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An International Congress on the Protection of Infancy has been held in Geneva.

A German professor has succeeded in photographing objects by the X rays through thick iron plates.

Instrumental music has been introduced into Kilmaurs Parish Church, in the form of a large American organ.

It is pointed out that the cost of food to-day is about half what it was when the Queen commenced her reign.

Dr. Monro Gibson preached in Liverpool on a recent Sunday in connection with the jubilee of Canning Street Church.

The restoration of Canterbury Cathedral since the appointment of Dean Farrar has gone on apace. The sum of £12,000 has already been expended.

During the sojourn in Italy of Dr. McGaw, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in England, he attended the Waldensian Synod at Torre Pellice.

Dr. Parker, of the City Temple, on a recent Sunday night preached to a crowded congregation at Grange Church, Sunderland, to which town he was on a visit.

The Hood Memorial Evangelical Union Church, Glasgow, has rescinded the resolution passed about eighteen months ago against union with Congregationalists.

The Manchester C. E. District Union has added two new Associations and 1,000 members to its roll during the past year. It now includes 188 societies and 7,800 members.

From the Times correspondence on the state of the Anglican Church, it appears that there are upwards of 400 parishes in England where the clergyman's income is under £50 a year.

The Rev. Dr. John Watson and Mrs. Watson received quite an ovation from their Liverpool friends as they left by the steamer *Germanic*, en route for New York, on Wednesday, 16th ult.

A committee has been appointed by the senatus of Aberdeen University to consider what arrangements should be made for carrying on the work of Professor Johnston's class during the coming session.

Rev. D. McAdam Muir, of Glasgow Cathedral (formerly of Morningside Church, Edinburgh), preached in Crathie Church recently, when the Queen and other members of the Royal Family were present.

The forty-second anniversary of the battle of the Alma has just been celebrated. At dinner the Queen proposed the usual toast, "To the glorious, immortal memory of the blessed dead who fell fighting for me."

The bi-centenary of Fuller Church, Kettering, is to be commemorated by a series of services. The church was formed by Rev. J. Maxwell, rector of Kettering, who was ejected from his living under the Act of Uniformity.

Mr. W. Evans, of Western Congregational College, has been accepted for foreign service by the directors of the London Missionary Society. Dr. T. Cochran, of the Evangelical Union, Greenock, has been appointed to Mongolia.

The Pastoral Letter on "The Need of a Revived Spiritual Life," in the English Presbyterian Church, about to be read from the pulpits, has been written by Rev. A. N. Mackray, of Croydon. Conferences on the subject will be held early next month by Presbyteries and congregations.

The hundredth anniversary of the departure of the first missionary ship from England for foreign parts has been celebrated. The first party of missionaries, under the auspices of the London Missionary Society, then but a year old, sailed from the Channel on September 23rd, 1796, in the ship *Duff*.

A LIFE OF MARTYRDOM.

ENDURED BY THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM CONSTANT HEADACHE

One Who Suffered Thus for Over Twenty Years Relates Her Experience, Which Will Prove Valuable to Others.

From the Tribune, Mattawa, Ont.

Among the residents in the vicinity of Mattawa there is none better known or more highly esteemed than Mr. and Mrs. R. Ranson, who have been residents of this section for the past fifteen years. Mrs. Ranson has been a great sufferer for years, her affliction taking the form of dizziness and violent headaches, and the attacks would come upon her so suddenly that she could scarcely reach her bed unaided, and would be forced to remain for three or four days unable to take any nourishment and suffering more than tongue can express. She was but seventeen years of age when these attacks first came upon her, and the doctor who then attended her, said that in his opinion her life would not extend over a few years at most. But more than a score of years have since passed during the greater part of which, it is true, Mrs. Ranson was a great sufferer. But that is happily now past, and she is enjoying better health than ever she did. To a reporter of the Tribune Mrs. Ranson told her story, adding earnestly that she hoped her experience might prove of benefit to some other sufferer. She said:

"The spells of dizziness and intense headaches would attack me every three or four weeks, and would last from two to four days at each attack, and with each attack my suffering appeared to grow more intense. I had good medical advice, and tried many remedies, but with no beneficial results. In the spring of 1895 my appetite began to fail, my hands and feet would swell, and my heart palpitate violently. I was utterly discouraged and felt that I would not live much longer. One day my daughter urged me to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial, but I had taken so much medicine with no benefit that I refused. However, she went to town and got four boxes, and to please her more than for any hope of benefit I agreed to take them. I did not find the first box do me any good, but by the time I had taken the second my appetite began to improve and I could sleep better. I then began to have faith in them and as I continued their use found myself constantly getting better. When I had finished the fourth box both myself and friends were surprised to find that I had not had a headache for more than six weeks, the action of my heart had become regular, and I could sleep soundly all night. I was still weak, however, and decided to continue the use of the pills, which I did until three more boxes were used. Since then I have been stronger than at any time for years before and have not had an ache or pain. I can do my work, have a new interest in life and feel ten years younger. I feel that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will do for others what they have done for me, and believing this I am glad to make my story public in the hope that it will be of value to some sufferer."

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