coffrey Cuthbert Strange Replies in Plain Terms to a Recent Critic—He is Aided and Abetted by Allies who Handle the Psalm-ist without Gloves. I see by last week's Progress that a

nder of King David has arisen in our widst, and has had the courage of his convictions, insomuch as he has put them in print. I read his letter very carefully, and or woman stigmatize any amusement as Lover of David" had not written that letter long ago, and not having done so, why he had written it at all. Because, when I looked over my fyle of Progress and laboriously hunted up "Cecil's" remarks on King David, I tound that the offensive paragraph had been published on the 29th of March, nearly five weeks ago; and I wondered whether our friend had only just found out about it, or whether he-but perhaps he has been out of town.

ability of the redoubtable "Cecil" to defend himself, or herself, as "A Lover of David" says it should be, and I suppose he

known friend, "A Lover of David." I am glad you defended the ancient king, my dear friend, for he certainly stood in need of a defender. He was a grand old man in many ways! He was chosen of the Lord a prophet and a king, but what sort of an example did he set his people in some ways? I suppose it would sound irreverent to say that he betrayed to a terrible extent the trust placed in him. But no one can deny that he broke at least three of the commandments—not to mention another—in the most flagrant manner.

other character, habits, or doings of one who lived in the world's morning, and ruled a semi-savage people.

This "Lover of David" has scanned history's page, and found there, as he says, that "David was a highly honored pharisees—"let him who is without sin cast the first stone"—this "Lover of David" might catch yet a few pearls of truth, fly the prophet of the Lord as well as a king." Highly honored? How do we know this? Prophet was he? What did he ever prophesy? Think you the man who would calmly concoct a scheme to murder another man that he might take unto himself that man's wife, and take her even before the

murder in hot blood, like Cain's, but a pre- and noble man or woman who possesses murder in not blood, nke cain's, but a pre-meditated, cold blooded murder, which should keep his hands outwardly clean, while in reality they were red with blood. To my mind, history contains few such stories of heartless treachery as that same elicit the praise or applause of a real man

after him with a present, a mess of choice meat, "from the king." He even invites

The next day King David wrote a letter

to rake up his offences at this late day when he has been so long dead and buried, were it not that I think it a little hard for "Cecil" to be pounced upon for comparing
David's dancing with the modern form of anywhere in the bible that David did any- hands-that gives better clothing, better thing so awfully naughty as dancing "with a woman in his arms." No! Perish the base thought! He would not have been caught doing such a thing for worlds. the giver of that genius as worship? Were

evening dress, and I also love to see every or woman stigmatize any amusement as wrong because they have never indulged in it themselves, and therefore know nothing a woman in his arms, but it he did not, the thought it over dispassionately, with the wrong because they have never indulged in result that I couldn't understand why "A it themselves, and therefore know nothing about it. Neither do I consider it christianlike to brand any social gathering as "an assembly of ungodly people," merely because they chance to be indulging in a harmless amusement. From the christianless amusement at the second of the sec anity that despises all others who do not conform to its own rules, I say in all piety, "Good Lord deliver us." GEOFFREY CUTHBERT STRANGE.

SOME OF DAVID'S DEEDS.

that your Moneton correspondent, "Cecil David" says it should be, and I suppose he knows all about it, though he does call her his "unknown friend." But perhaps we justifying, the ball room of our day to the his "unknown friend." But perhaps we have all been mistaken about "Cecil," and he is a lady, though she certainly writes less than the standard of the standar very much like a man.

An unprejudiced reason, and an unclouded reticence of David's lover—a modesty and thouse, that need not debar me from and impartial spirit should, I think, be able of a belief in the dogma that by nature he However, that need not debar me from having a little friendly chat with my unknown friend, "A Lover of David." I am of the character, habits, or doings of one with sin, and deserving of torments eternal.

one can deny that he broke at least three of the commandments—not to mention another—in the most flagrant manner. He broke them backwards, as it were, the broke them backwards, as it were, the broke them backwards, as it were, the while her eyes were yet inflamed with weep-will be henored. To begin with, he coveted his neighbor's wife, then he proceeded to make use of his power as king, and he stole that man's wife in his absence!

The next step in the king's downward with the covered and proceeded to make use of his power as king, and he stole that man's wife in his absence!

