26th Sunday After Trinity

Under the title of "The Persistence of Dogmatic Theology" (Westminster Review, November), Mr. G. G. Green-

been fabricated by the perverse in genuity of theologians." To quote says: as a sample of argumen he says: as a sample of some says: and colors of some says: and colors as little of white the says: and colors as little of the says: and colors and says: and colors as little of the says: and colors an leves (to take a few examples) that Elijah went up in a chariot to heaven; that Jonah lived three days and three nights in the belly of a whale under the sea; that dead persons have been frequently brought to life again; that multitudes have been fed on a few loaves and fishes. He believes these and a hundred other strange and miraculous things, and he is extremely angry with you if you venture to express the opinion that there is no evidence and, indeed, no foundation in ason to support such beliefs or any

"Now the devout orthodox may per-haps say that the very fact of the con-tinued prevalence of these beliefs is of itself a proof of their divine orig We can afford, however, to pass We can afford, however, to pass by such an assertion with a smile; for the truth is that so many causes conspire to maintain the existence of dogmatic theology that it would be indeed extraordinary if that existence were not almost indefinitely prolonged. It is all very well to shout Magna est veritas et praevalebit, but a very cursory study of human history is sufficient to show that falsehood, prejudice, passion, ignorance, superstition and credulity have constantly been victorious over truth and I much doubt torious over truth, and I much doubt whether the true maxim for this world should not rather be expressed 'Great is error, and it shall prevail!'

A MINISTER'S TEMPTATIONS.

Solemuity May Become Perfunctory Per-sonal Relations Difficult. Some of the peculiar temptations besetting the ministerial office were pointed out by the Rev. Dr. James Stalker, author of "The Life of Christ," in a recent ordination address in Free St. Matthew's Church, Glasgow. One of these temptations, according to Dr. Stalker, is that arising from the minister's position as a student. There is special danger as the student makes himself familiar with that movement of thought that goes by the name of

cal, although a great deal of current criticism proceeds on naturalistic principles. Opinions differ very much as to the probable effect of criticism in the field of the church, but on this I propulsed to the probable of the church, but on this I propulsed to the church of the churc nounce no opinion at present. What I wish to point out is that criticism looks only at one side of Scripture—the human side. The Bible has a human side, and the business of criticism is to collect all that can be ascertained about it. But it is possible certained about it. But it is possible to dwell so constantly and exclusively on this region of things as practically to lose the sense and the impression of to lose the sense and the impression of the other side of Scripture. But the Bible has another side, through what-ever human media it may have reach-ed us; it is a gift from the Eternal Spirit, and it is intended to be the food of the human spirit. For the apprecia-tion of this, however, there is requi-site a totally different sense from that site a totally different sense from that which weighs the pros and cons of evidence as to dates and authorships."

Other dangers which beset the minister come to him in his capacity as preacher and pastor, and one of the other dangers and constant and one of the other dangers and constant are shown a motivately distributed.

Many and many a time the farmer had had applications from city people to take them to board, but, as he said, he was "well enough to do," why in September, land a company of about two years ago, was to send out two years ago, was to send out

business, like that of other people. is to retain his position, give certain hours to study and certain hours to visiting, and he must make certain appearances in the pulpit;

America or Italy is tried; every new material tested; every hopeful process paiented. The great works at Hochst and he may come to perform these duties with an eye to those by whom he is employed. Thus he may descend from the pulpit feeling that he has done his duty and that his task is the second that has been driven the pulpit feeling that he has done his duty and that his task is the second that has been driven the pulpit feeling that he has done his duty and that his task is the second that has been driven the mothers of those gir's the second that he may descend the performance of the second that he with 300 workers had 45 investigators. The lesson that has been driven the mothers of those gir's the performance of the second that he has been driven the mother of the second that he may descend the performance of the second that he has been driven the mother of the second that he may descend the performance of the second the performance of the second the performance of the second the performance of t over, but with no anxiety as to whe ther or not any spiritual results follow. Only, if a minister yields to this state of mind, his work loses all its value and his own soul dies. He is no longer a minister of Christ, but only the mask of a minister; and, though his talent may be brilliant enough to maintain his position, his success is only a sounding brass and a tinkling selenium and rubidium, the miners and cymbal. It is only when a minister, as he visits, really carries on his heart the sorrows of his people, and, as he studies, feeds first his own soul with the Word, and, as he preaches, keeps in his eye, first and last, the spiritual profit of his hearers, that he merits the name he bears. I sometimes think that the causes of failure in the ministry are to be found mainly in this region. Failure is not due to want of ability or lack of diligence; but the unseen fibres which should take hold on the divine realities have withered;

The Bourgeois Relief-Advance of Free The Use of Organ, and the Active Music.

