

cannot justify us in throwing away the volumes after a hasty perusal. Good books, let us remember, should "silently among our household treasures take familiar places." Still more indefensible is the practice which has grown up of borrowing books and neglecting to return them. Not a person who reads this but can call to mind an instance of books loaned and never returned. I know a case of a man who has a varied assortment of volumes, bound and unbound. In this book-case Virgil leans for support upon William Morris, Darwin is in close association with Drummond, J. R. Green jostles Lane's translation of "The Arabian Nights," and an extensive collection of recent fiction serves to support the more serious authors, incidentally assisting to create an impression of versatile taste and unmeasured culture in the owner of—the book-case. For almost every volume in the collection is a borrowed one. They are not now read, the dust is gathering on them, and whether they will ever be returned to their owners this deponent knoweth not; but that is another story, as Rudyard Kipling would say. The foregoing is an extreme case, but it is an undoubted fact that people are, to say the least, extremely careless whether they return a borrowed book or no, and I cannot but think that this is evidence, not only of a lower moral feeling, but of a tendency to undervalue what should be should be a most precious possession.

The ancients, whatever may have otherwise been their failings, were never guilty of the charges above made, and therein I aver that nowadays people so: less store by books than their forefathers did. All who appreciate reading should love their books, and cherish them as among the greatest blessings which providence has placed in their path. As Wordsworth says, "Books, we know,

Are a substantial world, both fair and good;

Round these, with tendrils strong as flesh and blood,

Our pastime and our happiness will grow."

H. W. H. KNOTT.

The Church does not consist of the Clergy alone: it contains the laity also—laity with rights and duties, the majority of the flock for which the ministry exists. It is of the very fundamental truth of Church life: the ministers of the Church is the servants of his flock before God, and the servants of God to them.

#### Cricket Notes.

The Calgary Cricket Club hold their Annual Tournament from July 10th to 15th and the following is the order in which the games will be played:

Monday 10th—Calgary Vs. Pine Lake.

Tuesday 11th—Millarville Vs. Pine Lake

Wednesday 12th—Calgary Vs. Edmonton

Thursday 13th—Millarville Vs. Edmonton

Friday 14th—Pine Lake Vs. Edmonton

Saturday 15th—A North and South match by teams picked from Pine Lake and Edmonton for the North and from Calgary and Millarville for the South.

On Tuesday there will be a grand smoking concert, and on Thursday evening the annual dance. Judging by present appearances it will be a most successful tournament.

#### AUGUST.

Canon Newton on "The American Indian"

"Arnold's Ride," a poem by H. E. K.

Patriotic song by Rev. H. C. Andras

"O - Galician Immigrants" concluded

"Gardening Notes" by a market gardener

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