to amusements. "He that is not with me is against me, and he that gathers not with me scattereth abroad." Christ had declared. He knew of no organized recreation or amusement that can be carried on under the auspices of the church of Christ. All amusements come under the one or the other of the apostle's three counts, "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, of the eye and the pride of life." The latter was not of the Father, but "The works of the flesh the world. are these: Adultery, fornication, un-cleanliness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, variance, seditious heresies, drunkenness, revelings," murders.

The church of God today was asking what harm there is in dancing, and ministers of the gospel were declaring that there was no harm in it. Revelers, in Paul's gospel, were shut out from the kingdom of God. Paul condemned the very thing that almost to the very letter corresponds with the modern ball or dancing party. The church and dancing party and the prayer meeting is a contradiction, and to associate the carnival with the Lord's Supper was a blasphemy. The church was the wife of the Lamb, and this settled the question of legitimate relationship of the church to the amusements of the day. The church and the world could not walk together. All the organized amusement clubs he ever heard of were worldly, "and," he continued, "your sugar-coated charity ball, or calico ball, and charity concert cannot hide its worldliness and lustfulness. I am not sure your Y. M. C. A. can hide the worldliness of the various clubs under its auspices." The speaker would not like a son of his to be a member of a club that took him away from home and its influence. No adjectives could make that club a Christian amuse-The church and the world were going wild over amusements. agreed with what Judge Ferguson said at the Ponton trial at Napanee, that the majority of young men spent their time in frivolity and pleasure-seeking instead of, as in the old days, devoting themselves to reading and study, in their leisure time, thereby fitting themselves for good and 'useful lives. The advantages of meditation had become a lost art. Serious thinking was destroyed by the superabundance of club life. When ministers were called upon to preach about amusements, Mr. pretty generally known that he took very decisive views on this question—
began. They said there was no harm began. They said there was no harm but Mr Hobbs contended that if amusements interfere home life, school life, busiwith life and church life there ness was harm in them. If we did not safeguard our character, principles and life, harm would accrue from that which was harmless in itself. There was no in worldly amusement for the Christian. He had lived long enough to see that the home dance and the card party stood in the same relationship to the dissipation and which followed in the wake, as that of advice to young people was never to be found on the devil's territory, and

never playing with his tools. He had learned that the church condemns the idea of Christians coming to the world's entertainment for their enjoyment. He happy. did not go to the decalogue for the law which governed in pronouncing the verdict he did, but the very first law was sufficient to condemn every lover of pleasure, that gave God second place, "Thou shalt have no other god before me." He did not go to the Sermon on the Mount, though Christ had said, "Let you light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." The law by which he condemned all Christians who mixed up with and play with the ungodly was, "The law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus, that made us free from the law of sin and death." No Christian can drink of the spirit of the world, and seek its pleasure, and attend its amusement without outraging the law of the

spirit of life in Christ Jesus. Mr. Hobbs said he saw the effect produced in the spiritual life of his flock, and there he was in duty bound to sound an alarm in Zion, and the fact that other watchmen do not see the evil is no argument against those who

THE DISCUSSION.

Dr. Saunders agreed with the paper, but admitted there was a point that was lost sight of. There was nothing

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said about how, where or when recreation was taken. That physical sport

took his athletics in connection with his bath and felt much better for the ex-Rev. Mr. Morrison agreed with the general principles of the paper, but did not believe in indiscriminate condemnathe theater was an incongruity. The tion of all recreation. Judging the theaters by the posters, a Christian

could not countenance them, and for dancing he had no use. Rev. Mr. Gilmour had always admired Mr. Hobbs' courage. He agreed with parts of the paper, but must be allowed to place his own interpretation upon the terms "the church and the world." Many things that are called of the world are not so, but only those that are opposed to that which essentially is the spirit of the church of Christ. The apostles did not legislate for the nineteenth century, but for the first century. More harm than good is done by the way in which Christians talk of separation from the world.