The Importance of Good Music.

The value and usefulness of music of Dogmatic Theology" (Westminster Review, November), Mr. G. G. Greenwood arraigns orthodoxy and cuts into established doctrines and beliefs with a blade tempered chiefly with ridicule. Among other things he finds it impossible to believe in the doctrine of the Trinity. He sees "not the slightest reason to believe in it," and even the most proselyting of the orthodox will not, he imagines, ask him to believe without finding some reason for such belief. The doctrine of the Trinity appears to him to be "the most preposterous of all the dogmas which have been fabricated by the perverse ingenuity of theologians." To quote briefly as a sample of argument he says:

"If, indeed, it were proved to me that this doctrine rested up a revelation from God I would, of course, accept it ocal and instrumental, as an agency



thought that goes by the name of ticism:

I do not call this movement skeptilishough a great deal of current say if I were to go flaunting about on the stage with bare feet!"—From Punch.

GERMAN CHEMISTS. - 20

Lead the World in the Practical Applie cation of Their Science.

The from coal tar have become a classical instance, or, as Bacon would have said, a glaring example. As we have stated, the Fatherlanders have captured these trades from us. Go to Elberwe are shown a laboratory unsurpaspreacher and pastor, and one of the greatest of these is professionalism. On this point Dr. Stalker says:

"The solmenity of even the most sol"The solution is a solution of the solution of expert witness told the Gresham Com-

emn scenes may wear off. Through the maximum number employed in any constant repetition the experiences which at first move the heart to its were so many. These men are unceasively entirely entire to the control of t depths may cease to impress. There is a sense in which a minister's work bay for progress is eternal virilence pay for progress is eternal vigilance. Every hint from England, France, America or Italy is tried; every new material tested; every hopeful process The lesson that has been driven home in the Fatherland is that indus- at the hotel, no matter what they had slope of Mt. Vesuvius, and presented trial processes carried on upon a large scale give great chances for discovery.
Just as gas making gave anilime, so
the scapboilers, lye yielded iodine, the

lum and rubidium, the acid chambers selenium and thallium, the miners and metallurgical works gallum and gradient with the core of the control of the contro

Grave Alice sits at Phoebe's feet, In tender converse, low and sweet: They speak of other huppy days Ere fame bestowed her smile and

Of gladsome hours in fresh pink mor Of womanhood in early down; The English mother they loved so, Who left them long, so long ago.

The little brother once they had, The tiny, pretty, winsome lad, With eyes so wondrous dark and deep 'Neath yellow leaves" that fell aslee They speak of joys that have beguiled Of many sorrows, vast and wild, Of paths they later will pursue. Of obstacles they must subdue.

Gay Phoebe's heart attuned to glee, Her sister's in a minor key, They speak of rhyme and favorite

Of songs the world hath yet heard not, Of cherished friends, of things they said, Of books they loved and lingering read Of music's sway, of air quaint, olden, Of dreams all rosy-hued and golden.

the hotels banged their hair straight over the eyes, and some of them were homely, too, and had had freckles.

What, then, she asked herself, made To tell the truth, Matty had not been tel, and the place had bloomed into a paradise for summer boarders. Be-fcre that she had been contented to roll her head, to work, in a very ordinary but methodical fashion; to make beds and sweep floors, bake, wash, starch and iron, take care of the children. help in the vegetable garden and do any duty that was assigned to her without a murmur. Her voice was quaint old songs, or talking to the little toddlers playing under the morn-

"Made in Germany" is now the rec. many hindrances to her own developognized trademark for chemicals ment; there was not a handsome feathroughout the world.

ment; there was not a handsome feathroughout the world. dyes and by-products derived fatter, and Maria Grim, her mother,

ed these trades from us. Go to Elber-feld, and what do we see? At the Far-benfabriken, besides first-class works, stairs, and the fragrance of good cook-

on the divine realities have withered; and, if this has happened, a man may be a respectable ecclesiastic, or a learned professor, or an eloquent orator, bue he cannot be a spiritual powtor, bue he cannot be a spiritual powthe rule of thumb."—London Telegraph.

awkward ngure, with no impolished ways, made her regret the office she had taken upon herself.

