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Tue Vicar of All Saints, Lambeth, sad recently that preaching to empty pews has a most depressing effect upon the preacher-more depressing than can be imagined. But the empty pews seemed to have stirred the vicar himself, for, it is said, he substituted five minutes' scolding for the Jubilee scrmon his parishioners did not come to hear. It is disgraceful, he remarked, that upon such an occasion the parishion ers are absent from their church. As the parish priest, 1 denounce their conduct from the pulpit.

The Rev. Dr. Somerville, in reply to the joint petition to him from the Free Clurch Presbyteries of Orkney and Shelland to visit the islands, says that while he was profoundly impressed with it, he was unable to take advantage of this, the proper season of the year for visiting the islands. It was indispensable that in the meantime he should give rest to both brain and nerves. The call to visit Bohemia in the autumn, which, if entered upon, would occupy several months, was looming before him; and the future year was yet too distant to be arranged for.

Dr. Parker writes: A clergyman of the Episcopalian Church will not preach for a Nonconformist minister, on the ground that he does not acknowledge the validity of Nonconformist ordination. In other words, the Nonconformist is not a minister at all, in the Episcopalian sense; yet that same clergyman can preside or officiate at the anniversary of a Nonconformist college, whose one object is to prepare young men for what is to him a non-apostolic ministry. Is the clergyman consistent? How can ree recognize preparation for illicit orders? How can he wish well to students for whom he will not preach when they become ministers? Ought a Chancellor of the Exchequer to preside over private mints, to congratulate the coiners, and then reject the com as spurious?

In the Contomporary Revicu Archdeacon Farrar writes with passion agamst "The Drink Traffic in Africa," whose four divisions he takes one by one, in order to parade proofs of the extent and destructive infuences of that traffic. Into the small island of Lagos, for instance, whose capital has only 37,000 in. habitants, Europe sends every year $1,231,302$ gallons of spirits. Even the natives themselves are protesting, and every branch of trade is being injured : for, as the Archbishop of Canterbury says, it is an anti commerce that is being established. The profits made by some of the drink sellers are 700 per cent. Dr. Farrar concludes with violent invective against the political idolatry of spurious liberty and laissczfaire, which permits these horrors to continue.

There is a strong reaction sctting in aganst the number of branches taught in the common schools. The Boston School Board has taken a novel step in regard to the education of the children under its control, and henceforth the common school curriculum will omit all but the simpler branches of arithmetic, it being felt that the mind of the average chitd is more likely to be injured than improved by the effort to impress upon it the meaning of rules and formulas that older people find it difficult to comprebend. The change was made at the suggestion of prominent educationists, and meets with general comr-adation in the press of the city, by which it is regarded as a piece of humanitarian legislation, the beginning of a reactuon against the too 32 rind $_{\text {n }}$ nin : 00 severe course of studies it has been the custom to require, and the benefits of which have ieen frequently and on the highest anthornty questioned.

Tue fife-fourth annual report of the Upper Canada Religious Tract Society has just been issued. The good work carried on by this excellent institution ought to have a still wider appreciation and support than it has yet received. By its means many are
reached and savingly benefited, who might not come within the range of other agencies. A new and pressing field for its operation has opened up In a cir cular just issued it is stated that, since the annual meeting, an argent call has come to the society from those interested in colportage in Mamtoba and the North-West. Representatives of the Boards of the Bible and Tract cincieties took occasion of the meet ing of the Presbyterian General Assembly in Winnipeg to confer with the officers of the Bible Society in that city, and were informed on the best authority that the great need of colportage work among these people is that colporteurs should carry not only bibles, with which the majority appear to be already well supplied, but also religious beoks and tracts, of which there is great dearth in most places.

In English congregational colleges there is what may be termed a new departure. The Mi:nctiester Guardiun says. We understand that a copy of the following resolution, adopted by the committee of the Lancashire Independent College, at their meeting on Monday last, has been sent to three of the four professors of the college. Resolved, That the committee, being of opinion that a cearrangement of the subjects of teaching in the colliege is desirable in the interests of the institution, would suggest that Dr. Hodson, Professor Turner and Dr. Thomson should leave their chairs at the disposal of the committee in the summer of 1888. Professor Turner has held the chair of Church History and Philosophy seven years, Dr. Thomson, that of Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis eleven years, and Dr. Hodson has been connected with the college twelve years, including five in the chair of Science of Religion and Apologetics. The reason assigned for this unusual proceeding is to bring the professors and students into fuller harmony, and to make the teaching more suitable to the requirements of the time.

Tue Canadzun Independint has given voice to a feeling that not a few sensible people strongly entertain. It may be that fond parents like to see their children daintily dressed and marching in line, and no doubt many of the pupils enter enthustastically into the spirit of the parade, but it is a toilsome and misdirected piece of tomfoolery all the same. The Irdrendent has the floor. Of all the absurdities of our Toronto Jubilee demonstrations that of marching 10,000 schonl children through the streets under a burning sun, and the sun did burn during the Jubilee holiday of Toronto, is about the greatest. The moral cffect of training our youth in this absurd leve of display, to the overshadowing of the practical ends to be gained by school instruction, of itself is sufficient to condemn the practice in any thoughful person's mind. The effect on health in many cases is confessedly injurious. Partial sunstrokes are not among the unknown results, to say nothing of the anxiety endured by many, very many parents. All this, however, goes for nothing in the eyes of some school offictals, whose vanity can find no other avenue to public notice, and whose only clam to gratuude is that they do no greater mischief to the cause of education than is being donc.

AT 11 indsor, during the Jublece week, a curious incident occurred. Principal Ramy and Dr. Somervilte attended to present a loyal address from the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland. Several deputations from Ircland had passed in before them, and the Home Secretary, who made the presentations, had got a little mixed in his mind. He had a note which he occasionally referred to, but, as every one knows, Mir. Natthews' ejesight has suffered in this Session's work. Accordingly, when the two ecelesiastics made their appearance, he inwroduced them, in a clear and ringing voice, as "The County of Tyrone!" Dr. Rainy looked statuesque negation, the Queen smiled outright, and the Home Sccretary, making a dash at his paper, announced "The Church of Scotland!" Something seemed still to be wrong; but an Irishman refuses to be put into a corner twice, and as the Home Secretary
rapidly presented "the Rev. Principal Rainy, Mode rator, and the Kev. Dr. Somerville, ex-Moderator," the two gentlemen bowed low, and passed from the presence. They are satd to have ascertained afterward, with a view to the Giaetti, that the note in the Secretary's hand had been a correction : but it ap. pears that a Lord Chamberlain is not the only officias who is awkward at handlang the three-headed Northern thistle.

THE waste of money in England, especially in London, says the Christhan Leader, is enough to bring down a judgment on the land. It will not always escape the retribution of Providence-let vain and arrogant men fancy what they may ; and the day will come when our descendants will revile the memory of those who left public burdens unlightened, public needs unsupplied, while they wasted immense sums of money. The Imperial Institute is bad enough, with its cumbering of the ground at Kensington, its absorption of hundreds of thousands, for nobody knows what end, its forced levics upon the wages of workmen and soldiers. But what shall we say of the Goldworkers' Company who use $\$ 15,000$ in distributing $\mathcal{L} 5$ gold coins amongst themselves? It will not do to say that a company is never to spend money for enjoyment or luxury. If an individual may do so, un. questionably an association has the same right ; and it would be a queer world in which no one ever spent in freworks or flowers, or music, or other indulgences. Yet there is always the inquiry, How far and how much ? besides the other inquiry of the nature of the indulgence. We instinctively disapprove any brutal or barbaric outlay and call that waste, berause the end is not worthy or beautiful. Now, imagine 600 men of sense and moral judgment dividing amongst themselves $\$ 15,000$ ? simply that each may have a new minted coin !

A meeting of the Executive of the Manitoba Provincial Alltance for the suppression of the liguor traffic was held recently in Winnipeg, the presidert, Rev A A. Cameron, in the chair. The piscipal matter of business was a proposition to commence a general local option campaign throughout the Province, under the provisions of the Manitoba License Act. Mr. W. W. Buchanan, a former chairman of the Alliance, lias present and addressed the Executive. He referred to the effort of three years ago, when the Scott Act petitions were circulated, and everything lonked bright for a lively campaign The temperance pe ple of the Province responded heartily to the call at that time, and took hold of the work in a manner that indicated certan victory at the polls. This campaign was baulked by the discovery that the counties marked out by the Provincial Government would not be recognized by the Federal Government as counties in the meaning of the Act. Legal advice failing to give a safe definition of a county in this Province, the campargn had to be abandoned. Under the license law as it now stands, he pointed out that the object then sought could be accomplished with much less effort than under the Scott Act. A petition of twenty-five per cent. of the houscholders in any municipality would bring the submission of a by-law refusing to partucipate in the license fec, and such a by-law being adopted by a majority vote of the electors, no more licenses would issue in the municipality. Twenty-five per cent. of householders were much casier to get in this country where there are so many non-resident property-holders than twenty-five per cent. of the electors. Then the penalty for selling without a license was for the first offence $\$ 250$, or five times as great as for the first offence under Scolt Act, and for second offence $\$ 500$, again five times as great as second offence under Scott Act. He assured the Executive that prohibition sentiment was stronger in Manitoba than in any Eastern Province, and that a general vote in this line would be certain to resulf in bringing great strength to the prohbition movement of the Dominion. The proposal was beartily endorsed, and steps were taken to give it effect at an carly date.

## Our Contributors.

## SUMMER THAIEL AND SELFISHNESS.

by knoxonlan.

The best of us have a good deal of selfishness to the square inch. Nobody can tell how much until summer travel begins. The very time that people ought to be specially obliging, generous and companionable is the time that all the innate selfishness of our nature seems to come into action; and the action is not lovely. When the other departments of human nature are having a holiday, the selfishness department does the most lively business.
Mr. and Mrs. Tourist are setting out for their summer trip. They are fairly agrecable people around home. Nobody suspects them of carrying more than the average amount of selfishness about their persons. At home they are quite as generous as the majority of their neighbours, but the moment they set out on their summer tour they want the best of everything and are bound to have it.
As soon as Mrs. Tourist takes her seat in the car the selfishness comes into play. She spreads herself and her belongings over two seats. Her grip sack and band boxes and other traps paid no fare, but they occupy as much room as if they had bought two or three tickets. If Mrs. Tourist can manage to make her little dog occupy another seat, her triumph is complete. While Mrs. Tourist is spreading herself and her goods and chattels over as much of the car as possible, Tourist is performing the same unselfish operation in another part of the coach. He also has two seats. On one he adjusts the trunk of his precious person; on the other he places his elegant No. fourteens to keep company with his overcoat, hatbox, nshing tackle and other holiday arrangements. The only thing that grieves Tourist is that he cannot bring in his boat, and make it occupy three or four seats. Of course there are other people in the cas who have paid their fare and expect a seat, but what of that? Mr. and Mrs. Tourist are on their summer rip, and are not bound to respect the rights of anybody.
Having travelled a certain distance by rail, Mr. and Mirs. Tourist take a steamer for the remaining portion of their trip. For illustrations of unalloyed, unrelieved, unmitigated hoggishness always commend us to a crowded steamboat. Mr. and Mrs. Tourist of course want the best state room on the boat. They have no more right to the best room than any other persons on board, but they want it and must have it, or they will make a fuss. They also want the best seat on deck, and if they can manage to spread themselves over four chairs while other people stand, they feel all the happier. They also want the best seat at the table- the seat next the captain if possible. The captain may not hanker after their company $t 0$ any great extent, but they are bound to force their society upon him if possible.
Once upon a time this contributor happened to be on a,steamboat with the Premier of this Province. (We do associate with big people at times-that is to say, we sometimes sail in a steamboat with distinguished people.) At tea time there was a rough and ravenous rush for the table. The customary number of swells and codfish aristocracy made a bolt for the seats near the head of the table. Mr. Mowat took a seat near the foot of the lon'r table, along with this contributor and several other individuals, who thought they could rub through this world without the distinction acquired by eating near the captain. When the passengers were seated and about to make the attack, the $\therefore . . \mathrm{ptain}$ sent one of the waiters down to the other end of the table to invite Mr. Mowat to come up and sit at his right. With some reluctance the Premier went and took the seat of honour.
But where are Mr. and Mirs. Tourist? By this time they have finished their journcy and are putting up at their lotel. Of course they want the best of everything in the house. They must have the best room and the best place at the table and the best at-tendance-the best of everything. And if they don't get the best of everything they growl and scold and make a fuss generally.
There is no place on earth where you can more casily distinguish between a real gentlemar: and a vulgar snob than in a crowded hotel or on a crowded steamboat. A realgentleman makes no fuss when he travels. He respects the rights of athers; and takes
things good naturedly as they come. Having plenty to eat and drink at home he does not feel the necessity of making a hog of himself at every public table. Having a good room at home he does not need to make a fuss over every state room and hotel room in which he happens to stay over night. The selfishness of travel is largely shown by pretentious nobodies who starve eleven months of the year in order that they may gorge and put on style on the twelfth.
Moral: People who travel have equal rights; therelore don't occupy four seats in the car, or trample over people on the way to your victuals.

## ON THE EAST COAST OF FCRMOSA WITH REV. G. L. MACKA Y, D.D.

by c. a. COlman, canton, china. (Coneluded.)
Dr. Mackay says: "I suspect every Chinaman that applies for baptism ; every one. There may be a quarrel between him and his neighbour, or a rich man may be oppressing him, or there may be a lawsuit pending, and he thinks that by joining the Church he will get help from the foreigner, or at least he will see that one of his members gets fair play and the advantage, if there is any." Here is a case in point : A man came a long distance every Lord's Day to chapel, and seemed much in earnest ; the preacher noticed him, and spoke of him to Dr. Mackay, who asked: "Why does he come so far to chapel every Sunday?" By and by the man brought one and another of his friends till, at the end of two years, fifteen or twenty were coming every Lord's Day; then he said to the preacher: "Why can't we have a preacher in our village, we come so far? I will give my own house to meet in, or we will build a place." This was reported to Dr. Mackay, and the preachers who were consulted were in favour of the proposal. Dr. Mackay said: "I cio not believe in this man; but, to satisfy you, tell him to put up a place, and we will go there and preach, and afterward send a preacher." The man went off with his friends, and put up a bamboo building, costing perhaps $\$ 35$ or $\$ 40$; and Dr. Mackay went to preach in the village. He soon found out that this man was the head of a clan, and that all his clan, and those of his clan only, came to hear the doctrine ; and also that there was a lawsuit between this man and a blind man in the same village. Dr. Slackay said to him : "Now you have a preacher here, but do not dare to hinder any one from coming to hear while I am here." This went on for about a year ; in the meantime Dr. Mackay heard the blind man's side of the story; then the man asked for help and influence in the case; but he said: "Did any one promise you that? I have been fair and above-board with you, but 1 will have nothing to do with such things." The man became an enemy forthwith, and the preacher was soon moved to another place. Dr. Mackay says. "Another missionay might have had a similar congregation from among the blind man's friends ; indeed I could get a company of thirty or forty in any town in North Formosa, who would be willing to furnish a place to preach in, if I would supply a preacher; but they would be such people as these."

Another man, the wealthiest in a small place or the west coast, tried all in his power to get Dr. Mackay to send a preacher to his village; he would give his own house free for a mecting place. Dr. Mackay set inquiries on foot, and soon found that junks were frequently wrecked at this place, and the mandarin runners were in the habit of "squeczing" this man, because he was wealthy. His idea was that, if his house was made into a chapel, it would be protection for hint, as, of course, Dr. Mackay would appeal to the consul to help one of his converts.
At Hoan-sia-thau the foople were very orderly in entering the chapel, and in sitting, standing and going out. When Dr. Mackay said "Let us pray," I closed my eyes and stood up, but I could not tell whether the people rose or not till I saw them stt down. The people of this village and these of Sin sian have the same native dialect, which cannot be understood very well by the people of other villages; but these dialects are dying out.
Next morning we went on to Sin-a-han, where 120 persons listened to the Gospel. There are fifty to be baptized here next time, against whom there is no objection. The chapel is part of a house.
About noon we got to Ki-bu-lan, where eight per-
sons were baptized, and 100 attended the preaching. The chapel here is part of a house also.
After passing the Chinese town, Ta-koe, and a hot spring by the roadside, we inalted for the day about half-past three in the frame chapel at Toa-tek-ui.
In the evening too people were present at the preaching, and four infants were baptized. These people get timber out of the woods in addition to farming. About ninety men were away in the woods at this time.

The converts have, during the past two months, put a new straw roof on the chapel, and whitewashed it inside and out, at an expense of about $\$ 1,200$.

