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### Editorial Jottings.

MANY ENTHUSIASMS are follies, only because they are not greater enthusiasms. — *George Macdonald*.

NINE HOURS A DAY, and no work on Saturday! Could any honest man expect more privilege! and could any patriot be content with less?

"A BEATEN PATH"—A S. S. delegate from Vermont said, "We are trying to make a regular *beaten path*, from the family—right through the Sunday School—to the church!"

IOWA.—A delegate from this Prohibition State, at the Pittsburgh Convention, said "It was the *Sunday School* that brought in Prohibition: and has since defeated the *Lottery devil!*"

THE YEARNING FOR VISIBLE UNITY would appear to be finding fruit in the Midlands. The County Baptist Association has met in a Congregational chapel in Leicester, and has appointed a committee of ten Independents and ten Baptists to formulate, as far as possible, a basis of union.—*The Christian*.

IN THESE DAYS of "Creed Revision," George Macdonald's description, from one side of the question, is a very graphic one:

"This terrible doctrine [that Christ died only for the elect,] was perfectly developed in the creed of the Scotch church; the Assembly of divines having sat upon the Scripture egg, till they had hatched it in their own likeness."

THE ENDEAVOR HERALD, a bright little monthly, (35c a year: 11 Front Street West,

Toronto,) organ of the Society of Christian Endeavor, says:

Last July the number of C. E. Societies in Ontario was estimated at 100, and this was probably an over-estimate. To-day we have the names of fully 200 with an aggregate membership of 10,000 or more, and there are probably a large number not reported yet.

IT WAS NOTICEABLE, at the "Believer's Conference" now an annual institution at Niagara-on-the-Lake—and at which a good deal was said in favor of Christ's pre millennial coming—that while the speakers were chiefly Presbyterians (a few being Congregationalists) few or none were Methodists. Is the pre-millennial coming not an "open question" in that communion?

A SPEAKER at the Believer's Conference at Niagara gave us this, as illustrating the difference which he was asked to explain, between "faultless" and "blameless." "A lady was teaching her little daughter to knit. She looked over the little one's work, and found some stitches down. The little girl's work was not *faultless*. But she was *blameless*—for she had done the best she could!"

Our frontispiece this month is a portrait of Rev. John Roaf, so well known in former days, in Toronto. By the kindness of Mrs. Dr. Richardson, we have been furnished with a lithograph of Mr. Roaf, representing him in his vigorous middle age. Our wood-cut, from the Toronto Engraving Co., is a faithful representation of the original.

THE Presbyterian General Assembly at Saratoga, New York, has by unanimous vote set on foot a committee of twenty-nine for revision of the Confession, which is to begin its work not later than October 31, and to report