

the problems that confront him. When we seek interpretation of the awful tragedy that we still fear may occur at Peking we are dumb. We can only shake our heads, and say, "We do not know. But somehow, somewhere, behind the dim unknown, Jehovah reigns. We may hold fast to this, feeling that out of slaughter, disaster, and atrocities, He will yet bring that which shall be for His glory and men's good. Here, in this trust, is rest. On the outer circle of the whirlwind is a force that tears to pieces everything that stands across its path. At the heart of it, they tell us, there is a calm that would not disturb an infant's sleep. Trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength," and herein is quiet that cannot be disturbed.

Health Column.

LONG LIFE IN TEN WORDS.

The essential conditions of long life may be indicated in the following ten words: Heredity, environment, cleanliness, exercise, regular habits, contentment, filial reverence, purity, life mission, godliness.

The case of Gladstone, for example, is an illustration of the presence of all of these conditions and some of them in a marked degree. Barring accidents, such a person is almost certain of long life.

HOW NATURE CURES.

An eminent nerve specialist has lately explained how and why it is that tried persons find in the parks and in the country, unconsciously to themselves, the rest that restores their worn and weary nerves. The scientific theory, stated in plain language, is that a change from the office or shop or noisy street to the calmness and beauty of nature actually switches the nerve currents to new lines of sensation, just as "central" at a telephone switchboard opens a line of communication, unseen to the caller, when the bell rings. In this entire change of thought and of sensation lies the medicine that ministers to a nerve diseased.

Every person of discernment knows that Nature is the best doctor, and it is pleasant to find science admitting it. Those who seek her ministrations will not believe in nor enjoy them less upon learning that they have a well-ascertained physical basis. It seems entirely reasonable that the over-strained nerves of concentration, for example, are relaxed and therefore rested when thought is suspended or diffused in a sort of miscellaneous enjoyment of the delights of the park or the fields. The frayed nerves of worry and perplexity and annoyance must get a respite when one is listening to the song of a robin or to the soft sifting of the wind through the pine branches. To start the currents on the nerves that convey to the mind impressions of pleasure—of the calm and peace and ineffable content of of nature—is "treatment" that none the less effective because it costs nothing and you are not thinking about it.

Indeed, the nature cure is better than the faith cure in this, that you don't have to exercise your faculties or your faith to receive its benefits. You simply sit still or walk or ride, and Nature, through your five senses, does the rest. It is not a new discovery, but the reason given for the fact is interesting.—N. Y. World.

The Reverse of it.

It is one of the commonest questions with congregations who are enjoying the ministrations of a new pastor—"How do you like our new pastor?" They like to hear him well spoken of and their own confidence and admiration are perceptibly heightened or depressed according to the nature of the reply. Their opinion is always affected by the opinion of others. A slighting remark made at the end of a sermon by a stranger in the congregation works injury to the esteem in which the church holds its pastor. Careless and critical words are arrows that wound to the death. A church is always affected by the general esteem in which the pastor is held. They like to know that he is "liked." But there is

another side. It is of some importance that a pastor likes his people. Not how do you like the minister, but how the minister likes you. There needs to be mutual liking. When the pulpit depreciates the pew is an evil scarcely less than when the pew depreciates the pulpit. No man is at his best unless he esteems very highly the works and character of those he ministers unto. It is his duty to think large and generous thoughts of them, to be appreciative and commendatory, to recognize and encourage their devotion and love. It belongs to the people also to gain for themselves the affection and esteem of their pastor, and to commend themselves to him as loyal co-workers and receptive hearers of the truth he preaches.

Temperance Column.

A QUAKER TO A SALOONKEEPER.

Several persons, among them a Quaker, were crossing the Allegheny mountains in a stage. A lively discussion arose on the subject of temperance and the liquor business, and these engaged in it were handled without gloves. One of the company remained silent. After enduring it as long as he could, he said:

"Gentlemen, I want you to understand that I am a liquor dealer. I keep a public house at ———; but I would have you to know that I have a license, and keep a decent house. I don't keep loafers and loungers about my place, and when a man has enough he can get no more at my bar. I sell to decent people, and do a respectable business."

He thought he had put a quietus on the subject, and that no answer could be given. Not so. The quaker said:

"Friend that is the most damnable part of the business. If these would sell to drunkards and loafers, they would help to kill off the race, and society would be rid of them. But thee takes the young, the poor, the innocent and the unsuspecting, making drunkards and loafers of them. When their character and money are all gone, thee kicks them out, and turns them over to other shops to finish off; and thee ensnares others and sends them on the same road to ruin."

Mission News And Notes.

In Uganda upwards of 5,000 converts were baptized in 1899.

There are 335,000 Protestant Christians in Dutch East India.

Fifty years ago there was not a Christian on the Fiji Islands; now there is scarcely a heathen.

Of the 34,000,000 people of South America it is estimated that 30,000,000 have never seen the Bible.

It is well to pray for the conversion of the heathen. It is consistent and helpful, also, to try to assist in answering our own prayers.

The whole empire of Japan is open to the Gospel. The first Christian was baptized in 1364. To-day there are over 10,000 converts to Christianity.

There are now 487 medical missionaries at work in the various countries of the world, of whom 246 are from America, 174 from Great Britain, and 21 from Canada.

Jesus gave the commission in "Matthew" to the apostles and above five hundred Christians. It was not to the apostles simply, nor to an organized church. Mission work appeals to the individual at conscience, is a personal duty.