When I asked Dr. Mackay: "Do you report these sums spent in repairing, and so on, as money sub. scribed by the converts?" he answered, "No, I have no time to attend to such small matters." He does not think the giving of money a good test of a man's Christianity; men will give money from un. worthy motives, as they will go to church from the same motives. For instance a Chinaman, a Christian for twenty-one years, never refused to give mones. He gave $\$ 50$ at once on being asked on one occasion, yet he only goes to church twice or thrice in the year. He does not believe in pressure, and would rather a man gave ten cents willingly out of a loving heart than $\$ 100$ because he was pressed.
His aim in all his work is to train up and educate a Christ'an ministry, and to build up a self-supporting Church, and he says, "If the Church in North For. mosa were now left without foreigners or foreign help, I believe it would grow and prosper. The people know enough of the Gospel to appreciate it, and a each chapel they would manage to find sufficient to support a preacher, so that he might give himseif wholly to the work of preaching and teaching."

Next day was the Lord's Day, and after a short ser. vice we went on to Ki-lip-tan, where thirteen wert baptized, and the Gospel preached to 120 persons Tha chapel here is built of stone and plastered About noon we got back to the " Margaret Machar Memorial Chapel." The people had put up a ner bamboo fence since we were here before, and the chapel was decorated with green branches of trees, and plants in pots.
During the afternoon Dr. Mackay had nearly ail the preachers from the chapels in the plain for a find address. In the evening, between three and fou hundred partook of the Lord's supper, many having come a long distance to be at this closing meeting. It was a privilege I enjoyed very much, to sit and look into the faces of this happy, joyous companf (their faces and sices were an index to their hearts. and hear them sing to our Redeemer, Jchovah, the ever blessed Triune God, Father, Son and Hoir Ghost, the praises due unto His holy name.
After the service, Dr. Mackay had the elders and deacons in his room for a conference, and when! awoke at half-past two o'clock next morning, I heard them singing. Next morning, March ${ }^{1} 14$, after sing. ing a hymn and giving notice of changes in the ap pointments of preachers, we bade them good-bye, and started on our way back to Tamsui ; some followed to the river which we had to cross. Dr. Miackay wis very quiet all that day, until other matters engaged his attention.
The man wh had followed us to Tan-ma-lenos our arrival met us before noon, and begged Dr. Mat. kay to come to his village and have dinner ; everythis? was ready, and he wanted him to look at the groud they were willing to give and the timber they had ga out, but he would not stay, because, if we delayed now it would be dark before we could get to our hation place at night. When I ventured te say to Dr. Mac kay, "Pcrhaps the man will be discouraged when after making all this preparation (they had killed at water-buffialo and a pig), you refuse his invitation' he answered, "There is a difference of opinion, if bi is in earnest now he will be twice as much in earces next time; I like to test them. This is not the firs: time I have passed by a place where they had kille two buffaloes; if we should accept all the invitation we receive we would have ten new chapels and station in as many months. Mr. Colman, I have alwas uskerstated the extent of the work in Formosa, thoug some people think I have cxaggerated it ; when ib people say one hundred I say fifty. Instead of m having now to go and strive to open stations, it people are coming to me begging of me to instroc them and to scind them preachers; but one canoo
do everything at once, it takes time." From the top of a mountain we took a farewell view of the Pacific Occan, and beiore night arrived at Ing-siaug-khee, where the stone chapel is going up. The masons said they had had only four fine days; the progress of the building showed they had made gnod use of the time. Next night we stayed at Kelung, and the day following reached Banghan. On' Thursday morning, December 17, about eleven o'clock, we reached the steamer landing. The steam launch had not yet arrived; when she did we went on board and they started off at once without waiting for any other passengers.
We got to Tamsui about one o'clock, having been away nineteen days, seven of which were finie. We travelled about 240 miles. The roads in the plain during the wet weather were simply mud, the worst 1 have seen in China; it would have been easier travel. ling in the flooded rice fields.
We visited twenty-six towns and villages, in twenty-four of which there are chapels, and Dr. Mackay and Pastor Ahoa baptized 213 persons, and preached to more than 3,200 , besides extracting 1 don't know how many teeth.
Before Dr. Mackay visits them again the people in the plain will have built four new chapets, and the stone church at ing-siang-khee will be finished. He sent a preacher and his wife to the village, where he was so pressed to stay to dinner, a day or two after we arrived at T'amsui.
From March, 1886, to March, 1887, 315 persons were baptized in the whole mission, sixteen died, making a total of eighty-nine deaths since the mission began; there are now 2,546 baptized nembers.
There are two native pastors, thirty-eight stations with thirty-eight preachers, fifty-three elders, forty-tive deacons and twenty students.

## HOW TO CONDUCT THE PRAYER MEETING.

BY THE REV. A. T. WOLFF, D.D., AI.TON, M.I.
It is a trite but true saying that the prayer meeting is the thermometer of the Church. It marks the spiritual temperature. If the praver meeting is cold, formal, dismal, you will find the Church a moral refrigerator to chill out spiritual life. If the prayer meeting is full of enthusiasm and life, has the blaze of the divine presence, you will find a warm, spiritual, working Church. It is, therefore, of the utmost importance that the prajer meeting be properly conducted.
A properly conducted prayer meeting depends upon both leader and people. I would not underrate the magnetic power, tact and influence of a deeply spiritual leader; but unless the people study God's Word as a preparation, and go in the spirit of prayer, his best efforts will be little better than useless. If both leader and people go there with the thorough imbuement of God's Spirit, there will be an interesting and spiritual meeting.
The general idea is that the pastor should lead the meeting, and usually this seems the proper thing. If there be laymen who are efficient leaders, the pastor had better share the burden with them. There are a great many preacher-killed meetings. The minister opens with a long prayer, lectures half an hour or more, a few hymns are sung, two or three elders pray, the benediction is pronounced and the people go home. No wonder the prayer meeting dwindles to small proportions. Dr. Gray, of the Interior, says that two or three D.D.'s can kill any prayer meeting. He is right.
The subject for the meeting should be practical, and should be aunounced the Sabbath before from the pulpit. This gives the people time to go prepared with a few words, a passage of Scripture, or a hymn bearing directly on the topic. The lesson should be read early in the meeting. The leader should sound the keynote in a short, pithy address. Let the people take up the subject with a half-dozen or more short talks. The hymr.s also should be in the line of the subject, so as to keep the unity of the meeting. But there should be sufficient elasticity, so as not to shut out any matter of Christian life or experience that may be near the people's hearts.
The prayers should be brief and pointed. A longwinded leader and two or three old saints can pray any meeting to death. It is very easy to run into the habit of using like the heathen "vain repctitions," and
expecting like the Pharisec "to be heard for much speaking." I used to know an eccentric old minister who usually compassed the universe in his prayers. He made a fine prayer, it couldn't be otherwise, for he generally quoted several books of the Bible in the course of it, but on one occasion as he sat down, some one else was asked to pray. A bad boy growled out loud enough for all in the house to hear hin, "No use for Uncle Blank to pray; the preacher has asked for everything."
We have not yet passed the period of long prayers. I would not do as 1 saw a brother minister do a few years ago, take a call bell into the stand, and if a brother prayed over two minutes tap him down. But I should insist on short prayers. The leader should regulate the prayers in has meeting. le brief yourself, and insist on the same in others.
As far as possible, the exercises in a prayer mecting should be voluntary. It has a congealing effect to have to call on a person by name to lead in prayer. It is a good plan to make a list of all the members who will take part in the meetings. Say jou have thirty orforty who will do so. Divide the list into four or five classes, and then notify the members of each class that, when it is their turn, they will positively be expected to be present specially prepared to speak and pray as they have opportunity. This will prevent the meeting from lagging, and will stmulate others.
Many of the ladies should take part in the prayer meeting. I can imagine our old divines of fifty years ago, and some modern ones, raising their hands in holy horror at this suggestion. But when 1 remembe the grand work our ladies are doing for missions and temperance ; that the best workers in many of our Churches are women; that many women have achieved successes in medicine, law and as lecturers; that many of them are accomplished lecturers in the home, it does seem too bad that their mouths should be closed in the social meetings of the Church. I for one will hail the day when, in all our Churches, the voices of our devoted Christian women will be heard not only in praise, but in prayer and testimony for the Lord who hath bought them with His own precious blood.

Other suggestions I would add in brief.
Begin at the tme announced, and close promptly on the hour.
Let there be no stiffness. Make every one feel that h.e belongs to the family.

Be yourself. De natural. Use no holy tones, and indulge in no funcral faces. Let the people be themselves. If some brother indulges in stentorian tones, all right. The mighty blast of powder is as essential to blow up the rocks, as the constant drops to wear them away.
Above all, recognize the divine presence, and pray for the divine help. The prayer meeting should be deeply spiritual. As Christ's people cannot meet in His name without His being in therr midst, let everyone be hallowed and sweetened by His Spirit. Thus shall these meetings be blessed to our spiritual growth. And we shall go out from them better prepared to resist temptations, and to fight manfully in the conflict that tries us.

## SPECIALIZATION IN A THEOLOGICAL COURSE.

## Mr. Editor,-The articles which appeared during

 :he winter in the Knor Collige Monthly bearing on this question show plainly that there is a lurking dissatisfaction scinewh $r$ re with reference to the present curriculum, or rather curricula, in theology in that coilege. I say curricula, for the trouble scems to he in the curriculum for the degree of B.D., rather than in that of the ordinary theological course. One writer suggests " a division of the studies of the college (Knox) into two clear parts: those departments that mif,ht be compulsory, and those that maght be optional." Now, the actual studies of the present theological course required by the curriculum are Exegencs, Bible Cruticism, Apologetu. S, Church History, Systematic Theology and Homiletics. Which of these, I ask, are essential, and which might be made eligible? The principles of Exegetics and the ability to put them into practice are certainly necessary. The only question that may be raised here at all is, Whether the exegesis shall be of the English translation of the Scriptures, or of the Greck andHebrew also ? Biblical Criticism is necessary; i may, in some manner, be said to be a sub-department of Exegetics. Apologetics is, witheut doubt, in essential part of a course in theology. It is the depirtment far excellintic at the present time. Church History cannot be dispensed with ; on the contrary a more extensive knowledge of the history of other branches of the Church besides our own than is generally required would be a valuable addition to the learning of our ministers. Systematic Theology is the ground plan of a man's theological repertory, Homiletics, too, is indispensable as well to the theologian's success in practical life as to his general knowledge. They are all alike necessary, and, therefire, ought to be, as they now are, compulsory.
Again, so far from this curriculum of study being too extensive, it is found aduisable to supplement it by lectures on other subjects than those mentinned. True, "the field is too large for thorough investigation in three sessions," short as those sessions are; but no one ever dreams of completely mastering any one subject in any single college course, if, indeed, in a lifetime. At the best, we can only acquire a little knowledge, along with the faculty of acequiring more, and of applying knowledge already altainicd. For example, Apologetics is a life study. It is, in fact, the great guestion of the age to be able to defend the ductrines of Christuamty and the authenticity and authority of the Scriptures; and actual intercourse with man in daily life, coupled with theoretical practice, is the only adequate means of mastering it. No college course or curriculum can be rendered perfect. If, then, it errs by defect, or by excess in any particular, while, at the same time, it is made as conprehensive as circumstances admit, the student should only be guided by its imperfections in the further pursuit of his studies.

It is quite evident, then, that specialization in a short threc-term course is as mpracticable as is the mastery of the whole curriculum. But it will be found that most men specialize after their college days are over. And should they not be encouragedto do so? I have often thought it a thing to be regretted that in theology a man may complete his course and be licensed without proceeding to a degrec, whereas in the arts and sciences a course is considered incom. plete until a degrec has bcen conferred. I admit the difficulty is one that cannot readily be removed in the present status of education, especially as the demand for clergymen is so urgent. Would it not, then, be advisable to re-arrange the B.D. curriculum, so that more of nur students would be led to graduate in theology? Certainly the degree should not be cheap ened by any means. But a proper readjustment of the curriculum would not cheapen the degree. In order to proceed to the degree of B.D. in Knox College, according to the present arrangement, the student is required to pass to examinations, or, rather, an examination in two departments (for both may be written upon at one examination). The second is but a continuation of the first, as both are in the same line of study as the ordinary course.
A much better system of examination ior this degree, it seems to me, Mr. Editor, would be to allow the first of these two departments to remain general, very much as it now stands; but let an option be given in the second. For instance, let a man be graduated in some one of the following departments : I. Apologetics; 11. Greek Testament ; III. Hebrew Scriptures; IV. Systematic Theology, or, V. Church History and Pastoral Theology. This is the plan adopted in Trinity College, and it is found, I believe, to be very satisfactory. Many men would graduate in some one or other of these special courses, who will not do so while the curriculum remains as it is now. The standard of scholarship would be raised, and an increased wealth of theological literature might be looked for as one among the many other good results.
I have writuen this letter, Mr. Edntor, feeling that some change in the B. D. course is necessary, and in the hope that the matter may be brought to the more immediate altention of our ministers, and thus rec.eive the consideration it deserves. As a student of Xzox College I am an interested party. T. Nattress.
Spanish River, Algoma.
There is much truth in the obscrvation that nearly all the effective workers of the world, and especially those who carry forward special enterprises, are per sons full of hope.

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UY Y, A, M., ilivth.
Why do the many look up to the few Who till the high positions of our land? IIonnured we fecl if they but shake our hand, What phantoms we pursue!
Why drown with discuntent thy kingly mirth? Why illy think, "what joy to sit in state?" Ah, fonlish man, prosition makes not great,

Nor wealth, but honest work

## Empty the honour man so man doth pay, <br> Nor pleasure, longer life, nor wit, nor worth: They pass-they fale away.

Envy not those on whom the world doth fawn, But carly seck to make thy peace with God;
Lonok unto Christ, andit read the path lle trod; Faint not-but follow on.
THE GOSPEL AFLUAT.
Ten days' sojourn in "the City of the Sultan" can only furnish a very meagre conception of the tions ard life of a town so vast, so varied and so picturesque. The narrow streets are themselves a panorama. They are crowded from sunfise to sundown with a struggling throng which one mught well mistake for a masquerade, so fantastic and various are the costumes worn. The shops are called so by complipient. They are simply boxes. Beggars and cripples abound. It is a Bedlam. The hot air is filled with shrieks and cries of all desuriptums, and is heavy with unwholesome smells.
The bazaars present somewhat of a relief to the weary, sun-dazzled traveller. Everybody should see the great bazaar of stamboul. A literal hise of small shops, it is sheltered from the sun by being arched overhead. It is a labyrinth teemung with never falling interest. The great mosque of St. Sophia must not be overlooked. It 1.4 massive, and majestic in proportion, but disappomeng grandeur and tawdry accessories, magnificence and dirt, are everywhere found in alliance. The wonderful dome, grander than St. Peter's, at Rome, the pillars, to the number of 170 , each une a single piece, and a monument of antiquity, the pavement, the marble balustrades and the nagnificent perspective of the whole, are all marred by bad taste glaring upon you cverywhere, and by the ommpresent dinginess and dirt.

A few words concerning bcutari will not scriously be considered an illegitimate digression. Lake two guards at the entrance of the Bosphorus panorama stand Constantinople and Scutari-the latter, on the Asiatic shore. The centre of inferest in this Asiatic suburb is, of course, the Scutari cemetery and that terrible charnel-house-the barrack hospital sad and suggestive monuments of the Crimean War. In the centre of the cemetery stands a simple obelisk, supported by four female figures, by Marochenti. This obelisk, which is a copy in petto of the Luxor Column, bears the following inscription.
to the memory
of the
OFFICERS AND MEN of the British
Army and Navy,
who, in the war against Russia,
In 1854,1855 and 1856 ,
Died for their Country,
This Monument
was raised by
QUEEN VICTORIA
And her people.
1857.

This same inscription appears on each panel, on the back in Turkish; in French to the right, and in Italian on the left.

There are surrounding this monument eughty-six memorial tablets, recording in sad terms the grief of the living or the virtues of the dead; but from end to end the place is crowded by the nameless dead in solemn rank and file, with not a line to mark their resting-places quia carent vale sacro.

I am tempted to quote some of the inscriptions, which tell their own simple, sad talc. No. 49 stays our stcps, and we read :

Dedicated by his brother officers
is the memory of
ghlidam pitcaikn campbell,
Aged 30.

