





Our Young Folks.

Persevering Agnes

BY GEORGE KRINOLE.

"I am going to learn, too." "You? O heart! Agnes going to learn, too?" and Ursula's laugh was merry and long.

Sabbath School Teacher.

LESSON XXX

JULY 25. THE TEMPLE DEDICATED. (1 Kings viii 1-11)

COMMIT TO MEMORY vs. 5, 6, 10, 11. PARALLEL PASSAGES.—2 Chron. v. 5; 2 Sam. vi. 13; 2 Sam. vii. 6.

is light, and dwells in light, but there is a light which is perfect darkness to the created spirit. The tabernacle had moved from place to place; now it was to be settled, among a settled people, in a secure city (v. 13).

aim in view, and exhaust all his powers of persuasion and contrivance to bring it about. He should not for a moment entertain the idea that mere attendance is sufficient.

The Bible in the Class. Probably there has been enough said and written to the present generation of teachers against the use of a question book or lesson papers in the class; not that such use of them has been abolished, but the right of the matter has been clearly shown.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Letters and articles intended for the next issue should be in the hands of the Editor not later than Tuesday morning. All communications must be accompanied by the writer's name...

British American Presbyterian, FRIDAY, JULY 14, 1876.

The Emperor of Germany has given three thousand marks toward erecting the Eisleben monument to Luther.

We have hardly become accustomed to the use of such phrases "the Synod of China," "the Presbytery of Japan," "the Presbytery of Egypt." But every day is adding to these Church Courts on foreign fields.

As we go to press the air is filled with the music of many hands attending upon the various Orange Lodges, as these are engaged in celebrating the Twelfth. The day is everything that could be desired for the annual procession of the Orangemen.

WHAT are Baptists? Are they Presbyterians, Congregationalists, or Methodists? They are we think about the only Evangelical Church whose name does not indicate some special ecclesiastical polity.

An interesting work has been for years in operation in the East River, New York. A formidable rock, well named Hell-gate, has long blocked the waters to navigation.

The Rev. Dr. Brock has left for Church purposes a legacy of £6,000. The question comes up how he managed to accumulate so much money, while during his ministerial life enjoying but a limited salary.

THE CANADIAN INDEPENDENT

In an editorial note on the Macdonnell case remarks as follows:—"The proceedings of the Presbytery, and the Synod of Toronto, and the General Assembly of the Canadian Presbyterian Church, in the now celebrated Macdonnell case, afford a curious illustration of the ease and rapidity with which the British American Presbyterian assumed us, a little while ago, their Church Courts settle such cases as that of Mr. Beecher."

The moral obliquity of the Independent amazes us, when its editor confounds two such cases as those of Mr. Macdonnell and Mr. Beecher. The former, though technically on trial, was not really so. Because it was not a case of immorality the Presbytery all along avoided a technical trial.

1. That the Presbytery of Toronto lost not a moment in enquiring into the matter affecting Mr. Macdonnell. The sermon was only a few weeks delivered, when the Presbytery held a pro re nata meeting, and there and then they did investigate the public rumor that was raised by it.

2. That the Presbytery of Toronto showed they had full power to act in the matter of Mr. Macdonnell. They gave him time to consider the doctrine involved by his sermon in the hope that he would be able soon to report himself in harmony with the Standards.

3. That the General Assembly have actually issued the case of Mr. Macdonnell. They did not advise the Presbytery to libel, or deal farther with their brother, in the hope that by another year he may be in harmony with the Standards.

4. We call the attention of the Independent to the fact that the case of Mr. Macdonnell was thus issued in seven months, while it will soon be as many years since we first began to hear of the scandalous stories which were filling the air of Brooklyn, and spreading over the world.

The Rev. Robert Chambers has resigned the charge of East Williams (Beechwood and Nairn) and accepted a call to St. Andrew's Church, Whitby. The people of his late charge held their annual picnic at Beechwood on the 5th inst., when the opportunity was taken by his Nairn friends of presenting to Mr. Chambers a beautiful gold watch, (value \$120), as a parting token of their affection.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF Y.M.C. ASSOCIATIONS.

Surely Toronto is the most favoured of cities. For the last two or three months we have had nothing but Conferences, Assemblies, Conventions, and we do not know what all. Many of the religious denominations have had in turn their annual gatherings. Then came our mammoth General Assembly, with her exciting discussions and great religious interests.

In the name of our fellow-citizens, we bid welcome to the delegates of this Convention. We rejoice to find with us so many well known representative men from near and far distant States. It gives us pleasure to see gentlemen from England, Scotland, and Ireland, carrying to this Convention greetings from the Associations which they represent.

The importance of this Convention cannot be too highly appreciated. Like all meetings of the kind, this one now held in Toronto, is not a judicial body. It does not come together to enforce laws, to amend constitutions, or to act in any sense in a legislative capacity.

Attention is called by these annual conventions to the wonderful growth and increase of such Associations. In point of fact, they are only in their infancy, and yet they have attained an extraordinary maturity. But a few years ago, and the various Associations now represented in this city, were holding their meetings and carrying on their work in obscure and confined rooms.

It is difficult at first to see what is the speciality of these societies as distinguished from the work of the churches. That the Congregation and the Christian Association, whether of men or women, come very near one another, is evident by the too frequent overlapping of the one upon the other. It is seen that wherever the two attempt to do the very same work, they invariably exercise an influence that is detrimental to the life and usefulness of both.