Mr. Harris agreed with Mr. Hobbs in general. It wasn't the church's business to provide amusements. Rev. Mr. Walker enjoyed the paper, and in the main agreed with it.

believed that the stand of the church of Jesus Christ for holiness should be more strongly taken. The line between the church and the world was almost

obliterated. Rev. Dr. Smith was greatly pleased with the paper, which was less radical than he had expected, and if he was permitted to make his own interpretation on the statements of the paper, he agreed with it in toto. He believed the pastor's special work was to cultivate a strong spiritual life among his people, and these questions settled them- 6 years of a who is now with his

church engaging in dancing or theater going. Rev. Mr. Robertson, of Merritton was introduced, but did not express Mr. Munroe, of Dorchester,

was not record of the members of the

himself. commended the paper. Rev. Mr. Moffat appreciated the paper, although not agreeing with all its

definitions. Rev. Ira Smith sympathized with many years ing an active interest in he spirit of the paper. One of the lacrosse and ball. He was an active the spirit of the paper. One of the dangers of the time is the craze for amusement. It is a giggling, frivolous moderate drinking to drunkenness His age, and the church stands in jeopardy of the "mixed company" that came out

of Egypt. Rev. Mr. Claris enjoyed the paper. He believed that the church should make the work of Christ cheerful and

Rev. Mr. Fallis acquiesced in the paper from beginning to end. Spurgeon admonished his people to keep out of beer-gardens. The church has gone too

close to the border-line. Rev. Mr. Pedley thought that from Mr. Hobbs' standpoint it was an excellent paper, but that he was quite out of touch with that standpoint. He was sure Mr. Hobbs could not convert him, and he was just as sure that he could not convert Mr. Hobbs. Suppose Mr. Hobbs could carry out his scheme, and get all his young people together, and get a high wall around them, what ers to smok public and injure the would be the use of it? He thought health of nmokers, is it a proper that we should seek to make a man strong to resist evil, rather than guard

them against all temptation. Rev. Mr. Stuart thought the weak point was that Mr. Hobbs spoke of amusements as worldly, as evil in themselves. The church should not not give over those things to the devil. We should denounce evils in connection with them, but not the thing itself.

Rev. W. J. Clark did not agree entirely with Mr. Hobbs' interpretation of Scripture. We were admonished not to avoid "every appearance of evil," as the King James' version has it, but "every form of evil." The church and the world were divided from one another in the first century in a way they were not today. Many amusements were noticher bad nor good in themselves, but had to be judged by their effect. We could not live the monastic life, but must show ourselves wellrounded men. And proper recreation would help a man physically, mentally and spiritually. These things the individual must judge for himself. The Christian, must make the very best of himself. If his digestion were impaired, his theology would also likely be impaired. He pointed out that there was a decided distinction between games of sport and games of chance. The former were a benefit, the latter pernicious in their influence.

Rev. Mr. Hobbs, in reply, said that his young folks were so well satisfied with the gospel he preached, and thought more of five minutes of life as ruled by it, than by all the past. He was dealing with organized amuse-ments, and felt the tendency was evil, and only evil, and that continually. His own children enjoyed life as well as any people. He was thankful for all

OTHER MATTERS.

The early closing movement was discussed at some length, and it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the committee to interview all shopkeepers whose views have not been ascertained, and report at the next meet-

Rev. Mr. Moorhouse also asked to have better arrangements for services at the hospital, which were carried on in a haphazard way. An effort will be made to better the services. Mr. Clark, in this connection, men-

tioned having herd that the services at the Home for inarables were also negwas a benefit there was no denying. He | lected.

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o'clock yester afternoon. Mr. Sayers born in Cayuga, Ont., and entered comercial life in Hamilton, from whicity he came to London sixteen ye ago, with Mr. Samuel Sterling. Sinchen he had been bookkeeper for th firm of Sterling Bros. He was a wider, and leaves one son

selves. In the New Testament three aunt in Queb Mr. Sayersrother, the late E. U. Sayers, died six years a from heart trouble, brought on a cricket game. He leaves anothprother, living in New York. His mer and sister reside in Toronto. Desed was a life member and ex-presid of St. George's Society, a member of scan Lodge, A., F. and A. M., and ardent sportsman. for Conservative

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