## A Christian sol.miek,

Finding comfort in death from these assurng words of
the Saviour in whom he trusted: "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." -- Mitthew xi, 28.
Here is another of a mere boy of nineteen, who died in that charnel-house hard by, misnamed a hospital. It bears the words, "Erec!ad by an affectionate mother, in commemoration of a most dearly beloved son."
A deep pathos surrounds grave No. 44, with its simple inscription :

A Russian officer.
So also that of a hospital nurse, inscribed She hath done what she could.
We leave the sad and sacred spot where the heroic dead he, to satl down the beautful Bosphorus, but we have no heart for the beautiful in nature. The lurid haze of war comes between me and the magnificent panorama which the European and Asian shore uplands present. My heart is burdened with a strange load, and breathes its prayer out to God that ere long the time will come when wars shall cease, and when man shall never more mbrue his hands in brothet's blood.
After ten days' sojourn in Constantinople, we reentered the Marmora cn routc for Smyrna, the queen of the cities of Anatolia. Skirting the islands of Tenedos and Mitylene, we enter the spacious Gulf of Smyrna. How eager we were to catch a glimpse of the site of that church which, almost alone of the "Seven," recetved commendation without reproof from God; and which, absolutely alone of the " Seven, is a busy, prosperous place. And how beautifully picturesque it seemed! A glorious bay-a land-locked sea, indeed-is Smyrna Bay. With a small and intricate entrance to the west, flanked on north and south by towering hills, and on the gentle slopes of Mt. Hagus to the east, beauufully reposes the city of Smyrna. Again distance lends enchantment to the view. Unlike Constantinople, Smyrna may be encompassed in one outlook. It hes before you, along a sea line of four miles, creeping more than half way up the mountain towards the rumed castle which crowns ats summit. The same farry lightness marks the scene as in other Eastern towns, and the same inevitable dissipation of romance accompanies personal acquantance.
We remained anchored in smyrna bay nearly a fortnight, enjoying the privilege of our stay by making many incursions into the cily and surrounding country. Some of the richest reminiscences of "The Gospel Afloat " belong to this period. The stuation and circumstances were impressive, and lent themselves readily to our work. "The Seven Churcnes" were sufficiently near to add a local and vivified interest to short, mprovised lectures on the epistles to the churches in Asia. On the conclusion of my unpretentious course of seven lectures, I was reminded that my course was not complete, that instead of there being "seven churches in Asia," there were eigh. I named them, one by one -only seven. "Nay, there were eight, for was not the church in the fo'castle one." Yes, indeed it was; and it was to them more important and real than all the rest. Each evening, with the exception of the few spent ashore, we had our regular service, with a congregation which for reverence and earnest attention could not have been surpassed at home. An Austrian man-of-war was anchored at the north end of the bay, and its splendid band played each evening at sundown, and the sweet sounds would roll along the conducting waters of the bay, from end to end, and back into reverberation among the girdling hills. With less of pretence, and yet not wanting in beauty of another kind, the seamen's simple song of praise swelled forth across that bay from ship to ship, telling its own simple tale of evening worship. Opportunities of personal intercourse with the men were more than usually frequent during our anchorage before Smyrna. After a hard day's labsur in cargoing the ship with her freight of fruit, the eveping was the sailors' freehold. Not a man sought permission to leave the ship, and every one, with the exception of the quarter-master on watch, was free to attend our evening service.

Not alone did the seamen constitute the congregation; the officers of all grades, from the highest to the lowest, were frequently fellow-worshippers with their crew. One officer, not noticed in previous chapters, had hitherto held aloof from us. He was a good
officer and a strict disciplinarian, but had a most violent teniper, and while under the spell of his temper had a terriblehabit of swearing. One quiet evening our service was proceeding when, to the astonishment of everybody, this officer appeared. I was reading the text of my simple address. Strangely enough, it was this: "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, when thou wast young thou girdest thyself and walkedst whither thou wouldest; but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee and carry thee whither thou wouldest not."-John xxi. 18. Whether according to the etrict exegesis of the passage or not, my interpretation led me to speak upon the power of evil habits. While we were young we could cast them off; but when we were old we became their slave. In youth we could write our habits on the sand, which we could readily obliterate, but in after years we should find them deeply graven upon the rock. At first they seemed to us garlands of flowers easily broken and cast away; but ere long we should discover that what seemed a floral garland had turned to a band of steel. Such was the trend of my simple discourse. I knew not what "the chief" thought of it; but this 1 know, we seldom heard an oath afterward. A year or two afterward, when be had been promoted as captain of an important ocean liner, I had a letter from him, saying kind things of my work which I dare not reproduce, and giving evidence that the seed had not fallen on barren soil.

## JUDGE NOT.

"Shes the closest woman 1 ever saw: If 1 were in her place, I'd be ashamed of myself. Why; auntie, she never wears anything but calico to school, and hasn't had a new bonnet this winter, and to crown It all, when I asked her this morning to buy a ticket for our eahibition, she laughed and said she couldn't afford it: let uncle told us that ali the teachers, Miss Crawford included, receive $\$ 40$ a morth. I really don't see how any one can be so mean !"
"Now that you have in pause for breathp Nellie, would you like to hear a little story?"
"Oh jes, Aunue, just wait a minute while I find my croutiet-needlc. There, now, I'm ready."
"Some tbrec years since, a wealthy merchant in one of our large cities failed. Being an upright man he kept nothing for himself, but put everything he possessed into the hands of his creditors, leaving himself, his invalid wife and only daughter utterly destitute.
"So great was the strain upon his nervous system, so severe the struggle to maintain h.s pos ion, that when all was over, a low fever laid him on his bed, and from that bed he never rose. The only child of this gentleman now found herself penniless, with a widowed, invalid mother to support. She was a wise as well as an affectionate daughter, and seeing plainly that it would be impessible for her to take proper care of this dear mother and earn her living at the same time, slie placed her in a private Home, a charitable institution, where she receives the best of care for a reasonable sum paid monthly; for you see neither of them would be dependent on charity if it could be helped.
"Once a monti, when this daughter goes to pay her mother's board, she spends a day with her. This day is always a Saturday, and she must travel a good stare of Friday night in order to have a whole long day to spend with her precious mother, and reach home before twelve o'clock Saturday night. More than this, out of her salary, is this self-sacrificing daughter laying aside every penny she can spare, in order that by and by she may be able to buy a little home for her' mother' and herself, and pay a good woman for keeping house for them, and looking after the poor invalid.
"This young woman of whom I hive been speak. ing was brought up in a luxurious home with every. thing heart could wish. I don't know what you think of her since I have told her story, but I think her one of God's true, noble women, and I feel like chiding anybody who calls her close and 'mean.'"
"Oh, auntic, you surely don't mean Miss Crawford."
"Oh Nellie, I surcly do mean Miss Crawford."
"I am so ashamed of myself-the dear, sweet, noble woman. It's a mercy I've never breathed a word aganst her to any one except you, but I feel as 11 ! must make some amends for my wicked thoughts. I wish I could do her a favour."
"Well, I'll tell you what you may do, if you like-
invite her to take tea with us to-morrrow night, and show every kindness in your power if she accepts your invitation."
"Thank you, auntic dear, and 1 hope she will come. Why did I say such naughty things about her?"
"That you might learn a lifelong lesson I hope, Nellie, and never be betrayed into judgment so hastily again."-Aldectate and Guprdian.

## GETTING READY FOR CHURCH.

Some persons never get ready for any good thing until it is a little too late, and then the opportunity is lost. Somectimes the influence of that loss is felt in eternity. Muen carelessness conceming the neglect of Church duties comes of bad management. In a well ordered home what can be and should be attended to on Saturday night will not be left untul Sabbath morning. Secular work and secular indulgence are wholly unnecessary on the Lord's day. A really spiritual and joyous Christian will not tolerate either at such a time. Many persons neglect Gud's house and set a bad example in the home and out of it by attending to Saturday's work on Sabbath morning, or by late hours on the night previous for indulsence' sake or by other mismanagement which not only makes them too late for church, but entirely unfits them for Christian worship. It is lamentable: In the home, the morning of the Lord's day will not always be kept free from such hurtful intrusion without effect. But if the wife has the sympatiy and help of the husband, and the husband the sympathy and help of the wife, and if both love the Lord and reverence His house, the effort will be made, and thereby brightenss and bless'ng will be given to the whole day. When weary mothers can so arrange without neglect of home duties to get to God's house, it is a shatue for those of fewer cares to neglect the sanctuary, because of carelessness, indulgence or mismanagement. What is the sacrifice sometmes regured in arranging for Sabluath worship, compared with ene hour in the house of God on the Lord's Day? The busy wife, the turling husband who is fathful to the house of God, is helped inrough all the week, but who neglects this holy shrine from careless indifference, evil indulgence or mismanagement puts a strange hindrance in the way of home life, and is treasuring up a memory that will inflict unuterable pain upon the soul in cternity. lour Church privseges are going, and soon tie blessed hour of worship vill summon you to the sanctuary no more. It will be too late then to get ready, of no avall to mourn the careless indulgence, lack of inclination and mismanagement you willingly allowed to prevent you from getting ready here. -Mr. Rhodes, D.D., in St. Mark's Messenger.

## IT IS CURIOUS WHO GIVE.

"lt's curious who give. There's 'Squire Wood, he's put down $\$ 2$; his farm's worth $\$ 10,000$, and he's money at interest. And there's Mrs. Brown, she's put down $\$ 5$; and I don't believe she's had a new gown in two years, and her bonnet ain't none of the newest, and she's them three grandchildren to support since her son was killed in the army; and she's nothing but her pension to live on. Well, she'll have to scrimp on butter and tea for awhile ; but she'll pay it. She just loves the cause ; that's why she gives."
These were the utterances of Deacon Daniel after we got home from church, the day pledges were taken for contributions to foreign missions. He was reading them off, and I was taking down the items to find the aggregate. He wen? on : "There's Maria Hill, she's put down $\$ 5$; she tcaches in the North District, and don't have but $\$ 20$ a month, and pays her board; and she has to help support her mother But when she told her experience, the time she joined the Church, I knew the Lord had done a worts in her soul; and where he works, you'll generally see the fruit in giving. And there's John Baker, he's put down $\$ 1$, and he'll chew more than that worth of tobacco in a fortnight. Cyrus Dunnm, \$4. Vell, he'll have to do some extra painting with that crippled hand; but he'll do it, and sing the Lord's songs while he's at work. C. Williams, \$1o. Good for him! He said the other night at prayer meeting that he'd been reading his Bible more than usual lately. Maybe he read about the rich young man who went away sorrowful, and didn't want to be in sis company."Advance.

## Out Doung ffolks.

## GQLIDEA GRAIN BIBLE REALIAGSS

m J. A. R. dickson, b.d., galt.
GOD and rhe sinnehs.
Behold I set before you the way of life, Jer. xxi. 8 . Kepentance, Acts ii. 38, Isa. Is. 6. Faith, Acts xvi. 31, Acts. xiii. 38, 39. These together are conversion, Matt. xviii 3. 1 John ii. 12

Rom. r i.
And these bring
$\begin{cases}\text { Forgiveness, } & 1 \text { John ii. } 12 \\ \text { Peace, } & \text { Rom. } 1 . \text { i. } \\ \text { Rest, } & \text { Math. xi. } 28 . \\ \text { Adoption, } & \text { Johin ii. } 2\end{cases}$

Then there is
Confession of Christ publicly, Matt. x. 32, 33 Life of faith in Christ,
Victory over the world,
Gal. ii. 20.
1 John v. 4.

## VACATION.

Vacation: 1 fancy if you were a child,
And rules and examples had driven you wild,
You'd just be as joylul as I am to day
At the thoughts of vacation and frectum and play
Not a lesson to look at for ever so long;
Not a dull, puzzling surn, with the noswer all wrong No dreadful dictation to write on your slate; No teacher to frown if a second you're late.
But fun in the morning and frolic at night, And the hours, between, full of mirth and deltght : Such races and chases, such laughter and glee, You'd know if you only were litte like me.
There's unly une trouble. Yuu louk very kind:
P. thaps y'u 'll 'ell mother Gou're sure you won't mind? If she wouldn't insist so on bed time at eigh, She'd make it more jolly for Freddie and Kate.
Yacaiiun: We're off with the lurds and the tees; We'll oicnic in woods and have swings on the trees We'll fish in the brook and we'll ride on the hay, All weeks upon weeks weill do notbing but play.
Perhaps you are $\mathrm{ri}_{h}$ hit it don't seem to me; But we may, by and by, having had so much glee, Be pleased to relurn to the teacter's kind rule And willingly answer the summons to schuol.
-Harper's Young Pcople.

## THE POWER OF HABIT

The passers by on a country road used to pause sometimes and wonder why an old white horse in the pasture travelled round and round in a circle. Hour after hour he kept up this tramp, though entirely free to go and come as he pleased. This shows the power of habit. For twenty years he had been daily har nessed to the end of a long sweep, and travelled in just such a circle, until too stiff and blind for further service; then a kind master gave him his time and a good pasture. Twenty years of steady industry had made work a necessity. When life was all boliday, there was no holiday ; so he kept on, from choice, at his old round.
Habits, good or bad, cling to us 1 remember what a blustering winter morning it was when Allen resolutely buttoned his overcoat up to his chin, and drew on his ficecy gloves.
"You are going to church such a morning as this, Allen?" said a brother medical student.
"To be sure I am," said the other decidedly. "I was brought up to attend church, and I should as soon think of going without my breakfast as of staying at home." It is one of the best habits a youth can form, and a great safeguard amidst the temptations of a city, to attend the house of God.

The habit of patient industry is a good one to form very early, for all of one's success in life must hinge upon it. "The idle soul shall suffer hunger."

There are bad habits, too, which seem to blend into one another as naturally as the waters of the brook mingle with those of the river. Idlers love the saloons and the sliady porches of old tavern-stands, and the company they meet there. They fall an easy prey to the rumseller; and when the habit of tasting his samples is once formed, it is not often broken. All manhood goes down with it, as into an awful whirlpool.

How happy a boy should be who finds a good habit of any kind growing stronger every day! It is easy for one to tell for himself just how he stands, if he will only look sharply at his going's and comings, and see with what feelings he gues about his daily
duties. "He that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger." One cannot have his hands clean from sin unless the thoughts flow in the right channels. They do make channels for themselves, in which they habitually flow just as surely as the water courses.

## THREE UC'EKK MHNDS.

- The trumpeter bird is the rag picker of the woods and swamps of Guiana, where he is always at work at his trade, with his stomach for a pack and his bill for a hook. He performs a most useful but most extra ordinary service, devouring a perfect multitude of snakes, frogs, scorpions, spiders, lizards and the like creatures. But this terrible bird can be made perfectly tame.

On the Guiana plantations he may be seen fraternizing with the chickens, ducks and turkeys, accompanying them in their walks, defending them from their enemies, separating quarrellers with strokes of his bill, snstaining the young and fecble, and waking the echoes with his trumpet while he brings home his floc!s at night.
The trumpeter is as handsome as he is useful. Noble and haughty in his aspect, he raises himself up on his long, yellow-gaitered legs and seems to say, "I am the trumpeter, the scourge of reptiles and the protector of the flocks!"

In Southern Africa there is another great exterminato: of reptiles-the snake eater or secretary bird, a magnificent creature who attacks the largest serpents, making a shield of his wings and a sword of his beak. The name of secretary bird is derived from the plumes projecting hact ward from its head, which look like quill pens carried behind one's ear.

In South America, in the 1 ery neighbourhood of the trumpeter's home, there lives the Kamichi or Kamiki, who wears a sharp horn projecting from his forehead, and a murderous spur upon each of his wings. With these three weapons, the serpents that he attacks are powerless acgainst him, and are easily put to death.
The secretary bird, the Kamichi and the trumpeter form a valiant and useful trio The trumpeter has iwo merits above the others' the ease with which he can be domesticated and his musical talent.

The natives have a saying that he has swallowed a colnct. Whether promenading or war-making, he fills the air with trumpet calls, and at the sound of his voice of brass the reptiles take to flight.

Presently the bird arrives, flapping his wings and wielding them like a sword. Having killed the serpent the trumpeter sounds his blast of victory, as he had sounded his charge.

## 1 WAS GOING TO.

Children are very fond of saying, " I was goong to." The boy lets the rats catch his chickens. He was going to fill up the hole with glass, and to set traps for the rats, but he did not do it in tume and the chickens were eaten. He consoles humself for the loss, and excuses his carelessness by saying, "I was going to attend to that." A horse falls through a broken plank in the stable and breaks his leg, and is killed to put him out ot his suffering. The owner was going to fix that weak plank, and so excuses himself. A boy wets his feet and sits for bours without changing his shoes, catches a severe cold and is obliged to have the doctor for a week. His mother told him to change his wet shoes when he came in and he was going to do it, but did not. A girl tears her new dress so badly that all her mending cannot make it look well again. There was a litte rent before, and she was going to mend it, but she lorgot. And so we might go on giving instatice after instance, such as happen in every home with almost every man and woman, boy and girl. "Procrastination is" not only "the thief of time," but is the worker of vast mischiefs. If a Mr. "I-was-going-to" lives in your house, jus: give him warning to leave. He is a lounger and nuisance. He has wrought unnumbered mischiets. The girl or boy who begins to live with him will have a very unhappy time of it, and life will not be success ful. Put Mr. "I-was-going to" out of your house, and keep him out. Always do thiags which you are going to do.
No soul can preserve the bloom and delicacy of its existence without lonely musings and silent prayer and the greatness of this necessity is in proportion to the greatness of the soul.