It is evident that every country in the world can only flourish by the preaching of the Gospel. The fundamental idea of a Y.M.C. Association is to provide a home for the young men who are continually pouring into our centres of commerce. These have meanwhile no homes of their own, and for the most part the boarding houses, however excellent they may be in themselves, fail to provide what we understand by home for their inmates.

It must be gratifying to the friends of the Sabbath to find that failure so repeatedly attends the efforts of those who are determined to throw open the exhibition at Philadelphia on the Lord's Day. Again it has been carried by a large majority of the Commissioners to keep the Exhibition closed on the Sabbath. The season is now advancing, and soon we may expect it will not be worth while to raise this question again. The friends of the Sabbath, however, cannot afford to relax their efforts for a single moment.

It affords us pleasure to observe that those whose hearts are set upon the opening of the exhibition or of the exhibition grounds on Sabbath, have no countenance from the working-classes whose interests they profess to represent. The day was when these would-be-reformers found in working men and their families an easy prey. They flattered their vanity by speaking of the rights of the working classes. They boasted of a mission to accomplish the deliverance of the sons and daughters of toil from their tyrannical oppressors.

HOME MISSION FUND.

EFFORT TO WIPE OUT THE INDEBTEDNESS OF LAST YEAR.

The following circular has been addressed to the Clerks of Presbyteries in Ontario and Quebec, and to the Conveners of Presbytery's Home Mission Committees:—

"To Rev. \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_. My DEAR SIR,—At the recent meeting of the General Assembly, it was agreed that the debt resting on the Home Mission Fund, amounting to nearly \$10,000, should be apportioned to the several Presbyteries of the Church, according to their respective membership.

Upon the success of the present effort to wipe out the existing indebtedness must depend to a great extent the entertaining of new applications that may come before the meeting of the Committee in October next.

The following are the several amounts allotted to Presbyteries:—Quebec, \$206.10; Montreal, \$847.05; Glengarry, \$198; Brockville, \$426.75; Ottawa, \$647.10; Kingston, \$825.05; Peterboro, \$576.90; Whitby, \$266.55; Lindsay, \$170; Toronto, \$1,057.80; Barrie, \$361.35; Owen Sound, \$218.90; Saugeen, \$357.75; Guelph, \$885; Hamilton, \$776.40; Paris, \$571.95; London, \$566.55; Chatham, \$254.25; Stratford, \$123.45; Bruce, \$316.50, and Huron, \$655.20.

The statistical accounts of the growth of Presbyterianism in the United States show that the Presbyterian Church in 1776 had one hundred and forty-three ministers. The returns for this centennial year indicate that during a single century Presbyterianism has increased sixty fold. Including the Presbyterian Church, (north and south) the Cumberland, the United Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, the Presbyterian ministry reaches the wonderful number of nearly eight thousand. Of course, the other denominations have grown in like manner, some with a larger and others with a smaller ratio.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

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We are certain of this that the Sabbath is being more honored than ever in every Christian land. If these reformers fail in the United States, they will fail everywhere else. It is strong proof of the value which is set upon the Sabbath by our neighbours. There is no nation more jealous of its rights and liberties than the United States, and the regard that is actually paid to the Lord's Day, is proof of what an estimable boon it is in the eyes of a free country, in the sense in which the United States is free.

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ROBERT HALL said:—"When the devil sees a young man in earnest he gets on his back, and rides him to death that he may the sooner get rid of him." And statistics show that the greater morality among ministers is during the first three years after settlement. For the sake of both health and work, make haste slowly at the outset.







The Chinese in the West.

For some time we have been familiar with accounts of trouble on the western coast of this continent, arising from the vast numbers of Chinese constantly flocking thither, and especially to California. It is probable, however, that very few of our readers are aware of the nature or the extent of the inconvenience; both of which very far surpass anything that we should have been led to expect.

These facts will give some idea of the kind and magnitude of the evil that has excited so much attention; and as British Columbia is also suffering from the same infliction, the subject is one that directly concerns ourselves.

The Turkish Question.

Some events of a more decided character have taken place in reference to this subject, which has claimed so large a share of the attention of the civilized world. As our readers will have learned more than a week ago, war has actually begun between Serbia and Turkey, and we refer to the fact at the present time for the purpose of expressing our deep sympathy with the oppressed Christians at the hands of fanatical Mohammedans.

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mounting guns, and all the officers and men on furlough have been recalled. We are glad to hear of these signs of vigor—the surest way to prevent the actual breaking out of war. But yet we would ask, is it right that the Christians of Turkey, oppressed and demoralized as they must have become, should bear the whole brunt of Mohammedan malice against the Christian religion, and of Turkish oppression and misrule?

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTH. At Almonte, on the 3rd July, 1876, Mrs. McKENZIE, widow of the late Rev. W. McKenzie of a son. At Original, County of Prescott, on the 6th inst., the wife of JOHN FRASER, of a daughter, both doing well.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.

Table with columns for location (TORONTO, LONDON, OTTAWA, MONTREAL) and various commodities (Wheat, Barley, Oats, etc.) with prices.

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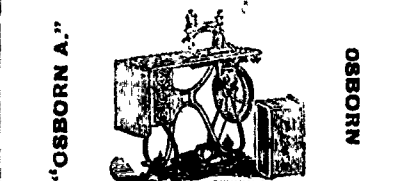
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