

SUKSESSFUL PREECHERS; OR, HOW TO GET THE BEST KALLS.

BY THE REVEREND PETER PUFFER, WICH GOT THE APPOINTMENT TO PUFFERVILLE CHURCH LAST KONFERENS (\$2,000 AND 2 MOS VAKASHIN.)

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TU GRIP,—I forgot tu say tu mi poor, weak bretherin who are studyin' mi letters, and tryin' to learn how to get a good kall, that they must keep a little in the bak-ground in working up the kall. Pull the wires of course, but *don't show your hand*. I find thare is still sum prejudis amongst Methodists in certain quarters against a minister who wurks up a kall for himself *too openly*. I herd only last week of a minister who lost a kall to the Metropollyten church, just by showing his hand. How much better and simpler it is to follo mi advise: get Jones tu wurk up yure kall, and you wurk up one for Jones. This prejudis will ware away in time, when we get the "kall sistem" substitooted fur the itineracy. I feel konfident that, with the powerful aid of mi voice and pen, and the help of the *Christian Guardian*, we will soon sekure the overthro of the itineracy, under wich men of grate abilities are never sure of a good situation, and may be appointed tu even a kountry serket.

Tu the bretherin on — distrikt who sent in a yunanemus petition askin me tu kum up and give them a week's korse of private lessons on "How to Get the Best Kalls," I wood say: Kant accept yure terms. Must make the membership fee \$25 each, and pay traveling expenses too.

Tu the bretherin' who have asked me how I manage to get mi sallery in full, and if I faver the free pews or pew rents, I wood say: Pew Rents bi all meens —if you want full sallery and a respektabel kongregashin.

REASONS.

1. Becauz Opery Houses, Theaters, Moosik Halls, et settery, all charge for a seat. Whi shood a man who has tu pay \$5 for a Opery ticket or to hear a star akter, get a free seat at the church? Isent the Gospel wurth just as much?

2. The Pew sistem shuts out the Riff-Raff peepel and gives you a respektabel and tony aujience. Nothing will weed out the *wurthless church supporters* like the Pew Rents.

3. Under the Pew Sistem everything is done, as the Apossel enjoins, desently and in order. We can put the hundred dollar subskribers in one row of pews—the fifties in another, then the forties, and so on, down to the poor trash, who kan only pay \$5 a yere. Sum uv mi members objektet at first, and sed pew renting waz unskripturel and wiked. So I preched a sermun on it—a trooly powerful diskorse—from the text: "Every man in his own order." I showed there wuz different orders in Heaven—and different klasses of saints on earth, and that everyone ought to go in his own rank and stay there, and no grumblin' about it. Ministers, of korse, on akount of thare supereur edukashin and virtyoo, would stand in the front rank of saints—then the \$100 subskribers, the \$50 subskribers, and so forth, down to lowest degrees of saintship. I dwelt eloquently on the propriety of having the different distinkshuns of society rekognized and illustrated in the church—not only from the sankshun of scriptures (like mi text), but also as a reward and insentive tu wealthy men who sakrifize so much hard kash for the church.

I showed the wikedness and krooelty of askin any

really refined and tony peepel to endure the shork of seeing thare own servents or footmen sitting next to them in church. I piktured the awful mental angwish wich a wealthy and refined lady (one of the \$100 saints) with \$500 wurth of millinery on hur pursen, would suffer to see hur own washerwoman sitting in the next seat—and perhaps the smell of soapsuds about her!

I made a eloquent perorashin—and killed the free pew kraze in the Pufferville church.

I'm glad Methydisim is respektabel in Pufferville. We havent enny of the labering klasses in the church or kongregation. A few of the churches in Hamilton aud Toronto are nearly as respektabel in this regard as mi own.

Let the Methodist peepel adopt pew rents everywhere, and we shall soon be as respektabel as other churches, and the poor trash will have to go to the *Salvashin Army*.



A TIE-UP.

IRON WORKERS ON A STRIKE.

PARTY MUSIC.

The merits of a new organ are thus described by a provincial newspaper:—"The swell died away in a delicious suffocation like one singing a sweet song under the bed clothes."—*Telegram*.

Is this a covert sneer at the *Empire*, which is a new organ of decidedly subdued tones? The description of the character of its music is not inapt. Its diapason swells and rolls with much volume of sound, but before its close the tune always dies away in ineffective smothered sounds as though the machine were being choked off. Is the organ wet-blanketed by the sense of its responsibilities and the impossibility of playing any tune to which all its hearers are ready to dance?

MRS. LANGTRY is terribly exercised, they tell us, because she is—horror of horrors!—getting fat. Well, what else can she expect if she *will* play fleshy pieces like "As in a Looking-Glass."

THE cable informs us that amongst the presents to the Pope are 12,000 pairs of slippers, and more are constantly arriving. His Holiness has beaten the record, even of the Rev. Rainsford.