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THE next presidential election is near, and the Republicans are at their wits end to find something to say against President Cleveland, who may pussibly be in the field for a second term. Cleveland's administration has been conspicuously able and clean. Even party zeal can scarcely find anything to say against it. There is a vague general charge that for some reason or another he is thostile to the army The fact that he was wiling to return some of the Confederate flags taken during the war is given as proof of his dislike of the Grand Army of the Repub fic. When such trifing charges bate to be trumped up at the end of several jeats uccupancy of the White House one may rest assured that the President has a good record. One of the worst things connected with party government is that a pulitical opponent must be opposed, no matter hou good his record. Cleveland must be assailed simply because he is a lemocrat ; and it would be exactly the same if he were a Republican. Nobody seems able to propose a substitute for party government, but it has some very serious drawbacks all the same.

Miany of our ministernal readersare this week packing their valises and starung for their summer trip. Whatever else they put in, we hope they will not forget to put in a few good (oospel sermons. There are fine chances for preaching during vacation time. Some of the most intelligent, apprectauve audiences one ever sees are on steambuats, in summer hotels, and at seaside and lakeside resorts. Is a rule the pegple want a Sabbatt: seruce, andenjoy it immensely. Whether a minister should subibest a selvice and take a prominent part in arranging for it is a question of professional etiquette we do not andertake to decide. As a rule, nothing of the kind is needed. Nearly every captain of a steamboat wants at least one Sabbath service on his boat. We never heard of a summer hotel keeper who did not wish to have service in his large room on Sabbath. The great majority of the guests always attend; and, account for it as you may, there is a solemnity i.nd t :nderness about these services, when the preacher understands his work, not often seen in the regular church services at home. The Presbyterian Church has a right to expect that her representatives at Portland, or the Lower St. Lawrence, or on the Atlantic or P'acific, or nearer home, in our fine Northern resung-places, will see that their share of the work is well done, as we have no doubt it will be.

Tue following waighty words from the Mail show that others understand the effect of a poorly-sustained pulpit upon the people quite as well as clergymen. It is difficult for a minisi r to discuss this question without cruating a sus;acion that he is aeting from selfish motives. Our ontemporary piys :
The cleigy of a country are largely inst Enental in stamping its character upon it Given an educated and devored clergy, and there winl atise, as a result of the pulpit teach. clergy, a high-principled and honourable laity. But should ings, a hiph become weak and insipini, moral weakness will surely be the characteristic of the people condemned to sit
under it. From a patriotic point of view, therefore, the lest men are required for the Church. If penury is to be the earthly reward of the clergy, men of ability and power
will be scarce in the next generation of preachers. This will be a public calamity; but it will be the resilt of public
shirtcumings. shittcumings.
The facts so well stated in the foregoing were, we believe, too much lost sight of in discussing the claims of our Augmentation Fund upon the Church. That fund does not exist for the sole benetit of ministers. The people are benefited by it as well as the preachers. For, as the Mfail says, "an educated and devoted clergy " produce "a high-principled and honourable laity." A weak, poorly-sustained pulpit make a morally weak people. Viewed simply as an educator, a well-sustaned pulpit is worth far more to the country than it costs. The people ma, sink belon their teachers, but they never rise above them.

The clerical vacation is receiving due attention in the press, partly because this is vacation time and partly because it is the " silly season," when live topics are few and far between. A religious journal says:
The ethies of ministers' vacations must be studted under a strong bas during such a hot seasun es at the prescit wrumg is parching the carti and weakening the strength of men.
The necessity of a season of rest cannot be denied. But it The necessity of a season of rest cannot be clemied. But it much sespite from work is needed, but how much can be nuech
secured.
Yes, but the study of the ethics of the guestion teeed not be put off untll the hot season. When the ground is parcued and the strength is weakening and humantiy is sweltering, is not the time to study ecthics. If a minister found out years ago that he can co more and better work in a year by worhing eleven montis and resting one, the ethics require him to rest the one, and besides this, there is a huge fallacy underlying ali,ost everything we read on this question. It is nearly always assumed that when a pastor takes his vacation his pulpit is empty and the people have no preacling. such a thing is happily almost unknown in Canada. somebody always, or very nearly aluays, preaches. And truth to say, the prearhing is sometimes quite as good when the regular pastor is away on his holidays as when he is at home. And, tell it not in Gath, sometumes it is even better. The assumption that people are left wathout preaching during vacation is utterly baseless; and some of the people who make the assumption know it.

## WOMTAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONATY

 SOCIEI Y.Therl is an impression that the phenomenal success that has attended the efforts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is a matter for surprise, but why should it be such a marvellous thing that a Christian enterprise originated and conducted by women should be an assured success? Whatever in the way of benevolent and Christian activity women have undertaken has generally been attended with encouraging prosperity. The cause of Temperance owes much to the earnest and self denying labours of women to secure fieedom from the curse that falls so heavily on women and children. Why, then, should it be a matter of surprise that the Woman's Fureign Missionary Scifety has in a very few years reached a place of suih importance and effected so much good? Its success has certainly been great, but, judging from its past history, the work yet to be done through its agency, and the prudence, devotuon and enthusiasm with which its affairs are conducted may reasonably be expected to reach much greater dimensions and wield an influence for good far beyond its present capacity.
The eleventh annual report has recently made its appearance, and its circulation throughout ' ne Church would be most helpful to the missionary cause. It ought to be carefully read by all into whose hands it may come. There is scarcely anything that finds a place in its pages that can be regaried as superfluous. It is a good illustration that women are not so garrulous as some cynics are disposed to insinuate. There is very little in the report that can justly be described as padding. It is in most respects a very readable production. There are reports, not prepared by women either, printed and submitted to public bodics, which are held as read. There they end. A great many people to whom they are sent acquiesce cheerfully in the decision, and likewise hold the elaborately prepared reports as read. And this is pretty much all the reading they receive. The eleventh annual report of the Woman's Foreign Mission deserves better treatment. Its careful perusal will elicit. the
interest and enlist the sympatity and co-operation of many not yet identitied with the active working of the institution.

The Foreign Secretary's report presents a full view of the various missions supported by the Presbyterian Church in China, on the Indian reserves in Manitoba and the North-West, in Central India and the New Hebrides. This is followed by the Home Secretary's report, in which the remarkable progress during the year is bricfly sketched. No fewer than two new Presbyterial Societies, sixty-five auxiliaries and twen-ty-six mission bands have been formed, bringing up the orgamization to the goodly proportions of eighteen Presbyterial societies, 256 auxiliaries, and seventy-six mission bands. In these mission bands there is a membership of 2,059 ; in the auxiliaries the members number 6,484 , and there are 152 life inembers; the total membership is now 8,563 . The money for missions rassed by this agency includes $\$ 3,646.91$ contributed by the mission bands; from other sources, $\$ 435.44$; and by the auxiliaries, $\$ 14,498.70$, making a grand total for the year of $\$ 1 \$, 581,05$. These results show that the women's movement for the extension of the Gospel i. heathen lands has met with a cordial response throughout the churches.

The good accomplished by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is not confined to the merely ma. terial results that can easily be recogmized and tabulated. The active effort drectly'sustanned by the socicty will prove a great blessing to those on whese behalf it is made. This society provides salaries and expenses of three lady missionaries, two lacuy medical missionaries and two lady missionary teachers, and the current expenses of schools, native teachers, Bible women, ctc., in Central India. They also help to inamtan educanomal work in Formosa, the New Hebrides and Trmudad, as well as in the schools on the Indian rescrves in the North-West. Much of the awakened interest in missions is directly sraceable to the eneigetic efforts of the Woman's Society. By the.t regular meenings, and through other channels, the; difiuse much valuable information respecung the progress of the Gospel abroad. Through the inspiration recetved numbers have devoted themselyes to personal labour in the inission field, and as all active endeavour for Christ's cause, fanthfully and sincerely engaged in, is productive of reflex blessing, the Church generally may hope for a fuller baptism of the Holy Spirit producing a large accession of spiritual strength as a result of the prayers and labours of those who are united in the fellowship of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

## MATERIALISM.

In the Atlantic Monthly for August there is a remarkably striking paper from the pen of George Frederick Parsons. There is nothing new in the subject selecied for treatment ; it is old as civilization. The line of illustration does not consist in startling novelties, neither is there anything very original in the ideas expressed, but he presents thoughts with forceful distinctness that ought to be pondered. The theme on which the talented writer descants is "The Growth of Materialism." His indictment of the domin. ant characteristic of the age is strong and powerful. There is no prophesying of smooth things in his delineation of the leading characteristics of our time. It is no siren cong lulling to self-complacent delight in the remarkable progress achieved in the nineteenth century. Those who have no more agreeable message to deliver than that contained in the paper :cferred to may be reproached, as was Elijah by Ahab, as troublers of Israel. The worst of it is that tellers of plain but unpalatable truths are not believed ; their message is disregarded, and they are branded as soured misanthropes. It is more convenient than safe, however, to dismiss all questions that awaken troublesome thoughts than to entertain them, and examine the degree of truth they contain.
To prepare the way for the consideration of his subject the writer in the Atlantic Monthly describes the wild excitement in an unnamed western mining town that was struck by that most unhealthy $0_{i}^{-}$all visitations, a boom. He shows how the selfishness and savagery of human nature come to the surface under such conditions, and describes the moral and material havoc they produce. These characteristics are at work everywhere, and are but the natural if extres. nutcome of the materialism which rules the pres:aid age. The one absorbing pursuit of men is the
accumulation of wealth, and of women the supreme devotion is to fashion. In the predominant desire for wealth and pleasure he sees the sacrifice of all that is best and ennobling in hutn's character. Whenever such desires become overmastering in their strength all else is borne down before them. Principle, honour, integrity, conscieatiousness are discarded The happiness of the individual, the comfort of the family, are trampled under foot, if only money can be gained; the duties of citizenship are neglected; both public and private virtues are suffered to decay.
The debasing effects of supreme devotion to mam. mon are graphically described. The writer refers to the unprincipled and selfish ethics that in too many instances compose the business code now so generally approved:
In the counting house, the factory, the exchange, he says, there must be no entangling alliances. There, in the nerena of "business," all pretences, save those which conduce to nuaterial advantage, are to be put aside. Popular philosophy takes the form of proverbs and sententious sayings which, if not always polite and delicale, are generally lerse and to the point. This popular sentiment long ago expressed, in its crude way, the prevailing idea of the way the world wags in the rough but expressive words, "Every man for himsell, and the devil take the hindmost." It is upon
this principle that we usually conduct business in this pro. this principle that we usually conduct business in this pro-
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su-eefold descent. The first is from tive religion we profess th-efold descent. The first is from tice religion we profess
${ }^{\text {is }}$ the religion we practise; the second is foom the family is the religion we pracinse; the second is from the lamily
code to the social code ; the third is fom the later to the code to the social code ; the third is fom the latier to the
ethics of "business." ethics of "business.". . The p.inciple of business is selfishness in its most open and undisguised form; selfishness manstering to its own rapacity by a hundred lase and shamefui tricks and chicanenes; selfishness assusting itself with deceit and fraud, with overreaching and mistepresenta. tions, selfishness pluming jiself upon superibr intelligence when it effects a roguery by playing upon the trusifulness of anothes ; selfishness hardily sneeting at integrity, and scoffing at honour as an outworn imlecinty. There is really nothing too base to be perpetrated in the name of business.
These strong statements are supported by pertinent instances that unhappily are far 800 plenuful. From these he proceeds to show that deterioration necessarily and inevitably follows this devotion to the service of mammon. Inventive gemus in poetry and art shows visible signs of decay. Phlosophy makes no advances. The philosophy and science of the nineteenth century mainly seek to establish and perpetuate the reign of materialism, and their only possible outcome, taking Spencer and Schopenhauer as their exponents, are agnosticism and pessimısm. Materialism may be a mighty force in these days, but there is a mightier. The spiritual nature cannot be crushed out, it cannot be starved. In its weariness and disgust at the husks the material provides for tts portion it will recoil from its degradation and realize, as a profound and living truth, that the things that are seen are temporal, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

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THE tenth annual lecture delivered before the Theological Union of Victoria College, by the Rev. E. J. Bradlev, B.D., LL.D., "Faith versus Knowledge," and the annual sermon, preached by the Rev. J. Cooper Antliff, D.D., "Christ, the Light of the World," both admirable productions, have been published together in pamphlet form by William Eriggs, Toronto.
Prophetic Studies. (Chicago: Fleming H. Revell.)-This is a reprint in book form of the papers read at the International Prophetic Conference held in Chicago last winter. In addition to papers prepared by those who stand out prominently on this continent as advocates of the premillenial and personal reign of Christ, several by eminent European scholars, such as Professors Godet, Volck, Delitzsch, Koch and others appear in the volume.
Loving Counsels: Sermons and Addresses. By the Rev. Charles Garrett. (Toronto : William Briggs.) - As is well known, Charles Garrett is one of the prominent English Methodist preachers. The volume contains scveral sermons and addresses delivered by him on special occasions. They are pervaded by warmth and cainesiness. Much prominence is given to Temperance. The irraignment of the sin of drunkenness is very poweriul and convircing. The b ok canno: fail to intrres: and bencfit the reader.

Organic Union of Camadian Churches. By the Very Rev. James Carmichael, M.A., D.C.L. (Montreal : Dawson Brothers.) -The admirable little treatise by Dean Carmichael is certaibly an honest endeavour to present to the minds of thoughtful Christian readers the duty and importance of a united Protestant Church in the Dominion. The publication is well timed and will do good. Would that the spirit displayed were more prevalent than it is I
A Manual of Christian Evidences. By the Rev. C. A. Row, M.A. (Toronto: S. R. Briggs.)The Prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, has added this valuable contribution to the Theological Educator Series. Though there is nothing strikingly original in the thought pursued, or even in the method of treat'ig the evidences, the important subject is presented in a very clear and attractive light. The book is well fitted to be useful and instructive, to young and candid readers especially.
people's Commentary on the Gospel. According to Mattuew. By Edwin W. Rice, D.d. (Toronto S. R. Briggs.)-For the Sabbath school teacher and for the private study of the first Gospel, this compact little volume will be a most valuable heip. It contains the authorized and revised versions, with the American readings and renderings, critical, exegetical and applicative notes, and illustrations drawn from life and thought in the East. It is embellished with excellent coloured maps and diagrams.

Meymons of Chtrah Work. By Rev. Sylvanus Stall. (New York. Funk \& Wagnalls; Toronto: William Briggs.)-This is the most comprehensive and practical work treating on this subject that has appcared. It covers the whole ground, and covers it wisely and effectively. It is the outcome of a long and broad experience and observation. It treats the subject in all its varied practical relations, relıgious, social and financial. This work cannot fail to bring aid to thousands who keenly feel the importance of the great work to which they have been called, and yet who realize the great lack of knowledge how to accomplish the greatest good and the largest results. In this book the author brings together the best methods of the best worke' $s$, which he has gathered from the entire field of Cht tian labour through many years of patient research.
Environalent. A Story of Modern Society. By Florine Thayer McCray. (New York: Funk \& Wagnalls, Toronto. William Briggs.) The story in itself is one of decided interest and merit, both in a social and literary point of view. The characters are natural and well sustained throughout. The sentiments expressed are true, the moral tone is elevated, and the lessons inferred are emphatic and important. While meeting the conditions of a Society Novel of the better class, it incidentally illustrates the fearful evils of the drinking castoms, which are stealthily creeping into fashionable life and among ladies of wealth and high social standing, and it does this in a manner so graphic and powerful as to arrest the reader's attention and impress a most solemn lesson on the heart. This lesson will be all the more effective, because a surprise to the reader, and only incidentally developed.
The. Bible Work. The Old Testament. Vol. I. Prepared by J. Glentworth Butler, D.D. (New York: Funk and Wagnalls; Toronto: William Briggs.)To ministers, students and intelligent readers of the Scripture generally this work promises to be of great value. It may be described as a compilation, it is true, but it bears evidence on every page of extensive and intelligent study of much that is fited to throw light on the Word of God. It presents in clear ani.' condensed form a great mass of most important materials contributed by scholars deeply versed in Biblical science. The aim of the work is thus stated : to furnish in a single compendium an orderly, coherent, proportionate and measurably complete exposition of the Sacred Text, so that the meaning of the divine utterances, as discerned by studious, devout interpreters, qualified by special gifts or attainments, may be disclosed to all who will devoutly read. The first volume, after a general and comprehensive intraduction, following the revised text, covers the period from the narrative of the Creation to the Exodus. Not the least of the merits of this admirable work is its clearly evangelical spirit. If it is carried on as satisfactorily as the first volume, it will prove a most valuable costribution to sacred literature.