The next step in the king's downward with the covered and proceeded to ing, is such a man as would be honored among any people—savage or civilized—cultured or varbaric? Think you the author of Psalm xxxviii, merits respect?

The next step in the king's downward with weep-ing, has made the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an mande the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an anticolor and the sum of the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an anticolor and the sum of the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and that in an anticolor and the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and the sum of the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and the sum of the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment, and the human mind and neart and frame capable of enjoyment and frame capable career was a murder. Not a bold open Is the cix. music in the ear of a true murder of the brave, loyal and unsuspicious or woman? Do these indices of character impel any admiration, respect or honor. The king sends for him, and is gracious to him. He was a captain in David's army, I fancy, so David asks him how the war prospers, and how Joab and all the people are. Then he sends him down to be governed by the avamples of David are governed by the avamples of David be governed by the avamples of David by substituting that he was more or less connected with the fair sex through his whole career. His first love seems to have been Michal, but the soon fell a victim to the fascinations of a charming young widow named Abigail.

This "Lover of David" states, upon what In next day King David wrote a letter to Joab, the general in command of his forces, and ordered him to set Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and to retire from him, finishing the letter with the plain statement, "That he may be smitten and die."

In s "Lover of David" states, upon what authority I am unaware, that "David did not dance with a woman in his arms, nor in an assembly of ungodly people," but he says, "he praised God in the dance as an act of worship," and for the mode in which he did so worship, and the kind of draw he die."

I really don't think David's sin would have looked half so hideous to us, if he had not always made so many professions of looked half so hideous to us, if he had not always made so many professions of looked half so hideous to us, if he had not always made so many professions of looked half so hideous to us, if he had not always made so many professions of looked half so hideous to us, if he had righteousness, and if he had not been a trusted servant of God. The higher the pared with that linen ephod of your highly cevation the lower the [41]. And the worst of the whole thing is that the king never seems to have the slightest idea that he has done anything out of the way.

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Just as if nothing at all had happened.

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He kept the tenor of his way,
Just as if nothing at all had happened.
He had carefully observed the eleventh
commandment, "Thou shalt not get found
out." At last he thought he had, and
when his offended Lord sent Nathan to
sentence he had to the cool sequestered vale of life
usual evening dress rather than the linen
ophod. But those who dance to-day worship in the dance. They who enter the
ball-room with thoughts as pure as the
light of stars, as they should be, and as I
believe they are, worship in the dance as
when his offended Lord sent Nathan to
sentence him is reasonable to the life of the North:

Oh, woman, in our hours of ease,
Uncertain, coy and hard to please,
but—
When pain and anguish wring the brow,
When pain and anguish wring the brow, when his offended Lord sent Nathan to accuse him, it was a long time before he could understand what Nathan meant, so and sinew, with grace of movement and an words of accusation, "Thou art the man,"

and sinew, with grace of movement and an ear responsive to the symphonies of divine melody, with a body clothed as directed by David is absolutely dumbfounded. He listens in silence to his sentence: "For arms keep time to the throb and thrill of thou didst it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." nature, that made them as they are. And Now we all know that King David was I believe a God would vouchsafe to more punished for his sin, and suffered bitterly, before the Lord restored him to favor, but that his sin was finally "put away" and forgiven, so that I should be sorry indeed sunshine and plucking none of its sunshine and plucking none of its flowers—

I know we are not told work and prevents the weariness of many caught doing such a timing for words.

Indeed he had a rooted objection to being the knees made only to bend in prayer?

Caught doing such a timing for words.

Were the hands made only to lift the

Indeed he had a rooted objection to being caught doing anything. Although history tells us how he peeped at a lady from the roof of a house, when she had no idea that he was looking, it does not say whether anyone saw him doing it or not.

""A Lover of David" says the king danced as an act of worship, and he asks Cecil Gwynne if "she" dances that way.