"You'll have to come to my boarding house for the present," she said, as she house for the present," she said, as she house for the present,"

looked aghast at the hat with its full-brown roses, the red and black suit, and the many eccentricities of tollet, and wondered whether she could ever teach her discretion.

Martha, accustomed to large rooms

and delicious country air, felt stifled in the box of a bed-room which was all her cousin could call her home. She felt that her dress and her manners ari her cousin could call her home. She felt that her dress and her manners were all foreign to the situation she courted and trembled at the idea of entering upon her new dutles, when had explained them. But after a night's rest—sleep she could not—and a few finishing touches by the dexterous fingers of her cousin, her heart grew stronger and she began her work with tolerable composure.

There was torture in store for her off which she had not dreamed, nimblefingered girls quizzed her and made comments upon her looks and awkwardness that reached her ears. Even her cousin seemed ashamed of her, and reddened at the remarks she heard from time to time.

The Captain and the Colonel rose to sether to leave the wine room. It would be better to say that they sat down together. For they were not allow to sether to say that they sat would be better to say that they sat would be better to say that they sat down together. For they were not able to rise without several efforts. And when they did arise it was with after a night's rest—sleep she could not—and they did arise it was with after a night's rest—sleep she could not—and they did arise it was with after a night's rest—sleep she could not—and they did arise it was with after a night's rest—sleep she could not—and they down together. For they were not the would be better to say that they sat would be profession, and was preparating to practice, having supplied him. And when they did arise it was with the necessary requirements. So after the wine you be now that they seed to move towards the door.

"There was torture in store for her of his family—a daughter, who had just graduated in his profession, and was preparating to practice, having supp

from time to time.
"I' hardly expected, Miss Martin, that you would bring me such a speci-

than, socially, she could ever atone won." for, and had made but little headway, either in the business of the good graces of her employers.

"Indeed, I believe you are right,"

said Martha, yearning at that moment

could have fallen upon his neck and hugged him. He was her father; he had always been kind and loving in his way. Freshrith her mother came down the road jo meet her.

"I'm proper glad to see ye to hum gacn, Mat," was her commonplace wellow. The property glad to see ye to hum agen, Mat," was her commonplace wellow. The property glad to see ye to hum agen, Mat," was her ecommonplace wellow. The property glad to see ye to hum agen, Mat, was her not maked by sobriety. Such mechanical ast her was a blovele of the femining gender-and as blovele of the femining gender-and is the property gender of the feminical gender and should gender the property gender of the feminical gender and as blovele of the femining gender-and is the property gender of the feminical gender and the gender and gend

Theed, I believe you are right, said Martha, yearning at that moment for the dear old home, the mountain that made it, in looking back, seem a very garden of Eden. "Nobody likes me people laugh at me; even you are ashamed of me," she added, with some show of defiance.

"Well, you see it don't come natural to you to take up new ways of work," said Hattile, her face growing very red; "I thought maybe you would get used to it."

"And so I might if I were pretty, and could be deceifful and say mean things in such a way that they could not ears. "Yes, you are right, it isn't natural to be here; it isn't my splace and I am glad I have found it out; and thank God I got a home to go to, and people who love me there, if I am homely and awkward."

So Martha turned her freckled face to ward the old place. Her heart beat twery high at sight of the familiar red farm wagon, and though her father orly said: "Well, Martha, he city didn't agree" with ye, did it?" she could have fallen upon his neck and hough her father only said: "Well, Martha, he city didn't agree" with ye, did it?" she could have fallen upon his neck and hough her father only said: "Well, Martha, the city didn't agree" with ye, did it?" she could have fallen upon his neck and hugged him. He was her father; he had done without it. But the had always been kind and loving in his way. Presently her mother came

The Captain and the Colonel rose to- | ber of his family-a daughter, who

And the second s

"Yes, wine!" cried the Captain.
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"Cradle!" cried the Colonel.
"What?" said Miss McKay.
"What?" said the minister.
"I sent you a case of wine," said the

Captain.
"And I sent you a cralle," said the "I-I-I've got the wine," confessed

minister.

"Yes," said the Colonel, "and then Miss McKay can keep the oradle."

"And the minister can keep the wine for the festivities," replied the Captain.

Miss McKay looked up and ceased

hours from that will be the day after,"
from time to time.