## THE MISSIONARY WONL.D.

CENTRAL, ifdia mission-REV. J. F. CAMIBELI.'s REPORT.

## (Concluded.)

The villages around Rutham for several miles have been visited, some of then frequently. In several the attempt was made to start schools, especialiy where there werd many Bheels, but as yet this has not succeeded.
Out Stations.- Jaora is a ci-u twenty-two miles north by rail, with a population of 20,000 , of whom more than half are Hindus and Jains, though it belongs to a Mohammedan Nawab, the population of the whole state is 108,434. There is an opening for a good English school, if we had a missionary there. Meanwhile Jairam has a boys' school, and his wife a girls' school; the continued ill health of his wife and child, and the death of the latter, have prevented the girls school from coming to much as yet. The boys' school has gone up to over sixty, and again, through silly scares among the parents, suab as that the object of the school was to help secure the heads of a large number of boys for the foundation of a uridge, and through other causes, has gone down toless than twenty. Jairam has also a Sabbath school, preaches, and sells Scriptures and tracts.
Khachraud is a town belonging to Scindia, whth a population of 10,000 , about siateen or elyhteen miles east of Rutlam, but comparatively difficult of superintendence from without, especially in the rains, as it is reached only by country toads, over black soil and bridgeless streams. There is a very good openirg at present, as there is neither English schnol nor dispensary, and both are desired. It is sad to anticip:ate that in this, as other cases, we shall be left unable to enter the door till the advantage has largely passed from us. Probab'y within the next few years influence will be brought to bear upon the Durbar at Gwalior, a school and dispensary will be opened by the State, and when at last we have a missonary to plant there, he will miss the vantage ground in seeking their highest good, which he might have occupied had he come sooner. The desire to hear, and in one or two cases the conviction manitested, was such as to encourage me to leave Rughu there, and to begin arrangements for a fuller o_upation. Meanwhile Rughu's family remain at Rutlam, and he comes in every week or two.
Barnagar (13arnuggur; is a town of 8,000 , also belonging to Scindia, twenty-nine miles south ot Rutlam by rail. Since we first visited it a dispensary has been opened by the State, and its sanitary condition improved. In it Ha.riba has just made a beginning.

Itinerancy was this year confined to places wilhin twenty miles of Rutlam. Previous to our regular tour, I made a short visit in October to Sailana, where we also spent some of our time when on tour. It is the seat of a Rajah of the same family as the Rajah of Rutlam, from which it is about twelve miles N. N. W. over a country.ruad. These two States were formerly parts of the same, and they are now so intermixed that for missionary purposes they may be considered the same. Both the Rajah and the Kamciar manifested decidedly friendly fecling. There is here a dispensary and a small English school, but an opening for a good Hindi school, if we had the right man; such, however, we find difficult to get.

Mrs. Campbell paid two visits to the Ranis and other ladies of the Rajah's household, who asked to hear about the Christian religion, seemed much interested and pressed her to come again. This was not the first time, however, they had heard the Word.From Sailana several neighbouring places were visited ; then wee retraced our steps to Dhamnode, and so on, to Puncher, Namli, Simlia and Khach. rode, then Bangrod, and then back to Rutlam, to which we had from time to time run in for Sabbath. Between and around these larger places, small villages were also visited. Mrs. Carnpbell's magic lantern, bought with money given by ladies in Canada on our way out, did good service, both for men ar i women. The baptisms ha $:$ been only three ir'ants of native helpers. Of interesting aud hopefu' cases I shall not now speak.

The Lord's supper has twice been joined in ; on the second occasion one person partook for the first time.
Mrs. Campbell has realized Rs. 19 by the sale of some of the articles in the box sent by the ladies in Canana. She hopes to sell inore, and then acknowledge the total amount, which she is devoting to the purchase of slates, maps, etc. for her girls' sehools.

## Cboice $\mathbb{L}$ iterature.

## THE HISTOR Y OF A CERTAIN "STRIKE."

Raymond Knight was walking rapidly down Main Street. The public library closed at eight o'clock, and Raymond was anxious to find a certain book to read at home that evening. "Perhaps you will smile when-I tell you it
book on "Political Economy," by John Stuart Mill.
ook on "Political Economy," by John Stuart Mill.
Mrs. Knight had smiled, almost aloud, when she began to find similar books in her boy's hands.
by Coo-operation as a Business," by Barnard ; "Socialism," by Crook; "Common Sense in Business," by Freedley

She was immensely amused, but never a word said she.
"Ray has evidently a talent for business ; " that is what this wise mother thought, "and my work is to help my son become what he was meant to be.
There bad been a time when another sort of book had threatened to steal into Mrs. Knight's house ; a certain yel-low-covered novel, with wild and worse than wild plot. Upon that she had pounced, as a lioness might spring on some loathsome reptile which attacked her young.
There had been a bonfire in the parlour grate. There had been a blaze in the mother's eyes. The latter had been quenched by two large, mournful tears. Raymond never
forgot either the blaze or the tears. There was no more forgot either the blaze or the tears. T
yellow-covered hiterature in his house.
As for "Political Economy," he delighted in it, strange as it may seem.
He hastened into the library to find his book on its shelf. Near by, he caught sight of a familiar face, and started. At a table, bent aimost at right angles over a big volume, his grimy hands propping up his red head, sat Billy O'Shane.
Now Billy and Raymond had not been on the best of terms since last winter, when the former had shovelled snow under Master Knight for " 20 cents a storm," and had not felt that his wa es were paid with proper promptness.
Billy had a sick sister; and, as the 20 cents often went for oranges and pickled cabbage (of which the invalid was especially fond), he had been annoyed at having to wait for especials
his dues.

Raymond eyed him as he sat wrapped in Stanley's
Across the Dark Continent." He had often seen Billy devouring tales of travel and adventure. More than once devouring tales of travel and adventure. More the bell rang for closing the library. To-night it seemed exceedingly hard for O'Shane to tear himself from enchanting Africa. The librarian was torced, at length, to loy a kind but firm hand librarian was iorced, at length, to lay a kind but inm hand door." "Why don't you carry the book home?" asked Ray mond, laughing; and then he was ashamed of his lack of
tact, as the crimson of Billy's face made a distressing comtact, as the crimson of Billy's face made a distressing comanation with the carroty hue of his hair. Then, quick as a flash, 'seizing his advantage : "By the way," Raymond
went on, "don't you want another job? I mean if you're went on, "don't you want another job ? I mean if you're
paid on another basis. Cash down every Saturday night, paid on another. basis. Cash down every Saturday night, and no falure. If you had money you could have as
library books as you wanted," he ended, enticingly.
ibrary books as you wanted," he end
The bait was eagerly snapped at;
"As many books as you wan ofor that ?

Tell us the job," said he
Well, you see, it's in the newspaper line. My uncle Raymond has given me $\$ 20$, and I've bought out Sydney Thayer's Press route. I own a place on the Advertiser myself, and I'm ne-go-ci-a-ting for a chance to carry the Argus. You're a Democrat, aren't you ? Then maybe the
Argus will be your affair. I'll give you $\$ 1$ a week if you'll Argus will be your affair. I'll give you $\$ \mathrm{I}$, a
deliver the Argus every morning for a year."
"How much does the editor pay you a week?" asked Billy.
That's my look out," said Raymond, shortly.
Billy looked hard at his neighbour. One pair of eyes matched the other for keenness. At last said O'Shane
"Hand over the first two weeks' pay in advance, and I'm your man."
"Very well. Give me your receipt for it," answered
Raymond, loftily. "Will you have siiver? A bill might Raymond, loftily. "Will you have siiver ? A bill might
be more appropriate," he added, relaxing into a mild joke. "And the Bland doliar's short weight too," remarked Billy, accepting both pun and money. Monday morning," said Raymond.
Billy sped home to tell Norah about his new business.
"It's a shawl ye shall have and some peppermints, and ride on Murphy's donkey," he told her lovingly.
Raymond himself was up betimes on Monday. And at started Billy on his route, he hurried to the Press headquarters, to give a send-off to two smaller boys, who having shorter legs, took shorter routes, also shorter pay.
"Up Main to Park, down Park to Lyman Street, and so on, "segin at Brackett, and 'go West, young man.""
He spoke quickly, having no time to loiter.
He spoke quickly, having no time to loiter.
The distribution of newspapers in the town was but one string to Raymond's bow. Truly our friend had a business head on his shoulders.
The week before he had " interviewed" the President of the Ogdensburg Railroad. Although this special branch Raymond enjos ed his call, talking over affairs of the city Raymond enjojed his call, taiking over affairs of the city, state and country, and was taily journals'on the train.
for permission to sell the dit
Not that he would retail his wares in his own person. Perish the thought! But a certan Tom Bailey had leisure, also desire, to go each morning as far as the junction, for the
urifing sum of $371 / 2$ cents a week. triting sum of $371 / 2$ cents a week.
"And your salary shall be raised," Raymond answered him, "when I complete my arrangements for peddling
Tom Bailey had inherited skill in such traffic, being the
son of a professional peanut vendor. He made no objection to candy and corn, as a pleasant scheme for his own benefit came into his head. But this he did not divulge. The summer vacation was not yet and dust two of the public school rooms.
"And I'm pretty sure to get the charge of them, mother," said Raymond, gleefully. "You see I agree to take certain work at a certain price. Nobody asks or cares if I do or don't do it myself. So I get all these Ithaps to work under me, while I superintend. O course, I do the hrain work, and I pay only for 'manual labour,
which, by all laws of trade, is cheap. So I hope to come which, by an laws of trade, is cheap. So I hope to come
out in the end with a very pretty sum in my pocket. Now out in the end with a very pretty sum in my pocket. Now
those newspapers : the editors pay me $\$ \mathrm{r} .50$ each for disthose newspapers : the editors pay me $\$ \mathrm{I} .50$ each for dis-
tributing the journals. I pay two toys $\$ \mathrm{I}$, and two more 50 cents apiece. I clear 50 cents on each paper. But, mind 50 cents apice. I clear 50 cents on each paper. But, mind
you, I've had to pay out large sums to get my routes, so I you, I've had to pay out large sum
sha'n't do extra well on the papers.
"The Grand Army people are to let me attend to the programmes at their entertainment at $\$ 1$ an evening. I'll hire two small boys to hand em round, pay them 40 cents aren't worth high wages, you see, for they can't shoulder aren't worth high wages, you see, for they can't shoulder
responsibility. Besides, there's a crowd of them ready to responsibility. Besides, there's a crowd of them ready to
jump at the chance. I declare I won't give them but 30 jump apiece," meditated Raymond, slowly, nibbling his muffin, "The 'supply" is so much greater than the 'demand.' Lucky I thought of that point. I wonder what
Eetsey Googin would charge if I bought my molasses Eetsey Goo
wholesale?"

Raymond knit his brows and pondered in silence.
Beisey Googin was what she called "a sweet lady" which is perhaps different from a sweet lady. She kept a
small store, where less taffy, chocolate-creams and sodasmall store, where less taffy, chocolate-creams and soda-
water were sold than Mistress Googin could have wished. She had readily agreed to supply Raymond with fresh molasses candy at 8 cents the pound.
Now, could Raymond buy his "raw material," i.e., the molasses, at wholesale, and so save a few pennies in his bargain with Betsey ?
"'Take care of the cents and the dollars will take care
of themselves,"" quoted Kaymond, shrewdly. "B Be just befure you are generous," Raymond, shrewdly. .' Be just with a faint twinge of conscience when Mrs. Googin
looked downcast on being requested to make her candy out of "this jug" and not her own. "And I shall only pay 5 cents a pound since I supply the mulasses," said Raymond.
He also suffered a brief pang when he proposed to raise Tom Bailey's wages only 10 cents a day in consideration of the candy he should sell.
"A large profit will accrue to me," thought Raymond, tightening his purse-strings; "and if Tom demands more,
why-why "- But Tom accepted the pittance. He was a simple soul. Besides, as I said, he bad a plan of his own
Billy O'Shane was more worldly-wise. Raymond had had the good luck to add three or four new names to the list of his subscribers to the Argus, and had thereby gained a percentage on the sale of that iournal. Billy refused, point blank, to "just drop these few extra copies on the way" unless he were paid for his pains. Billy could drive a close bargain as well as "the boss."
For oh!" thought Irish Billy, longingly, "if I could just git two extry dollars and pay to take home thim library
Billy's very soul hankered after the books. But there were many luxuries, besides pickled cabbage, that puny Norah needed.
Of course Billy never breathed a word of this to his em ployer. Raymond did not, of himself, think anything about it. To be sure, he knew that O'Shane liked books, for he often met him at the library ; he also knew that, for some
reason, Billy never caried the volumes home. He had reason, Billy never caried the volumes home. He had
heard that Billy had a sick sister. But Raymond did not heard that Billy had a sick sister. But Raymond did not
put two and two together in this case. Such mathematics put two and two together in this case. Such mathematics
do not come wholly under the head of "Brain Work." do not come wholly under the head of "Brain Work."
When Billy refused his request, the young master, much vexed, said merely,
he riery well. I'll carry the extra papers myself." Which he did.
But, unfortunately, about this time, O'Shane found out that there had been an unusually brisk sale of journals and cardy on the Ogdensburg Railroad. Raymond had
chuckled over it: it never enterng his head that Tom chuckled over it : it never enter
Bailey would confide in O'Shane.

But, such being the case, Billy saw fit to descend suddenly upon his employer, and demand an increase in his own wages.
ou it's no makin' money hand over fist ; and 1 , can tell papers to fun ploddin' round these dark mornin's leavin every day to gittin' the dinner, when their books is all on hand an you vance, with small regard to grammar or justice. "1 wish I'd taken the route on my own hook, and then I'd have piled up money, the way you're a-doin' of," he ended bitterly.
"Where would you have found the money to buy the making? It's none of your business, anyway," answered Raymond, coldly.
Billy scowled and rumpled his hair. A dogged look came into his eyes.
"Ye can grind down Tommy Bailey and babies like him, pun find another sort of customer," he growled. but very few minutes to reach the Opdenslurg took him There stood the youthful Thomas, waiting for the train to start. His newspapers were in proper order; bis candy tray licoked tempting; butmond Knight, angrily.
Tom, being small and of a gentle disposition, quaked in his shoes,
"Father gave'em to me to-to-to sell along with the candy," he stammered.

## "How long have y

 bnsiness," demanded Raymond."About three days," confessed the culprit.
"That's the reason my gains have fallen short, is it ?" said Raymond, growing more and more fierce, as his viccatch wou poaching on my grounds I'll dismiss you on the spot. Do you hear? Take this 25 cents ; that's every cop per you'll get this week. You've lost me a good round sum. If I did the square thing by you, you'd not get 2 cent of your wages. There's the bell. Leave the peanuts behind, and jump on the train. Don't let me catch you at this trick again!" he shouted, after the retreating salesman. "And whain! he shouted, after the retreating salesma. O'Shane, or it will be the worse for you both.:'
(To be concluded.)

## A REMARKABLE DISCOVERY.

Mr. Naville and his co-workers on the staff of the Egyptian Exploration Fund have succeeded in unearthing some stupendous relics of the ancient city of Bubastis, the Pi-Besed
of Scripture, and its temple dedicated to the cat-headed goddes Be, and hemple dedicaled to the cat-headig goddess Bast, which has been described in such glowing
terms by Herodotus. After the unsuccessful searches of erms by Herodotus. After the unsuccessful searches on Mariette Pasha among the mounds of Tell Basta, near the Zagazig station of the railway which connects Cairo wit Ismailia, archæologists despairingly accepted the conclusion that nothing heyond a few blocks of red granite remained as memorials of a structure which, thousands of years ag
drew together immense crowds in annual pilgrimages. drew together immense crowds in annua pigrimags
Superb monolithic columns, massive architraves, building blocks sculptured with bas-relief groups, and portrait statues of colossal proportions, have already rewarded the labours
of of colossal proportions, have already rewarded the labole-
expended in clearing one-third of the site of the temple expended in clearing one-third of the site of the temple-
which, it is estimated, must have been goo feet in length, with an average width of 150 feet. Among the statues ar several representing Rameses II. ; of two of these in black granite the size will be understood when we mention the eyes are seven inches in length. A statue in black g. nite of very much earlier workmanship-in accordance wit a common practice among Oriental potentates-has be utilized a a memorial of the son of Rameses, who is describe in an inscription as "General of Cavalry of his Father The bas-reliefs, which are at present in Cyclopean heaps, are believed to have formed two large tableaux, one which represented a great festival given by King Osorkol II. It is not a little curious that the fragment of an in scription which refers to the festival as one "which takes place every fifty years," after being hidden from the eye light in uncounred centuries, should have been brought proce in this Jubilee year. Among other groups figured s processions of priests carrying shrines and sacred boats, the yearse thus laid bare is believed to date from about 3 , years before the Christian era. Usertesen III., a thousi interval later, erected a new building which, after anod Rameses II., Osorkon II., some 500 years later, addin festive hall. It will be gratifying to many of our reader know that several of the remarkable monuments thus be shortly open to public view.
"FINIS POLONIE"NEVER WAS SAID.
In a long letter communicated to me by M. C. E. Cholecki from the archives of the Ségur family in Franc Kusciuszko wrote to Cuunt Segur, the author of Decade Historique": "Ignorance or maliy nity, with
persistence, has put the expression 'Finis Poloniz ! my mouth-an expression I am stated to have made on a fatal day. Now, first of all, I had been almost tally wounded before the battle was decided, and onl covered my consciousness two days alterward when I
myself in the hands of my enemies. In the secon myself in the hands of my enemies. In the secon stance if an expression like the one alluded to is inco
tent and criminal in the mouth of any Pole, it would been far more so in mine.
allowable for anybody either to utter or to repeat tha sulting expression which is contained in the words, Polnniz.' What would the French say if, after the of Rossbach, in 1757, Marshal Charles de Rohan, de Suubise, had exclaimed : 'Finis Galliæ'? O
would they say if such cruel words were attributed to his biographies? I shall therefore be obliged to you the new edition of your, work, you will not speak any your name will have its due effect with all those who future may be induced to repeat those words, and thus tribute to me a blasphemy against which I protes
soul."-Karl Blind, in the Fortnightly Review.