Now I don't dance at all, myself, and I

DAVID AND HIS DANCING

don't wear "the usual style of evening dress" which he seems to disapprove of, for the excellent reason that a man's neck and throat are built more for strength than beauty. I think even Amelie Rives admitted that a dimitted that So when we want to look these desires public and pure to admitted that some properties of the second strength than beauty. I think even Amelie Rives admitted that So when we want to look these desires public and pure to admitted that some properties are publicated to the second strength to the sec than beauty. I think even Amelie Rives admitted that. So when we want to look lovely we have our vests cut low, and our shirt collars cut correspondingly high. But I love to see a lady in a charming evening dress, and I also love to see everyto follow where nature and reason lead the way, holding high in their devoted hands

probabilities are that either he did not Michal were common attributes of the women of David's time, they certainly would decline dancing with this highly hon-

ored prophet.
When "A Lover of David" states that "he did not dance in an assembly of un-godly people," he of course implies that now I have the utmost confidence in the Now I have the utmost confidence in the lility of the redoubtable "Cecil" to deside the redoubtable "C disreputable. I am sure that society people everywhere will feel much flattered by

has made the human mind and heart and A LOVER OF LIBERTY.

More of David's Record.

"And now we have turned back to be come better acquainted with the fine old man: what do we find?" We find that although David was not in every sense a ar prospers, and now Joab and all the some soft of the examples of David, and sends messengers ter him with a present, a mess of choice of the ball room or for any other place, the ball room or for any other place, and sends messengers ter him with a present, a mess of choice of the ball room or for any other place, the ball room or f meat, "from the king." He even invites
Uriah to dine with him, and "he made him drunk."

"The data to the sour reason and our consciences tell unless our reason and our consciences tell us that his example is worthy of being followed?

"The data to dine with him, and "he made him drunk."

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"The data to dine with him and "he made him drunk." mashed on a woman "very beautiful to look upon." She was not, strictly speaking, "in the usual style of evening dress,"
(as "Cecil Gwynne's critic will be glad to learn) and although bathing, bathing-suits were not au fait in those days. It is contended that Cecil Gwynne cites David as a

[For PROGRESS.]

YOUNG CANADA TO NEWFOUNDLAND Once on a time you flirted,
Then threw me over, hand and heart—
Alder Fourset/ deserted.—
But unlike petty lovers, I
Would smile at your reverses—
More chivalrous by far, I ply
To win again your graces!

Now richer grown, with house, and home;
And numberless, broad acres,
Louns, Stocks, Annutties—and some
Hard cash to pay the fakirs—
My credit, too, is passing good,
Deemed, far and near, a nation— All, all is yours, and more, dear, should You hint Confederation!

No longer need of worry, when—
Our hearts together wedded—
Your care-worn Mother scoids, for then
The trouble will have ended—
Modus viewed would assume
Quick modus operandi I
The sprightly Frank might fret or fume,
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Dear Isle, your love is all I pray;
And beg that you accept me—
If not—adleu! Go your own way,
Prove Schiest of the Schy!

A TRIOLET.

"Tis the blithe month of May—
And where's my umbrella?
A type of Spring day,
('Tis the blithe month of May),
With no sign of Sol's ray
To cheer up a fellow)

'Its the blithe month of May—
And where's my ambrella?
—CASET TAP.

THE THYCKKE FOGGE PAPERS. NO. IX.

Our symposium of last Wednesday was our symposium of last twenteesty was not largely attended, as there were other attractions that kept some of Us from ap-pearing at the hospitable home of Our honorable friend. Second of Us was in high dudgeon at the remarks the Senator had made with reference to him and the young lady to whom he was attached, and had refused to come on this particular evening. Our host enquired after him and smiled when he heard the reason for his absence, simply remarking that "Our companion would come to his senses

hither and yon, now on one subject now o We ran through the ordinary another. topics of the weather, the prospects of cheap excursions to New York when all the competing lines should be in full running order, the chances of the new club being fully furnished "ere the corn is waving," and the despotic course pursued by the government in putting an extra duty could see any humor in the articles contributed to a morning paper by an alleged numorist, and so on.