"Thardly expected, Miss Martin, it at you would bring me such a speciinen," said the foreman of the establishment. "Was she brought up in the backwoods?"
"I say, Hat, what a beauty your crusin is," one of the girls laughingly remarked as she passed her. "We have such a rush of custom! I never saw such bangs in all my life!"
"She don't make fun of her neighbors; at least she has that virtue," returned dartha's cousin; "and she can't help her face that I know of."
"Now, you're ironical," said the colonel. "But times espeeches hurt, and Hattle heard and raresneed them so often that at last she came to look upon her causin aimost with aversion.
"I think you have mistaken your avecation," she said one Startday to Martha, after a month's trial, during which the unfortunate girl had committed more sins against etiquette than, socially, she could ever a tone for, and had made but little headway, or and had made but little headway.

The Colonel reddened as he specified the Captain as the door frame the closure, or and had made but little headway.

The three cales in the heads as ever, I observed to closure, it would increase the measure of the domestic delight. So he selected a domestic delight. So he selected a domestic delight. So he specified as the domestic delight. So he specified the colonel in the doubt increase the measure of the domestic delight. So he specified as t Miss McKay endeavored to look grave.
But she did not venture to express
her disapproval. She was experiencing fant when the battle of Waterloo was won."

The Colonel reddened as he spoke. An ancestor of his had gained renown for the stand he had taken at the great British victory. Some said that the stand which he had taken was a silver link stand belonging to the great Duke, while those nearest the family averred that it was simply a convenient position behind a friendly tree.

The warrior felt the cutting reminder deeply. But he had not yet lost his acuteness. He simply a convenient to the stand selection behind a friendly tree.

Will, sir," she said severely, as the said to the two Christmas gifts.

But she did not venture to express her disapproval. She was experiencing a joy which could overcome the effects of the tracking been reduced to that extremity by an untimely observation which she had made many years before to the only lover that she had ever had that she admired most a mustache which covered that it was simply a convenient position behind a friendly tree.

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"Well, sir," she said severely, as the and to the two Christmas





THE

Author of "In the Midst The monarch in the Arabi ad an ointment which, put ight eye, enabled him to see he walls of houses. If the treet leading into a main to he clock struck twelve, he we held in a dingy back ro large building, a very stran He would have seen King Ch first seated in friendly conve me other than Oliver Cron The room in which these t le sat had no carpet and Brushes were litter

airs. A shelf extended a ide of the apartment, and it red with mugs containing p nd a wig lay in a corner. rors stood at each end of and beside them flared two protected by wire baskets. m nails driven in the w coats, waistcoats and trous more modern cut than the worn by the two men. King Charles, with his poin and his ruffles of lace, leane esquely back in his chair, whas against the wall. He was s very black briar-root pipe, haps His Majesty enjoyed the e more that there was just ad,tacked to the wall, a card containing the words,

card containing the words, ing allowed in this room, other part of the theatre."

Cromwell, in more sober had an even jauntier attitude King; for he sat astride with his chin resting on the it, smoking a cigarette in schaum holder.

"I'm too old, my boy," said "and too fond of my comfort. I have no longer any ambition an actor once realizes than never be a Charles Kean cready, then comes peace an joyment of life. Now, with different; you are, if I may affection, young and foolis project is a most hair-braine You are throwing away all already won."

"Good gracious!" cried impatiently, "what have I w "You have certainly won so resumed the elder, calmly, person of your excitable in play so well the sombre tack

"You have certainly won so resumed the elder, calmly person of your excitable in play so well the sombre, taci acter of Cromwell. You have several rounds, and the whiffs itself before you. You tered several languages, whi but one, and that imperfect have studied the foreign dra I have not even read all the Shakespeare. I can do a parts conventionally well. some day, do a great part as man on earth will do it, and will come to you. Now, yo will come to you. Now, yo recklessly to throw all this go into the wilds of Africa.
"The particular ladder you me," said Cromwell, "I have me," said Cromwell, "I have to climb; I am sick of the sn footlights and the whole at of the theatre. I am thred or reality of the life we lead. be a hero instead of mimickin "But, my dear boy," said filling his pipe again, "look at treal side of things. It costs to fit out an African expedition are you to get the money?"

This question sounded mor from the lips of the King the answer from the lips of the King the answer from the lips of cron "There has been too much too much expenditure about travel. I do not intend to continent with arms and the

At this point in the convertible to the janitor of the theatre print of the room and reminds brities that it was very la upon both King and Comwith some reluctance at themselves, the King become put on the ordinary of Englishman, Mr. James Sp. Cromwell, after a similar tion, became Mr. Sidney Or thus, with nothing of roys tatorship about them, the tup the narrow street into thoroughfare, and entered tite midnight restaurant, who belated meal, they continuous of the African prospence continued in looking of the maddest expedition