

to use our Lord's Prayer, and I never have regretted it to this day, for I am sure I have been benefitted by it."

BEFORE THE TABLE.

At the Sessions in the Upper House of the Convocation of Canterbury, the meaning of the words, "before the table" was under discussion. It was finally decided that the meaning was "at the north end of the table."

After adjournment the blotter of the Bishop of Peterborough was found on which he had scribbled the following:—"The piper played before Moses." Now this may mean (1) that the piper played antecedently to Moses' birth; or, (2) that he played before Moses did; or, (3) it might imply that the piper played in front of Moses. But it means none of these. What this remarkable man really did was to play "at the north end of Moses."

A PASTOR in Northern Ohio says:—"I find that the members of my Church who take a religious paper are foremost in Christian work and most regular in their attendance upon the means of grace. This view is largely held by pastors. They have learned from experience that good religious papers are the allies of the pastor, helping him in his work and silently educating their readers to a higher sense of duty and posting them in the progress of Christian work."—*Standard of the Cross*.

THE United Presbyterian believes that a person can live and die a Christian without knowing it. But a more

important question is can a person live and die a Christian without somebody else knowing it."—*Christian Register*.

If you want anything done cheerfully, promptly, and thoroughly, go to those who are already crowded with work. Your experience has taught you that you cannot depend upon those who have leisure. While it seems to you that they could help as well as not, and so indeed they could, if they had a will, yet they will disappoint you invariably. Why have they so much leisure? It is not because there is no work for them; it is because they are lazy.

You never will find them driven with work, if they can possibly avoid it; and you never will find them doing the little that is laid on them with half the zeal of those who seem to have more on their hands than they can possibly do. And the reason that they have so much to do is because they have the spirit of doing: they are energetic and in their best element when most heartily employed. They have heart and feeling and interest; they have energy, will, and purpose; they are efficient and persevering; and no matter how busy they are, they will always find a way to answer your call, and they will do what they undertake. But with the people of leisure the chances are that when they have promised they will disappoint you. For a prompt Sunday school teacher, give us a mother of seven children, whom she has to wash and dress on Sunday morning, rather than one of those who have so much leisure that they never begin anything.