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the wrong signal. "What has happened". said Mr.
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who has some interesting nexs sto come who has so
municate.
"A freight train has run off the tract "How did that happen ?" said Mr. Hamilton.
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nal. The engineer said that if he had given the right signa
rot have occurred."
Making the wrong signal cost a man
his life. There is another sense in whic the wrong signal sometimes occasion
the loss of life-of life spiritual. The preacher who fails to declare the way of salvation, as it is lain down in God's
Word, who teaches that all men shall be saved, or who teaches that men ma secure salvation by their own works,
gives the wrong signal, in consequence, men take th
to perdition.
The private Christian, whose reputable
standing in the Church and in societ give influence to his example, pursues a course of conduct utterly ineonsisten
with the injunction, " Be not conforme to this world." The young Christian is led to practice a similar course ; b
degrees he loses his spirituality, and be degrees be loses his spirituality, and be of the wrong signal led to the disaster. A professing Christian exposes him-
self to temptation. He has power to resist the temptation and escaper un-
harmed. One of less power is led to To him example, and falls into si

| BHLIGIOUS MISCELIANV. <br> IF ANY MAN SPEAK LET HIM SPEAK AS THE ORACLES OF GOD. $1 \text { PETER iv. } 10 .$ <br> The great themes of Methodist preach ing in early times were repentance, faith and holiness. Wedeprecate any salvation by wholesale, achieved by slurring over any of these individual experiences. Ever and anon classical tutors are threatened with loss of scholars by the popularity of new methods of teaching, set forth, with manifold puffery, as " Nature's own," or the like. On examination, the secret of swiftness will be found to consist mainly of doing the pupil's construing for him, and leaving the grammar lesson out. Celerity obtained by omission is theologically fashionable just now. In many quarters convincing speech is denounced as legal. The fallow ground is unbroken. Men are in such haste to sow that they cannot wait to plough. In their husbandry the Gospel seed-basket is everything. Share and harrow lie idle. <br> Diligent toil may-if the generation be gainsaying-win only slow success. Who does not banker for vast results? May God give unto His ministers seals multitudinous as the converts of Pentecost! But let them-far rather let them-be few and true, than count up into crowds and be spurious. <br> The salvation of a soul is heart-work, not head-work, it becomes a peaceful heart, it issues in a holy heart. Salvation cannot be learned off, or got by rote. "Did Jesus die for all men?" " Yes." "Do you believe that?" "Yes." "Is it not true that he that believeth shall be saved ?" "Yes." "You be. lieve : then, clearly, you are saved.' <br> Ah! this salvation by syllogism is a delusion. "Jesus died for me," minified into the mere premiso of an argument in an impenitent lip is as worthless as any Shibboleth bigot ever framed. Precious truths so held are in mortmain, and are harvestless as seed corn in a mummy's hand. Thousands can get through the narrow steps of that poor mental exercise ouly to realize that in its hosom lies a sophism, and that its conclusion is a lie. | Q. But if you have him there, with Jesus in viow, why not tell him to believe? <br> A. I do so tell him. But ordering my requirements of faith after God's own method, 1 claim it first for the Divine statements concerning wretched, damnable, helpless self; and then for the record given of His Son, Conviction of $\sin$ is a necessary antecedent of saving trust. Who seeks food until he is hungry? or shelter until he apprehends danger? or medicine until he knows himself to be siek ? Seeing that men will neither seek nor care for a Saviour until they feel themselves to be sinmers, with this we begin,-this testimony we press home,--this word of God we will have believed; then presenting the crucified Lord, as Paul teaches, "The righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith." <br> Q. You talk as if "reconciliation" were a thing divinely willed merely, Does not Paul (2 Cor. v. 19-21) teach that it is accomplished? God is reconciled. Why do you maim the message? Why do you not tell that Gospel-that good news every where to every man? <br> A. We should be very sorry to clip or cloud the magnificence of God's free love, yet let us not confuse things. God was recenciled to the world in Christ eighteen centuries ago; to $m e$ when in the act and moment of faith I accepted Christ. Reconciliation to humanity was planned in eternity, justified on Calvary, proclaimed in the Gospel, and is true forever. Reconciliation with individual men is accomplished, realized and experienced, when sin is renounced, the Saviour embraced and the Gospel trusted. Atonement was accepted from Ohrist the moment he offered it ; accepted for me the moment I claim it. <br> Q. Why pray for faith? Why pray for that whici the Bible calls upon you to do: <br> A. Dare you go through with that principle-never to pray for anything which the Bible calls upon you to do: <br> The fact is, through the whole process of salvation, God is a giver and man is <br> a receiver. It may foreclose controver: sy, however to remember that faith is prayed for in one sense, and exercised | THE FABM AND THE FOUSE <br> USEFCL RECELPTS FOR THE SHOP, TKE <br> HOUSEHOLD AND THE FARM. <br> In washing calicoes in which the colors are not fast, be careful not to boil them ; but wash in the usual way with soap, and rinse in hard water. For dark colored goods, add a little sait to the water; for light, a little vinegar. <br> In tempering long taps, to keep them straight, take a bucket of clean water, and stir it around with a stick or hammer handle until a centre is formed ; then plunge the tap, already heated, endwise into the center, allowing it to cool before taking it out of the water. <br> The following is a simple but sure way to tell good from bad eggs. Put them in water enough to cover them. All that lay flat, as they would on a smooth surface out of water, are good. These of which the big end rises are bad. The vessel used should have a smooth, level bottom. <br> In cases of a sudden jar, knock, or jam of the band or fingers, immediately after the blow press the injured part, with the uninjured hand, say between the thumb and forefinger, and gradually let up on it. It will nearly always remove the pain, and generally any swelling, that might occur under the ciroumstances. <br> In making whiffletrees, they will be stronger if the front side of the whitletree is nearest the heart timber and the backside toward the bark; they will retain their shape longer if the timber be split in this direction, across the grain of the wood. <br> Seth Wright's Sheep.-In the year 1791 there was a farmer of the name of Seth Wright in Massachusetts, who had a flock of sheep consisting of a ram and some twelve or thirteen ewes. Of this flock of ewes, one at the breeding time bore a lamb which was very singularly formed; it had a very long body with very short legs, and those legs were bowed. If this peculiar build had presented no practical utility, it would probally have disappeard in time; some of the offyruing of the lamb in question would have inberited their parents' |
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