Twenty-five years ago the great island of New Guinea was in total darkness regarding Christ and His gospel. Now there are 117 places of worship and a large proportion of the people earnestly studying the Word.

In New Guinea, a little more than a quarter of a century ago, there was not a spot in that great island where the name of God was heard nor

117 chapels can be pointed to where He is worshipped, and in those a large proportion of the people will be seen with open New Testaments in their hands.

Married.

MOSHER-DELOREY.—On October 16th, at the Baptist parsonage, Chester, by Pastor W. Jenkins, Wallace Mosher and Maria DeLorey, both of Western Shore, Chester.

PERRY-BARTLETTE.—At St. John, N. B., on October 12th, by Rev. J. L. Shaw, Silas Perry of Johnston, Queens Co., and Lizzie Bartlette of Cornwall, Kings Co., N. B.

CORSWALL-VAUGHAN.—At the home of the bride's mother, on October 17th, by Rev. N. A. McNeill of Hampton, Rev. S. H. Cornwall, pastor of the Baptist church at St. Martins and Annie L. Vaughan, daughter of Mrs. E. M. Vaughan of St. Martins.

HANNAH-BOYD.—Lodge Dufferin, October 18th, at the home of the bride, Spruce Point, Light Station, by Rev. H. D. Worden, Mr. Herbert LeRoy Hannah to Miss Roberta Beatrice Boyd, both of Charlotte County, N. B.

DIXON-WHITE.—At the parsonage, Hampton, Oct. 1st, by the Rev. N. A. MacNeill, Ralph Dixon and May White, both of Bloomfield, Kings county, N. B.

SERAG-KINNEY.—At St. George, N. B., Oct. 24th, by Rev. A. N. Lavers, Allen Sprag to Josephine Kinney, both of St. George.

LASKIE-PHILLIPS.—At the parsonage, Coldstream, Oct. 28, by Rev. J. D. Wetmore, Elvin S. B. Laskie to Genella E. Phillips, both of Mount Pleasant, Carleton county.

SMITH-WRIGHT.—At the Baptist parsonage, Andover, N. B., Oct. 26, by the pastor, Charles H. Smith of Bath and Mrs. Emma Wright of Fort Fairfield, Me.

HART-GOODSELL.—At St. George, N. B., Nov. 5th, by Rev. A. N. Lavers, Price Albert Hart to Jessie Goodsell, all of St. George.

Died.

GRAHAM.—At Newcastle Bridge, Queens county, N. B., on 16th inst., Thomas Graham, aged 80 years leaving a wife, four sons and two daughters to mourn.

BISHOP.—At Gasperaux, Chipman, N. B., on 14th inst., of cancer of the stomach, Charlotte, wife of Elias Bishop, aged 48 years, leaving four sons and five daughters.

BOWSER.—At Sackville, N. B., in the closing hours of the 6th of October Brother George Bowser, in the 88th year of his age, entered into rest. For many years our departed brother has confessed himself a pilgrim and a stranger on earth. For the past twelve months he has been living within the sound of the softest ripple of the eternal sea. He found the grace of God sufficient. He has left behind him to his widow, his children and his church the memory of a righteous life. As a citizen he was highly respected by all. In his death another of the links that bind us to the past has been broken. His departure was in peace. M. & P.

FREEMAN-MACMACKIN.—At Lime Hill, Havelock, Kings Co., N. B., Oct. 19th, at the home of the bride's father, Deacon Elijah MacMackin, by Pastor J. W. Brown, Burro Freeman, of Amherst, N. S. and Bertha MacMackin.

ISHOP.—At his residence, Harvey Bank, Albert county, N. B., Oct. 28th, Thomas Ishop, in the eighty-fifth year of his age.

TAIT.—At St. George, Oct. 2, of typhoid fever, Mr. Robert Tait, leaving a wife and one child and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

McLAUGHLIN.—At St. John, N. B. Oct. 30, Charlotte, infant daughter of Rufus and Stella McLaughlin. The parents brought the body to Goshen, Albert county for burial and appropriate services were conducted by the pastor and Fr. Jos. Crandall. "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

ORCHARD.—At Mill Cove, Queens Co., Oct. 23rd, after a few days illness, Phebe Orchard, aged 73 years, beloved wife of John Orchard and daughter of the late Deacon Ephraim Briggs. Our sister was baptized 51 years ago by the late Jos. A. Smith, and united with the church at her home of which she remained a consistent member till her death. For many years she had been a great sufferer from asthma, but was upheld by the Spirit and Word of her God. She was in her usual health up to a few days of her death. She was very happy in her last sickness, almost constantly she talked of going to her heavenly home, and being with Jesus. Calmly, peacefully just at the setting of the sun, those who were watching heard her whisper, "I Jesus Saviour come, and without a sigh or struggle sweetly as a child falls asleep, she passed away to be with Jesus. The remains were taken to Macdonald's Corner, the home of her childhood, where an impressive funeral service was conducted by the Rev. A. B. Macdonald, after which the casket covered with beautiful white flowers placed there by loving hands, was laid away in the family lot, to await the resurrection of the just. One brother alone survives her. Much sympathy is felt for the family in their bereavement, especially for the aged husband who has walked by her side for 46 years. They were all present at her funeral, except the youngest daughter, who was in a distant land.