The Senator had not taken much part in the talk that ebbed and flowed around him, but sat quietly smoking his pipe and quaffing his choice five year old, until some casual remark from One of Us roused him "I have been thinking a good deal about

the fair sex since the last time we met," said he, "and have come to the conclusion that, as a general rule, man knows very little of or about his sister, woman, and will never exercise his slender stock of knowledge by what he can find out from her. Of course the older a man gets the more he becomes versed in the wily ways of the dearer portion of humanity, which leads me often to wonder why some youngster, some innocent untrained bantling probably in the first flush of his first dree coat and white tie, is often chosen to respond to the health of the ladies, at banquets, dinners or assemblies where toasts and speechmaking are in order. Now what in the name of goodness can such a man as that know about them? He may have met in the course of his short so-ciety career a hundred charming girls with whom he has danced a few tim he has addressed a few words, and of or about whom he knows absolutely nothing. And yet, forsooth, he is dragged to his feet in a perspiring state, with a wild hope that something may happen to save him, to respond to this toast, and his response usually has as much to do with the subject as We have with the new Superintendent of the Asylum Annex. No, my friends, the man who should answer to the toast is a married man, one who has become, so to speak, hardened to all the tricks and manners of Our superior officers; one who of his palace "in an evening-tide," became knows what it is to come home late from the office and be met with scowling brows and words of reproach; one who has been through all the miseries of house-cleaning, and moving, and who has also travelled through a long valley of illness, and knows what it is to find a patient, watchful, sleepless, affectionate, tender woman, ever ready to smooth over the rough places, never taking to heart the impatient querulousness of a sick man, (than whom no living creature is a greater nuisance), was "before the Lord." Both are wrong.

For though on the occasion referred to,
Michal exclaimed to her high-spirited
husband "How glorious was the king of
husband "How glorious was the king of
comfort that mortal can do. The

When pain and anguish wring the brow, A ministering angel thou.

Some of the younger members of Our oterie thought that the Senator was a shade hard on the fair sex, but there were One or Two who filed out into the damp dank, dark fog with a feeling that the Hon Thyckke Fogge must have to speak so feelingly.

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AN IDEAL.

A PROVIDENTIA

Had it not been for the the first year of the civil adventures of Capt. Harsen enerchantman, American Chegone the rounds and been They were told and retold for many years, and now newspaper or magazine has to "Harsen's Romance." whole, is full of interest. In the spring of 1861, whate aboard of the Englit tress, and when three days bound for the Gulf of the American Chief, home loaded with Indian produce before, at a violent squall had been washed overboar was now in charge of the ship was taken home, Coported dead, and six year had been forgotten by all tions, he suddenly turns dumbfound everybody.

In August, 1867, 1 was Sea King, a small but st between Cape Town and ship was a feeder for the ers. We took machinery from them at the Cape, as wool and other products width of the Indian Occevery voyage, with never for the waters to first a

every voyage, with never for the waters to fret a voyage was finished.

One morning in the morn

voyage was finished.
One morning in the monthe hour being about 8 o'c and sea light, the lookout in a boat dead ahead and in a boat dead ahead and away. I went forward winade him out very plain in on glass was needed. It ing boat, provided with in he had let fly his sheet at falling on the waves to were up to him in a fewer were up to him in a fewer was able to the exclamations of ast craft was half raft and ligether in the roughest structed of driftwood. grass mat. The man at was clothed in a single the same material as the made a large mat and pu an opening in the middle the waist. His hair fell and his whiskers reached looked a veritable Rip our surprise was so great. our surprise was so great past him without extendi we got him aboard, he captain, extended his har "Captain, I am Captain, I am Captain, I am Captain the whole where a specific captain to the captain to the

Boston ship American Captain.

"Can't say. I was lyears ago to the north o
"You don't say that.
Harsen?"

"But I do. My deat ported in the papers, but he have a bite to eat at all about it."

When Capt. Harsen his story he had more will give his adventures but in my own way. swept his ship and cart took along a lot of destriking out for himselt crate in which two kat he journey to Cape Tenough to float two me although the seas useseveral hours, he p danger, and finally fe himself, and even get knew that he was drivit he seas, but as to how ing the thirty hours houly be guessed at. If figured at five miles asleep when cast ash he soon discovered tha verdant island about Madagascar, with the sand insect life. The and insect life. The water rat on the island mal, and he never so sort.
The island was a litt

were several springs and nuts in abundan make him afraid. As a the Captain began to and he finally conclusat on one of the miles to the north of gascar. Subsequent that he was more than reckoning. Holding in his location of the figured that he had of with patience and all Aldabra Islands wer fishermen, who caught tain fish-food for the (no other idea than the off within two or three to the control of the con