## AFTER THE BATTLE.

Hundreds of bodies freshly smeared with blood of wen who, two hours previous, had been filled with divers or petty hopes and desires, now lay with stiffened lim the drench fowery valley which separated the bastion the trench and on the level floor of the chapel
dead in Sevastopol : hundreds of men crawled, and groaned with curses and prayers on their parched some amidst the corpses in the flower-strewn vale, othe stretchers, on cots and on the blood-stained floor hospital ; and still, as on the days preceding, the red burned over Mount Sapun, the twinkling stars paled, white mist spread abriad from the dark sounding set the red glow illuminated the east; long, crimson clou day darted across the bright blue horizon ;
preceding, the powerful, all-beautiful
promise of jov, love and happiness to all who dwell in the
world.-Count Tolstoi, in Naw 'P, inceton Reviewe for Tuly

## THE IVOAEN OF CENTAAL SOUDAN.

The women of the household have got over their first remors, and come :o the conclusion that we are a goodnaturit and harmless looking sort of fellows. At first they
pecp over the wall or out of neighbouring doorways, till, peep over the wall or out of neighbouring doorways, till,
growing bolder, they venture in groups our of their hidingbrowing bolder, they venture in groups out of their midng,
places to sec, and doubtiess to be seen. Not to alam them, we take notes surreptitiously, and observe that they make quite an ethnological collection of African types Fillani and Ilaussa women from the nejphbourhood, Nupe and Yoruba specimens from the Niger districts, and uthers from the tribes of Adamawa and the Benui regiun. Clearly uur friend is a man of calholic tastes in the matter of women. His harem presents all kinds of faces und finuross, from the copper coloured Fillani, with slender, lithe figure, wellshaped face and positively beautiful ryes, to the shapeless form, black skin, ugly face and muddy eyes of the lowest Negro type. They are all dressed alike, with a lower turkrsi or cloth round the waist, hanging to the ankles, a second shect wound round the body under the armpits, and a third worn in the varied modes of a shawl on the head and shoulder. The hair is gathered into a solid ridge of frease and hair, which extends from the brow to the nape of the neck, something alter the manner of the crest of a helmet. From each temple hangs a kind ri! stiff love-lock. The ankles are adorned with enormously heavy ankilets of sulid brass, the bar being a litile short of an inch and a half in thickness, the ends ornamented with neady made poly. tonal oeads. Nothing better finished cuuld be turned of a European worksilop. Round the wrists are placed several more brass bracelets, not so anpensively ande, but collectively so heavy that"to ease then arms the wearers are frequently to be seen with their hands clayped behind the head or hanging down their backs. Their urnaments usually include a string of agate beads made in the country. The womin, unlike the ajen, do nol affect white coluurs the more fashionable cloths being checks of dark blue, a medium tint of the same, white and magenta. stmong these who can afford expensive articles, the latter two colours are prevalent.
Strangers are not usually admitted into the family compound, but it must not be supposed that the women are strietly bept inside and never let out. Quite the reverse. In the evening they are almost invariably left at liberty in wander forth and join in any dance or merry-making there may bre afoo:. and I would not like to 're responsible for the satement that their behaviour is alwa, sof the best on these ccasions. During the day, also, if any of the women have nying o buy or sell at the market, there is no restriction otheir going thither. In the more wealthy families, how trict seclusion, and oue if not two uives who are kept in crice sectusion, and not unireguently cunuchs are employed Harper's sfagatine.

## LINCOIN ANI EMERSON.

The Centesry says that while Emersun did not write in rerse of Luculn, jet in prose he divides with Lowell the honour of eardy apprectation and fortunate characterzzatuon. In "Miscellanies", will be found an essay entiled "American Civilization," which, according to 2 note by Mr. Cabot, is "part of a lecture deliverted at Washington, January 31,1862 , it is said. in the presence of $\mathrm{P}_{\text {tesident }}$ Lincoln, and some of his Cabinet, some months before the issuing of the Emancipation Proclamation." Mr. Linceln may have been present, but his secretates have no memorandum showing the fact, and the Washington papers of the next day throw no light on the subject; in fact, Mr. Emeron's sun now believes that Lincoln wes probably no pre ginistration, but urged emancipation; and at the close this essay, as printed, is a supplement commending the President for his proproal "to Congeess that the Govern ment shall co-operate with any State that shall enact a cra. dual abolishment cl slavery" Next comes his address on the Emancypatuon Proslamation, in which the President is greatly praised for his moderation, fauness of mind, reticence and firmness. "All these." Emerson says, "have lespoken such favour to the act, that, great as the populaz y of the President has been, we are ep, and 10 thin hat we have underes has made an instrument of benefit so rast. He has breen permitted to do more for Amerlea than any other American man." ete. After this, in the same volme, comes Emerson's lisief but memorabie estay on the cath of Lincoln, in which he says. "Hie is the truchistory of the American people in kis time. Step thy step he walked before them: slow with their slowiness, quickening his anders, true representative of this continent an caturely public man; father of his country, the gulse of 00,000,00 throbbing in his heant, the though of their minds rriculated by his tongue." Again, in the cssay on "Elo gaence" ( $\cdot \cdot$ Excays and Social Aıms"), Emerson praises the Gelysburg speech, and in the essay on "Greamess"
in the same volume he gives Jincoln as an example of the in the same volume he gives Lincoln as an example of the
"great style of hero" who "draws equally all classes" 23sical 25 in it to hold the memory of a wrong."

## WHY JUNK'S HASIE EYES.

Chinese junks and hats have eyes carved or paimed on he bows, which are ucualle supimen to be a merc lancilal lorm of ornamentation. Hut liry have a seal meaning, 28 If Foriane found. In gotar up one of the tivets from it kpy he was staricti one day hy secing a hoatman
seaze his broad ha: and clap it orer one of the "cyes" of seaze his brozil ha: and clap it orer one of the "cyes" iof
the hinat, while nither basts on the silcam were similail); Nonted. Looking alout for ane explanation. he saw a call brily fonking past, and he wase ind bly the baatman hat if the boat han been allowed to "sec" it some diasaster wnald surcly have happoned, either to pasengers or crew,
before the vogage enoed.- ill she Your Round.

## For Tha Canaba l'klshyterian

## AIISIS:

Hy lolis A. cl.AкK, Dusidas.
Mists envelop the valle)"
lank and heavy and gray,
lliding from view on this mountain top
All the work and play.
All the stinfe and conflict,
All the sorrow and sin.
From eyes that try to pleice the gloon
That curtans life's stage in
That curtans life's stage in.
And sol thank on the mountain tol Because there ts naught to see But gray and misty shadows lliding the world f.om me. Humanlike, think of the future As brichter than what is gone, Full of naught hut successes Triumphs and beauty and song.
But the mists that envelop the valley kemind me in my dream
That life is full of shadows,
Thungs are not what they seem.
That where I deemed but victory May be a sad defeat,
That where joy seemed to awatt me
May lie a sorrow deep.
Fut, stretching away through the darkness, Is a road that I must tread, nid all I can see is one step belore Leading on to the-dead. But, however rough the pathway, When 1 get far enough on, will leave the tears and trouble Fur the everlasting song.

Then the past will be the dark, And the future will be the bright, We shall surely see the light.

## DON F「 NAG EACH OTHE.K.

dung nutes and hustands cannot be $\mathbf{t o o}$ strongly rehaped of the protabile shupwreck they will make of their Hapithess if mey yeld to that im.temper when expresict sition and ancsy, ${ }^{\text {Hant }}$ of complance, cous a musement of "nagging " and creating a row. Hundreds of households have gune wrong from the mere want of checking in tume the hallit of annoying as a relicf to a momentary fecting of irriatiun or discomport. The wife who gets tnto the way of contradicting, or "checking" her husband, of opposing him in small things and standing out in large unes-the hus. tand who is sneering, tempestunais, is rannical, fault-finding perhaps neither side knowing the whole extent of its lolly, tut just giving way to it as more casy than to fight and cun. quer it-these young people are doing their best to dif the quer it these young people are doing their best to dig the filtic love will fall into it stark and plumeless, and will never rise to life again.
In the b-ginning these litule :ifis and discomforts are made up with a kiss from him ard a few tears from her to add cement to the reconciliation. By time the tiffs are more acrid, and the reconciliation is less warm. By still further time this never comes at all; and things gee into that ehronic state when there is never an open breach, and never a formal healing, but an ever-widening rift and a never-ending coldness. Then the (wolwes jar and grinil whe rusty hinges-locks which missht the slot, whels Where the axie is sliff, or anything else which would never work ligecher in harnony and smoothness, but which, for want of care to kecp the adjustment exact, perhaps for want of oil to the joints, creak and hang and chale, and do not Honse Jousnal.

ATHLETICS AS A DIACIPLINE OF THE WILL.
All physical exercises, however pleasant at first, tend to hecome isksome ann distasteful when pursued systematically day after day; but the very energy that one is obliged to pline. Havine recoenized the fact that physical exercise is necessary, and that the exiercise is best which bext meets one's individual necds, 2 man should pursuc 18 with all the enercy and vipour that he is capable of throwing into any cther duy or line of conduct. By so doine the training of the will is added to the training of the tody and of le lesson is aded in abnegation and self.mastery cont butcs the most important cleminis to the formation of butes the most imporiant elements to the formation of worting and a halhy hatil of livins and the menod of wothing and a healhy havi of pring, and the young man
will have had the best kind of preparatory training for the will have had the.
Jusiness of life.
The undergoing of present hardship for the sake of future gain is one of the most encouraging features con. nected with athletic sports and ganacs That the participanis may be in the frest physical concition at the day of the contest, they are obliged 20 undergo 2 long and arduous course of training, denying themselves linuutier, foregoing
plearures and holding themselves dowit pleasures and holding themselves dowfi to 2 rigid system of mechanical exercises for an ultamate object-the winning of a roor race. boat race, of 2 hall kame. If one man in 2 hundred will praciise self.dcnial, ana undergo hardship in ord 7 to win 2 prize in a ficeting prostime, is it not an insult to the remaining ninciy-nine to assume that they have not suficient morale to make a similar cfiort in preparing 10 win the higher piaze of mice - Professor D. A. Sargenf, in Serib-


## JGritisb and Joreign.

Dr. Dol.list.er, whe is now eighty-sevelt, is reported to be dying.
Tile choir loys of St. Peter at Rome have struck for an increase of salary for serving mass.
2s addition of 339 was made last year to the uember-
hip of the Irish Methodist Church. ship of the Irish Methodist Church.
Rev. Davil Ross, of Dundec, has been recommended by he congregational committee fur the vacancy in Anderston Church.
Boskle U'niled l'restycerian congregatoon held conmemorative setvices lately to signaliee the atamment of ats third jubiles.
The Kev. Allan Macarthur, minister at Barvas for the last thity years, and who was very popular all over the sland, died lately, aged sixty-five
Dr. W. M. Taylor, of New York, has arrived in Eng. land; lie will spend July and August in Europe. Dr. Taylor is accompanied by his saughter.
Tus Rev P. Rajahgopaul, pastor of the native Free Churel congregation in Madras. whose school for native girls was one of the most interesting sights in that city, is lead.
The Kev. William MacGillvray has informed Hope Street congrecation, Glasgow, that he cannot accept their call, and that further proceedings in regard to it may be stopped.
Tae fuundation stune of the new church at Connel Ferry was laid by Mr. Camphell of Dunstafinage. It is in cest albut $\$ 6,000$, and it is expected that at will be opened with little or no debt.
A1 Paisles, the U. I. Church on Gentge Sireet, now all but a new buidding, save the outsade walls, was reopened by Kevs. A. Elder, pastor, Dr. Anderson, of Clasgow, and Thumas Geniles, of the Abbey.
Ir has been decided that the memorial to the late Rev. Willam (jraham, of Newhaven, to be ereceed in his native town of l.ochmaben, shall take the form of a statue, to be placed in front of the town hall.
Tre south-west window of the nave of St. Giles' Church has lieen filled with stained glass by the family of Dr. Lindsay Alcxander as a memorial of their parents. The panels give scenes from the life of Moses.
Frederick Dolc.lass, who was for twenty-four years a slave, pave a lecture on "John brown" lately in the Palaz23 Maroni at Rome, a house near the Vatican which
for hundreds of jears has generally been occugned by for hundr
cardinals.
Tue payment of the expenses of the Jubilee service in St. Giles, vetween $\$ 350$ and $\$ 500$, has been left to the congregation of that Church. A member writes to the papers complaining that the town council has not contrabuted a single farthing.
Fearn congregation, Ross-shire, has unanimously elected Mr. M'Cilluray, probatoner, Inverness, who as also called to Hupe Strect Church, Glaygow, ard the Gaelic congregation at Dundee propose tahing steps toward a call to the same sentleman.
ifk. K. Agnew Wallace of Rhyd, Dunfermline, a noted Fifeshire agticulturist, is dead. He was actively enpaged in evangelistic nork till within a keek of his death.
He was the second son of the late Sir Jovn A. A. Wallace, lart, of Lechyran.
The pullishers of the "Encyclonzedia Britanrica" state that the late Prolessor Spencer Baytues alad for some years retreci frum the duties of editor, and that the credit of ssccessfully carying forward the book is due to Dr. Robert. son Smith himself.
Victor Hugo's personal esta:e in England has been realized at noore than $\$ 450,00$, and he has left money in his own country and an estate in Germany besides to one, daughter-out of her mind, ales !-and to two grandehildren who have lost their father.
Tue Kev. David B. Williamson of Kirkmaiden. in his Jubilee sermun, alluded to the interesting fact that her Majesty once personally visited that parsh in 2 private capacity. It is the special portion of 2 picturesque penin-
sula, which she herself has described in her llighland sula, wh
Journal.

Mr. Corland of Catrine was presented at the celebrawon of his church's jubilee with a gold watch and appendages, a purse of twenty one sovercerns, and a silver tea service for his wifc. Mr. William ${ }^{1} \cdot$ Call was present as the only surviving member of those who took part in its opening ; and the first two baptazed in the church were also present.
Tue Ilome Office has appointed Drs. Arch. Scotr and Nirman Maclecil, alone with Mr. C. J. Pearson, advocaic, 10 be members of the Bible Board. in soom of the late Dr. William Kobertson, Dr. R. H. Stevenson and Kev. Sis llenry Alonericff. Since the death of Sir Henry no new
secrelary has been appointed, and the duties are now persecrelary has been appointed, and the duties are now performed by the law agent, Mis. James Bruce, W.S.
Dr. Stemart, of Ballachulish (" Nether Lochaber "), took 2 prominent part in 2 Jubilec demonstration on the rocky plateaj of Achnacraig, abore St. Munn's Church. A latge cairn, snow-white quartz has been erected, which is to be called '"The Qucen's Caitn"'; and here, headed by a piper, the party drank 2 humper to
Majesty, and daneed severai mesty recls.
TuE applicants for the chair of Theology at Aberdeen are Rev. Messrs. Baxier, Cameron, Fife; W. S. Bruce, 3anff; Cowan. Edinburgh; Davidson, St. Cyrus ; Horn, Drechorn; J. A. A 'Clymon, Aberdecn, Dufi Macdenalư, Dalziel; Slewart, Mains, Dundec; Dr. M'Calman Tur. Nic, North Herwick ; Wart, Anderrion, Glasgow; and Wath, Edinkillic. The examination commences on the 2jrd of August.

## Ministers alt Gburches.

Tux congregation of Eiskine Church, Hamilton, have resolved to call the Rev. Hugh Rose, M.A., Elora.
The Kev. D. McDonald, pastor of the l'reslyterian Church, Glenarm. has left for a few weeks' holiday.trip to his native country, Scotland.
Tur members and fiiends of St. James Presbyterian reautiful address and a handsome purse previous to his de parture to lalvur in the town of Snith's Falls.
On Sabbath morning week, the batallion kand and menbers of No. 4 Elora Co. paraded for divine service, which was held in Knox Church. The Rev. Hugh Ruse preached an excellent discourse to a very large congicgatiun.
The anniversary sermons in connection with the settlement of Rev. D. L. MeCrae were preached on Sabbaht
week by Principal Grant. Large audiences listened with pleasure and profit to the discourses of the eloguent Principal of Queen's University.
Tue Rev. J. Ewing, Mount Pleasant, oceupied his pulpit last Salbath. He has been away for five or six weeks in
Wimning, attending the General Assembly. He also visted Wianineg, attending the General Assembly. He also visted
his fra..dds in Dakota. His congregatuon are pleased to his fro...ds in Dakota.
have him with them agcin.
Tue hadies of the Glengarry Preshyterial Woman's Foreign Missionary Society recenily presented Miss Minme G. Fraser with the gift of $\$ 100$, accompaned with an add. diress expressive of warm regard, and a deep interest
toreign mission wotk for which she is now preparing.
The Rev. John McTavish, D. D., of Inverness, Scolland, preached carnest and impressive sermons last Sabbath in
Knox Church, Toronto, morning and afternoon, and in the Knox Church, Toronto, morning and afternoon, and in the
evening in Eiskine Church. The afternoon service was evening in Erskine Church. The altennoon service was
conducted in Gaelic. It was largely altended, and highly appreciated.
Tur gaden party on the grounds of the First Preshy:
tecian Church, St. Mary's, on Fruday evening weet, was a zerian Church, Et. Mary's, on Fruday evening week, was a
very successful afatr. The occasion was the annoversary of the induction of the popular pastor of the syrgregation,
Rev. Air. Turnbull. All present passed a pleasant and en Rev. Air. Turnbull. All presens passed a pleasant and en,
joyable evenng. The proceds anounted to nearly $\$ 85$.

Acknownengemers.-Dr. Reid has received : M. B., Thorold, $\$ 25$. Hume Missions, $\$ 10$, Foreign Missions, $\$ 10$, Aged and initm Ministers Fund $\$ 5$ Two Ladies, Toron-
 and jewisht Mistions.
Tue Rev. Branch Huuie preached in Lucknuw Juiy 17. The house was crowded, and in the evening, standing room was not availalile. On the 1 Sth and 20 th Sis. Honie again
addressed large andiences un the Last and Eas.ern Churches. On the motiun of Mr. D. E. Cameron, a vote of thanks and hope to see Mr. Huwic again in Lucknow plassed by a standing vote.
The Rev. W. Ballantyne, of Pembroke, has been appuint d Principal of Oltawa Ladies' Collece. Mr. Hallan. tyne has had considerable experience as an educatonist, anc
will doubles- render valuable service in the sphere on which he enters next term. Mr. Woors takes sphere on which he enters nexi term. Nir. Woors takes
charg of the London Collegiate Instatuc, where he is certain to accomplish excellent work.
We are glad to report the successful canvass for Knox Endowment in the cungregation of Glencon, over which the
Rev. D. Currie, $\$ \mathrm{I}$ D., formerly of Three Ruvers, is now pator. The heaty support and assistance senidered by and the results gratitying. The Glencoc people will soon require more chutch accommorlation, as under Ms. Curgees minstrations the work is prospering.
The Rev. Gustavus Munro, M.A., of Embro, having
 by two young ladies representing the congregation, who, with the compliments of the congregalbon. presented the pastor
with a purse containing the handsome sum of $\$ 56$. Mr. with a purse containing the handsome sum of \$56. Mir.
and Mrs. Munro. with herr youngest son, Master Jotin and Mrs. Munio, with their youngest son, Mas.
Candlish, left on Wednesdyy for the Upper Lakes.
Tur minister and Sablath schnol teachers of the Prepily
cerian Church, Manitowaning, Manitoulin Island, through terian Church, Manitowaning, Manitoulin Island, thrnugh
ThX Canada Preshytevian, tender their sincere thanksto Dr. Cochrane, Brantiord, and his congregation, lor sending to our Sabbath school a hox of books and papers. Other con
gregatiuns might follow the example of Dr. Corchane's congregation without loss to themselves, and at the same zime greatly help the cause of Christ among struggling Sal.
bath schools in destitute missiun fields, by sending seat and unused books in their own Sabbath schools. -D. EAMkRON.
Tur closing meeting of the members of Chalmers Church Mission Band, Guelph, for the summer season was held last week. Mr. james nnes occupicd the chanr. The opening,
derotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Dr. Torrance. After a few introdactory remarks ly the charman. Miss Kate White secited with Iecing "An Appeal lof China,
composed by one of the Mission Band. The Kev. Mis. composed by one of the Misslun Band. The Rev. Mr. Toronto, then gare 2 very inictesung and umpressive adldiess on the importance of lureign missions and the duty of
Chtistians in conrection therewuh, which was histened to with the greatest altention. The procceds werte brought in a close by singinf the missionary hymn, "Far, fat away;"
and the benediction.
 messare to the members of the Woman's Forcign Mission Sociely. In is as follows: I thank the women of Ontario
for the clothes sent to our people, for if they did not get them
our children would have starved. I thank you for coming to sec us-also for what has been dore for the children and
old people. I thank the deputation tor coming to strengthen old people. I thank the depuation tor coming to streng then
Mr. McKay in teaching us how to worship God. One thing Mr. Mckay in teaching us how to worship God. One thing
more: it is our duty to give God thanks that we all meet more: it is our duty to glve liod thanks that we all meet
here on Ilis day to worship llim together. We thank God here on llis day to worship Him together. We thank God
for sending us a man like Mir. McKay to teach us the word of Good, is we never heard such a none leffore. I expect you
will carry my thanks to the good women who sent us the will carry my thanks to the good women who sent us the
clothing and the Gospel, and may Gorl grant we meet agnin clothing and the Gospel, and
to give each other instruction.
The summer school, under the direction of Mr. Moody, evangelist, opened at Northfield, Mass. Over 400 students Were in atendance, most of whom ate from colleges in the proncipally from More aill College, Montreal, and Queen's College. Kingston. There are English sluilems from Cam. bridee and some noted Londun business men in attendance.
inesides some Japanese, and one trom Siam. The olject of tresitles some japanese, and one trom Slam. The object of
this school is bible study, as well as health. promoting tecre. ation. Certainly the latter part of the programme is well
ater cartied out, and the different college clubs unite in base
ball, lawn tennis, boating and bathing, and in have time generally. Mr. Moody is director of the whole con cenn. He has several men of evangelistic fame there.
Anang others are Professor Drummont, author of "، Antung others are Professor Drummont, author of "Na
mala Law in the Spiritual World," Dr John A. Broadus, tntal L.W in the Spiritual World,' Dr. Jol
Dr. A. T. Pierson and Dr. W. L. Munhall.
On Wednesday evening week a iubilee social was hel:d in the Peeshitierian Church at West Flamtoro', to cele.
Irate the tiltieth anmuersary of the ordination of Mr. Whi brate the thlieth annuversary of the ordination of Mr. What
hiam IIenderson, of Rockion, to the eldership of that Church. As usual, the ladies of the congregation provided a splendul least. Atter efieshments the crowd repaired to
the church, where they wete entertaned by Mr. Fisher, the pastor, who gave a short sesume of the history of the congregaicon from its orgalization under the Rev. Thomas Chistic over fify years ago to the present time. An address was then read, and Mr. William Henderson was pre-
sented hy the Session and congregaion witha handsome casy sented by the Session and congregation with a handsome casy char, a par of seld spectacl. a louk case and secretary,
a Luble and other aricles as a wien ol their appreciation ot a Ruble and other articles as a cuken ol their appreciation of him as a man and an elder. He was complietely taken by
surbise, but nade a very suitable reply, thanking them for surbinse, but made a very suitable reply, thanking them for
the firie presents which they had piven him. Rev. Dr Laing, of Dundas, alsu gave a very execllen' address. Be :ween the sperches wete interspersed exquisite singing hy Miss Bulton and Mr. Mloore, accumpanicd by Miss $S$.
Boyle. The Lynden choir performed heir part admirably. a must sociable and enjoyable evening was spent, and all were sory when it came to a close.
Tur Dundas Bonner says: Sume eight years ago thrie flourished a "Yourg. Men's Mulual Improvement Socicty" popular at the tune, and on us membership roll were the popular at the thme,
names of a lage number of the youngershen of the town and neighbourhood. By :nvitation of Dr. Laing there assembled al the marse a number of gentiemen who were members of the soctety. A very pleasant evetung was spent ly these genilemen in reviewing the past and compating their cx.
pericnces since they had left loyhood behind, and entered periences since they had left loyhood behind, and entered
into the work of the world as cusy men. It was found that five of their old associates were dend, while the others who are living are scattered all over the habutable globe, only seven still remaining in Dundas. The fenilemen present were unanimous in acknowledging the benefit they had dexived from: what they had learned at the meetings of the Mfutual Improvement Sucicty, and they united in sincercly
thanking Dr. I, aing for has good example and advice, both thanking ar. laing yor his good exampie and advice, toth their lives. Alter relreshments the company dispersed, having spent, as they afterward expresseti it, a pleasanter social evening than they had done for years.
Is the Glote's "About Town" occurs the following: promaneat lreslyyirrian eljer to his pastor in 2 Yange Sitect car the other day. "I saw an item about them in a
local paper. Who are they?" "Wiell" said that kaper. Who are they? "Welle". said the minister, tuon of massiofos, as aie also the stulents of other colleges. and four of their number-Mckenzic, Gofurth, Webster and McGallusas - who intend guing on the foreign fild, asked permussion from the Foreipn Mission Commitice to mast: comgregatuuns in Western Oniatio, and hold missionary dents began wheth at Windsut in April last. Since then they have visited niac liteshyicries, held more than 250 meetings, and delivered betueen 300 and 400 adidresses. The cullecChurch, uf what go to the Futcign Missiun Fund of the awahenced sn the different cuncregations is simply wondercul It is a sort of missiunary revival. Their tour closed with the meetings held in Guelph on Sunday weck. Congregations cast of Toronto may be visited in September The mission
question is coming to the toms. Sume of the lest meth in question is coming to the liont. Some of the best melt in men in vur colleges are going out as missionaties." the best
O.: Fuday evening, July 25 a secial meeting was held in the lecture room of West Church to welcome home the pastor. Kice. K. Wallace, on his relurn from the General
Assembly and the Facific cuast. The following addiess Assembly snd the faccific cuast. The following aditress
was then icad by Captain Sylvester. one of the elders, was then read by Captain Sylvester. one of the elders, sented te hime hame a very valuable gold watch was pre-
shall. scmur cider: Dear pastor, in this age of untest and change, a pastorate as long as that which you bare spent amongst us is a rare exception. We desire if express our pratitude to the Great
11 :ad of the Church that lor iwenty yars you have been spared to minister to us in holy things. Datisic all these years in which the growth of the congrecation has kept pace with tice growth of the city, jou have been with us in faithfully declared to us the whole counsel of God. We
ber of you to aceent of this watch as 2 small token of our
appreciation of your unrenilting labours for our welfare and venture to express the hope That it may mensure for you
many happy days of honoured usefulness. We also desire many happy days of honoured usefulness. We also desire
to express our estecin for your worthy helpmate, and ask to express our estecin for your worthy helpmate, and ask her persunally, and also a small token of our regatd for interest in the work of the Churrh. We trust that you
ind may both be spared for very many years, and that you may more and more enjoy a sweet sence and power as you laloour in lis vineyard. In a few words Mr. Wallace expressed his thanks for the kindly spisit which was manilested toward him in the gift so un expected, and his appreciation of the kindness of the ladies in n.aking his wife a liie-member of the Woman's Foreign Mission of our Church. The rest of the evening was occupied with several shorl addresses and music by the choir, and the refreshments served thy the ladies. It was re solved to add $\$ 300$ to Mr. Wallace's salary. During the last eighteen months 355 have been added to the member ship of the Church.
presbyjery of Oranghvili.p.-This Presiytery met July 12. The Lev. Mr. McFaul's term as Moderator hav-
Ins expired, Mr. Fowlie was appointed Moderator for the ing expired, Mr. Fowlie was appointed Moderator for the
next six months. FPursuant to a request from St. Andrew's Church, Proton, Mr. Ross was appointed to ordain elders there. A call from Ballinafad and Melville Church, Cale don, and also a call fron Mono Mills, Mono East and Adjala, were laid on the table in favour of Rev. J. W. Orr, Buth calls were unanimous, and the stipend promised in each case is $\$ 750$ and manse. The calls were sustajined, and forwarded to tir. Orr. Messrs. Jotm Maxwell, Wyfie C. Clarke, H. Mckitrick, Bryee, Innes and William Graham, appearell lefure the Prestytery, wishing to be recogrized as students, studjing with a view to the ministry. llaving been heard in regard to their personal experi- nce and motives, the Clerk was instructed to certify them to any of the Assembly's colleges when they desire it. A large amoun of routine business having beenattended to, the Presbyter) agreed to hold its regular meeting at Shelluurre, on the second Tuestla
Pres. Clerk.
Presaytery of Whitby.-This Presbytery met in St Paul's Church, Buwmanville, on Tuesday, July 19, ten mumsters and eight elders presen. were examined, and antested as cottectly kept. The siand-
ing commattes tor the year were appoined. The following committes for the year were appointed. The follow State of ReliLion, Rev. J. Mc.Mechan : Finanee. Mr. D. Ormaston; Home Missions, Licv. J. Abraham; Temper ance, R=v. N. D. Fraser; Siudents, Rev. A. Lesslic;
Schemes, Rev. J. Abraham ; Examiners: Revs. A. Leslie; Philosophy; Kippen, Latin; McClelland, Greek; Came on. Heb.ew: Drummond, Personal Relipion; McLaren,
Church History; A. Fraser, Theology. To have uversigh of the Schemes within the Prestytery: Revs. J. Aleraham, Colleges; Carmehat, Home Missions; Leshe, Foreipn Missions; K. D. Fraser, French Evanpechaztion; McMe Chan, Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund : McClelland,
Widows' and Oiphans' Fund. Miessis. K. Draser S Widows' and Orphans' Fund. Miessis. K. D. Fraser, S
H. Eastman, and J. Mc.Mech.n reported attendance at 11. Eastman, and J. Mc.Mechin reported attendance at
Ceneral Assembly. It was stated that Rev. J. Cameron and Mr. P. Nesbit had also attended. The cummittee to Ennis killen reported, and a new committee was appointed to visi he field with a view 10 the readjustment of the amount contributed respectively by the two congregations for ordi nances. The treasurte's report was adopted, and thank were accorded him for his services, and instructions given to correspond with congregations in arrears to Presbytery Fund. The pas ment of expenses of commissioners to the Assembly was deferred will next meeting. Mr. Leslie's mo tion, in regard to the making up of the Presbyiery roll, was referred to a committee, of which he is Convener, 10 repor: to next Preshytery. Mr. Leslie gave notice of mation that all
commissioners to Assembly shall be appointed thy zotation, unless Diocers to Assembly shall be appornted iny rotation, Ishawz on Tuesday, October 18 , at hall-past ien a.m.-K.

Presbytery of lpincr Edinard Island.-This I'reslyyery met in Zion Church on July 12, and uas con
sutuied by Kev. William R. Frame. Moderator fro $1(\mathrm{~m}$ situted by Kev. William R. Frame, Moderator pro 8 rm
There were present : Rev. James Alan, J. M. McLeod There were present : Rev, James Alan,
W, M. Frame, James Carruhers. A. S. Stewath, E. (iillis Aiesszs. T. C. James, i; M. Fiasez and Dunald McLeod,
 sents. were invited to sat in Preslytiery as curtesponding members. Rev. E. Gillis reported that, accurding to ap poniment, he had preached in the cungregation of $O$ or well and moderated in a call which sesulied in faveur of Ret
D. B. McLeod, late of Quincy. Mlass, that the call wa unammous, cordial and enthusiastic, that it was signed by 150 members and liy 110 adherents, and that Messis Rowe, Crawford, Juhn McLeod and James McLeod were apponnted 25 cummissioners to prosecute the call lefore the Ireshytery. These commissioners having been heard, the
conduct of Mr. Gillis was approved and the call rasiained conduct of Mr. Gillis was approved and the call rastained
as a secular Gospel call. Mr. McI_coll being present the call was placed in his hands and accepted by him. Oa motion, the induction of Mr. Mcleod was appointed zo take place in the Orwell IIcad Church, Thuraday, 2Sith July, a elever: ocluek x.m., the Monlerator to mireside, Ker. J. M McLeod to preach the sermon, Rev. James Carrathers to address the minister, Kev. William R. Frame to address the congregation in English, and Rec. A. S. S: = watt 20 addren them in Gaelic. Rev. $k$. Laird was appointed to preach in Orwell. an Sablipath. ${ }^{17 \text { th }}$ inst., and serve the edict of induc tion, and Kev. J. M. MeLeor to exchange with Rev. D. B MeLLed and cad the enict a second time on the 24 ih inst
Ker. E. Gillis was appointed to preach in Bellast on 271 h inst. Rer. Dr. Jenkins, iate of Monireal, kindly consentied to preach in Dellast on 24 th inst, and it is expected that
Rev. M. L. Leitch, of Valleyfidd, Quebec, will preach in
the same congregation un the 3 sst inst. Rev. Robert Laird was appointed to preach in Bravk fie
Pasinytery of Quahec.- This Presbytery met in Morrin College, (Quelece, on the tzith Juis. E:Iders' commis. sioners in favour of James Dunbar for Kingsbury and
Bromplon Gore, and George Ramsay for Levis, were sead Bromplon Gore, and George Rannsny for Levis, were zead
and accepted. Mr. James D). Ferguson, of Windsor Mills, and accepled. Mr. James 1 . Fergusun, of
was elected Moderator for the ni xt twelve months. Mr. James Sutherland was appointed Moderalor of the Session of St. Sylvester and Leeds. Leave was granted to this
congregation to moderate in a call. Mr. Charbonnel gave a report of his labours for the last quarter. The seport set forth that there are in his fellil furty-four French Psevestant families seattered over a very wide area and embracing not less than 150 persons. The report duelt upon the need of establishing a French mission school in Sherbrooke. Mr.
Tertel, adverale, Sherbrooke, offered, through Mr. Char. Tertel, advarale, Sherbrooke, offered, through Mr. Char-
bonnell, a site in East Sherbrooke comprising one acre of bonnell, a site in East Sherbrowke comprising one acre of
land for that purpose. The offer was gratefully Ieceived, and the Presbjtery's thanks tendered 10 Mr. Terrel. Mr. Tanner, Convener of the Preshytery's Commiltee on French Work, reported that there are now eight French Missionaties labouning within the bounds and two colporteurs passing through parts of the Presbytery; that the mission schooling in
Quelec is doing good work, being attended by twenty-one pupils. Mr. Charbonnel, subject to the approval of the Boand of French Evangelization, was granted leave of ab
sence in order to visit France. Rev. Iohn McLov, B.A. sence in order to visit France. Rev. John MeLeod, B.A.,
was received as $a$ minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The call addressed to Mr. McLeod from Richmond and Melbourne was taken uf. The call was sus tained, and Mr. MeLeod's acceptance of the same was read. The induction was appointed to take place in Chalmers Church, Richmond, on August 2 , at eight o'clock p.m., Mr. J. R. Mcleod to preside and address the minister, Mr.
Tanner to preach and Mr. Pritchard to address the people. Mr. James Sutherland was appointed Convener of the Committee on Sablath Schools, Mr. Lelelvire on that of Temperance, Mr. Tanner on that of French Work, Dr. Lamont on that of the State of Religion, Mr. Pritchard on that of name was added to the conmittee formerly appointed to hold 2. resbyterial visitation of the conprepation of Ling
wick. Messts. Love, J. R. McLeod and Brodie, commis. sioners to the General Assembly, reported therr diltgence and received the thanks of the Presbyitery. The committee appointed to look after Presiyterian immigrants on the arrivener, that from inquifies made and from some practical efforts in that direction, the work is most utgent and recom. mended the Preshytery to take steps to secure the services of some fit person to look alter these immigrants upon, and owing to the want of funds, felt themselves to be largely help. owing to the want of funds, felt themselves to be largely help.
less in the malter, but instrucied the commattec to continue their labours and inquarres in this important and urgent work. The Presinten adjoumed to meet at Inverness on the 20th Sept, at seven p.m.-I. R. McLeon, Pres. Clerk.
Preshytrry of Huron-This Presbytery met in Moderator for the ensuing six montrs. Elders commis sions were receive., and the roll partially made up. Com missioners to the Assembly gave a seport of their attend ber of vacancies to be two, and mission stations, one. funds in the treasury, and specifying the concregations which failed in contributing to the Presbytery fund. A which failed in contributing to the Prestytery fund. A
committee, consisting of Messss. Fletcher, Martin and Sormers, was appointed to nominate the standing committees. The organiz tzun of kinburn was delayen, anid Mr. Mas: Irsesbytcrian element in that neighbourhood. Mr. Stew apt, of Clinton. Was granted leave of absence for three moaths, and Mr. Rxmsay appointed Moderator of his Ses sideted, praying that the concrecation of Chisethust separated from that of Carmel Church, as the latter congregation requires the whole services of the pastor. A commitice, consisting of Messzs. Fletcher and Ramsay and ments could be made lor the supply of Chiselhusst in the erent of its being sepatated from Carmel Church. Standing committes were appointed in accordance with the rewhom the folluwing sece the Conveners, viz., Rev. I. Mus grave, of the liome Mission Commiltee; Kev. S. Ache U. D. Wilson. Sabbath Schouls; Ket. A. Stewart. Tcm perance : Kev. D. M. Ramsay, Sabbath Ol servance : Ker,
R. Y. Thompron, Sup tintendence of Studens. The auditors' repors was received and adopted. The following deliverance was adopted esspecting the death of the late
Mr. Ross, of Bruceficld: In view of the recent deceare Mr. Ross, of Bruceficld : In view of the recent decease of Mr. Tohn Rons, late oi Mrucefield, the Preshytery, of
which Mr. Ross was for many years 2 memler desife Which Mr. Ross was for many years 2 memler, desire to
place on record thcir deep appreciation of his talents and place on record their deep appreciation of his talents and
Christian chatacter, and of the eminent services rendered Christian character, and of the eminent services rendered
by him in the caute of Christ during the whole of his ministry, extending over a period of thirty-six years. The iabours of M1, Ross were not confined to his own congregation; he laid the Charch under great olligations by his the eatier years of his ministry when this western country was new, and a large proportion of its existing congrega.
tions was in the potition of minsion stations. fhe Presiny tery desire also to express deen sympathy, with Mrs. Koss 1 llim th has a father to the fatheriess. Moderations in calls were granted 20 Manchestef, elc., and Baysich Rood, etc.
Mr. Thompson reported ithat ihe Commiltee on the Super intendence of Sludents met with Mr. J. A. Taylor and
Mr. Moore, B. A., teacher in the Goderich High School,
who applied to he received as students for the ministry
and recummended that Mr. Taylor becert fied to the col and recummended that Mr. Taylor be cert fied to the co pressed his desire for reasons civen to lee allowed to pro secute his theological studies under the superintendence of the Prestytery, the committee asked that the yreshytery recommend his case to the favourable consideration of the Assembly. The repurt was receivet, and its recommenda. tions adople. The Preshytery then adjurned to hold its next regular mee:ing in Caven Church, Exeter, on the Mclean, J'es. Clerk.

## MONTREAL NOTES.

The Rev. Dr. Burns, Moderator of the General Assembly, has been in Montreal for the last few days. He preached Salbath morning, and in Sinntey Street Church in the Sabbath morning, and in Stantey Street
evening. He left for home on Wednesdays
Scarcely any of the city pastors are now in town. Erskine and Knox coneregations are being suppled by Rev. jle Smith, M.A., of Guelph, who has captivated the peoMe by his rresh, earnes, and eloquent discourses. Rev. the next two Sabbaths. Rel. Aaron Mathews continues to altract large and appreciative congregations in Crescent Street Church.

St. Paul's Church is closed for two weeks to enable certain repairs, cleaning, etc., to be attencled to. The kev.
Dr. Jenkins, pastor emerifus, is expected to preach on the Dr. Jenkins, pastor cimeritus, is expected to preach on the
first two Sabbaths of August. The Ductor came out from Engt wo Sabiaths of sugust. The Ductor eame out free weeks 2go, and is now visiting frients in
End Prince Edward Island. He will seceive a warm welcome from his many friends in Montreal.
St. Mathew's Church is suppited by Mr. F. H. Larkin, student, and Taylor Church by Mr. J. A. Maclatlane, in the absence of Messrs. Cruiksharik and Bennett.
The Rev. Dr. Campbell, of St. Gabriel Church, has gone to Murray Bay. The Rev. G. Cuthbertson, of Wjoming, preaches for him on Sathath irst, and the Rev. Dr. Woin
of Alton, Illinois, on the 3 ist of July $\begin{aligned} & \text { nd } \\ & 7 \mathrm{th} \\ & \text { August. }\end{aligned}$
The Kev. G. Colborne Heine has gune to New Brunswick for his vacation. During his alsence, his pulpit
being supplied by the Jev. Mr. Kiti Irom Philadelphia.
The Rev. J. MacGillivray, of Melville Church, Cote StAntoine, leaves next week for a month's rest at the seaside, his brother supplying his pulpit in his absence. The Rev.
F. M. Dewcy, of Stanle) Street Church, is also taking a F. M. Dewcy, of Stanley Street
month's vacation al the salt water.

The long continued excessive heat is driving every one out of the city who can pussibly get away. It is many years since we have had so hut a summer, as the mortality, especially among children, is very high. There has this sea son been estalilished here a children's fresh air fond, the ohject being to give the poorer children of the city an outing for 2 day or for 2 week or two 25 the cirsumstances remand. Some to Varennes, where a large luilding has been secured and furnished tor the purpose, while others are taken in large numbers for 2 day's sail on the river. The need of such a philanthropic work no one can quesion who is ar all in the summer months. If physicians think it necessary that the children of the lecter off citizens, who live in the healthier and less crowded sections of Montreal, siould be taken out of the city duting the hot season, how much more necessary that those of the poorer classes should have a change? The movement, though only recently inaugurated, is proving quite successful. The credit of it largely !elongs
to Mr. Hugh Graham, of the Star, who originated the scheme, so far as our city is concerned, gave a personal contribution of $\$$ s,oos, and worked up an interest in it thruugh the columns of his paper, and has spent much ume and labour in getiorg it propesly launched. Ie has been largely aijed by several laymen and by ministers of some of the churches in the peorer districts, prominent among the Rev. James Patterson, our Preshyterian city missionary, who have cone into the work cons amore and have rendered valuable service in its furtherance. Already large numbers of childien and not a few mothers also have been greatly of chilien and not a rew minitrs also have been greatly the sparine of not a few lives and the strengeliening of not 2 few weak sickly children, t." whom life wherwive would only hare proved a burticn. As showing the hold this
movement has taken on the cummuntity, upwards of $\$ 3.500$ move ement has taken on the cummunity, upwards of $\$ 3.500$
have thus fat been voluntarily conmorituied on th hall of the work, without any pertunal canvass of solicitatum ot
than the references in the pajers to what is bing done.
The Rev. Aaron [Mathews, now supplying Crescent Street Church, is foing west the week as far as Toronto and Niagara. He is in addresc a meeting in the interests of crenine Jowish Society in St. Cathatines, on Thursday meting in Lachute.

It is an open secret that the Fev. Iames Barclay, of St. Paul's Church, is about 20 receive an invilation to take charge of the First Preshyterian congregation in Melbourne,
Austraia, at a salary considerably in advance even of that Australia, at a ealary considerably in advance even of that
of his present charge. The rumour has created a goorl deal of anxicty among Mr. Barclay's many friends hefe, all of whom hope that he will not entettain the ider of leaving Moniteal.
Fift: Salvationists, men and women, about to leave for India, have heen parading she sireets of London in IInda costame.
Thr late Mr. Alexander Wedicll, confectioner, Paisley,
has bequeathed $\$ 2,500$ to the Free Church Piesbytery money is to be deroled to the extablishment of iwo lursa. ries for students entering the divinity 1 , 1 .

## ¥abbath ¥cbool Teachcr

## INTENNATTUNAL JEESGONS.

##  <br> $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Matl. } 4 \\ 27.25 .\end{array}\right.$ Golden Taxt.-The people which sat in darkness saw great light.--Mat. iv. 16 .

## shomter catechish

Question 33.-The answer to this question explains one of tue most important ductines of Scripture. Justification, fremg from the guill ard condemnation of $\sin$, is God's own act, Ireely and graciously performed. Sin is pardoned for
Chast's sake, because Iie hath hved and dhed lor us. The Chast's sake, because He hath hved and dhed lor us. The
in we way we can be jusufied is by betieving in and receiving - niy way we can be justulied is by beleving in and rece
Cnist, as our Saviuur. Jusification is ly tath alone.

## in rioducrory.

Alter the Temptation John the Bapnist publicly declared esus to be the Messiah. In Cans of calilee he hat wrough His hast recorded maracle. He had veitell the Temple, and cast lorth those who desecrated 11 He performed several miracies, and when join the Sapmst was improsoned by to Gallec. I'reaching in Nazareth, Be was thrust out of the town and went to Capernaum. He now enters on lis uninterrupted Messianic work.
. Christ's Preaching. - The preaching of John the Baptist was a prelude of the preaching of Christ. He took up the message which jobn by his ipg ononment was uaable at hand." Pruclaing. "only entrance into the kingdum of God is at hand. The only enirance into the Kinglom of geans a
through the gateway of repentance. Repentance mean through the gateway of repentance. Repentance means a
change of mad, turning from evil toward Gind. This change of mind, means also a change of purpoes, and that implies a change of conduct, 2 turning from cvery false and wicked way, and walking in the way of God scommandments. The reason given is that the kingdom of hearen is at hand. The kingiom of heaven here means the community which Chrint was to establish. It was to comprise all who accept Christ as therr Saviour and their King, who recognize his law as supreme, and who conse crate themselves to his service. It is ever exiending its conquests, and will in due time reach universal sway. In
these early days of Chist's ministry the kingdom was dethese early days of Chist's ministry the kingdom was
clared to be at hand. Christ is its one foundation, and it is an everhasting king
11. Disciples Called.-The Sea of Galilee was what would now be considered a small inland lake. It was grealest depth about 125 feet. The first disciples called to follow Christ were fishermen. They were in humble circumstances. Not many noble, not many mighty, weie called. Simon or Simeon was the name by which one of hisse industrious fishermen was called. Christ changed his name to Cephas, of which Peter was the Greek equiwith him, meabs a yock. Pecer's brother, Ais disciples. The call was addressed to them immediately after Jesus had manifested His power over nature in the miraculous draught of fishes. Success in fishing requires skill and paitence. Their occupation was a sughestive symbol of the sald esus, and I will make you hishers of men. The world is the restess sca in which people are exposed to destruction. They are to be saved, ..nd landed on the shore of eternal life. Fishers of men need wisdom'and patience, but they have an assuring promise in Christ's "I hill make you
hesitate. to consider whether they could make more mioney by following their trade or in Chist's service. "They straightHay eeft their nets, and other two brothers, james and John, who were engased wuth their father as fishermen. 11 c called them. They $\mathbf{t 0 0} \mathrm{im}$. their father as insermen. the call. They lett their boat and
mediatly complied wath their father, and went with Jesus. They did not cease to love and care for their relautives. Christ's call does not con fict with any of God's laws. That Christ's service is not inconsistent with filal du:y is seen most impressively when on the cross Hic confided io thas same Joun the care of His mother. These fishermen who now acknowledged Chriat as their Master were uselul and honoured in the work to which they were called. James wis the first of the band of dascaples who was called ou to suffer matiyidom, and Petet had the same disunctuon at 2 latet date. Peter 25 the in spired autior of two Epistles in the Now Tesiament, ind John, under the guidance of the Holy Spirti, wrote the
fuurih Guspel, three Epalles and Kevelation, the book wath
III. Results of Curist's Ministry. -The Syaagogue was the place where the Jewish people met rejularly for
wurship. The word of God was read publicly; praise ana pray:r werc offered, and the Scriptures expounded. Jesus went throughout Galiee prearhing. in the sjonagogues and elsewhere, the Gospel, the glad tidings of the kinedom. His was a most benevolent ministry. The sick and afflicted lound in $\operatorname{llim} 2 \mathrm{kcen}$ sympathizer and a ready helper. All IIs miracies were works of meecy. They were striking at the same time rivid illustratious of the tuith that God in loved the world that IIe sent His only begotten Son, that whosocret belicveth in Him might not perish, but have eceriasting life. lis leaching and miracle.working astracted general attention. llis fame extended to the regiona, beyond. People brought their suffering relatives so
be hrald. No form of discase, however matiganat, was beyond itis power to remove. Those iormented by lemoninc possession !ound deliverance. He is still able 1.. sive segions to the east of it large multiludes were autractel
by Jeuna, but it has by Jeusend ind has io le remembered that Chisist is not goly


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