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AIT, BEATE FRHE.

Rev. C. H. Marsh, Rector.
Rev.G.E. Lloyd, M.A.,Curate and Missionary to Cameron, etc.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Thos. Walters, } \\ \text { Robt. Bryans, }\end{array}\right\}$ Churcheardens.
Lav Delegates.
Hon. J. Dobson,
Wm. Grace.
C. D. Barr.

Sudesmen.
A. Tims,
J. H. Soothrran, G. Н. M. Baker, L. Knight,
H. I. Nosworthy, J. E. Billingsley
J. A. Paddon, R. Playfair, M. H. Sisson, E. C. Armstrong, J. M. Knowlson, Thos. J. Murtagh

Vestry Clerk,
(i. S. Patrick.

> Sexton,
A. Hoadley.

Sunday Services.-Morning Prayer, 11 a.m. Sunday Schocl 3 p.m.; Evening Service, 7 p.m.

Week Night Service.-Wednesday Evening at $7.3^{\circ} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Holy Commurion.-First Sunday in month, after Morning Service.
Baptism.-Second Sunday in month, at 4 p.m.
Youns Men's Association meets first Tuesday in each month at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
C. E. T. S., last Monday in month in School Room, at $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ $W \cdot A$. meets the third Thursday in each month at 4 p m .
Gleaner's Union meets the first Wednesday in each month.
Mra. Abraham Kennedy, who was buried at Rivertide cemetery on lan. 1st, by Rev. E. A. Langfeldt, was one of the old settlers of Opo, and mother of Mr. James Kennedy, churchwarden at Reaboro.

## PARISH REGISTER

## Atarriages.

Pogez-Lang -At St. Paul's ehurch, Lindsay, on 30th Jan., 1900, by Rev. C. H. Marah, Arthur William Pogue, to Lydia lang, both of the towathip of Opa.

## Surials.

Coprland.-At Eden churghyard, on 15th Jan., 1900, John D. Copelazd, in his 72nd year.

## CHURCH NOTES.

Oa Feb. 15th and 16 :h the next meeting of the elergy of this Rural Dannory is arranged to be held in Lindsay.

We regret the removal of Mr. Hamilton, manager of the Telephone Co. here, from our mide:, but congratulate him on his promotion to Owen Sound

Good news was heard from Mr. Stanley Soanes from Fort Simpson, where he is doing pstient aad faithful work under the devoted bishop of MeKenzie River, the Right Rev. Dr. Reeve.

Sunday, Feb. Ilth, has been set apari by the bishops in Eastern Canadu an a day of speciel prajer on acoount of the war in South Africa. Let heartielt suppications go out to the King of Kings that soon the sad destruction and horrore of the conflict may be ended.

The Kev. W. C. Allen, M.A. and the Raral Dean visited Bobcaygeon on Jan. 25:n, at the request of the Misaion Board, and laid before the church people there the deairability of that parish becoming as soot as possible self supporting. We are rejoiced to say that both the elergyman and people who were present at the meeting entered heartily into the 'desire, and we expect scon to be able to record something very definite being done.

The annual meeting of the Lindsay Branch of the Bible Society was heli Jan. 24th, Judge Dean occupying the chair. Mr. J. H. Knight read the reports of both traasurer and secretary, which were encoutaging. The officers for 1900 were electe 3 , and the Rev. Herbert Symonde gave a very instruce tive and thoughtful address on "The Message of the Bible to the 20th Century." We wish many more had been present to iisten to it.

Tha rector of Cavan some little time ago, set on foot e subseription for the payment of the $d \in b t$ on St. Thomas' church, Milibrook, on a ten yeara' scheme; that is, amount subseribed to $b$ paid in equal annual instalments during ten years. The amonnt of debt is $\$ 2450$. In ten hours, portions of 3 tiays, the debt was covered by subscriptions, so cheerful and ready was the response of the people to the rector's apfeal.

Auniversary services were held it Christ's Church, Bailiieboro, in the parish of Cavan, on Sunday, Jan. 7th, and the following Sunday. An entertainment wasalgo given in the same village on Tuesiay, Jan. $9: h$, the sermoens were preached by Veo. Architucon Allen and Rev. if C. Alien on the 7th, and by Rev. Joha C. Daviison, rector of Peter bore, on Sunday, the 14 h ; oflertory was 885 , ptoceeds o: entertainment $\$ 32$; the cotsil amount, $\$ 117$, was devotes to liquidation of church debt.

Some able speakers and devoted workers are to take part in the C.U M.A. missionary conference at Wyeliffe Collcge, Toronto, (Feb 6-8) as Rev. J. A. Hickmun, trom China, Rev. John de Soyres, St. John, N. B., Revs. W. H. Wade, Hamilion; G. B. Sage, Londov; Dvson Hague, Canon Sberiton, Toronto, and others; and such laymen as Mr. N. W. Hoyles, Hod. N. K. Blake, Dr. Crawiord, (London), Mr. H. W. Frost and others. May fiodi use the meeting to the extension of His Kingdom.

The following taken from the Mail of Mondsy, Jen. $22 n d$, is interesting to many of us. We were surprised at the large number of church communicants in the first Cansdian contingent, and now we rejoice to find many in the second "An historic ehurch parade took place to day to St. Paul's. The part of the contingent remaining in Halifax marohed to church, headed by the military bands. DrCourtney the bishop, was present, and service was conducted by Rev. J. W. Armitage and Rev. Leo Willams. Mr. Armitage presched a patriotic sermon, reminding the soldiers that St. Paul's chnrch, more than 150 years built, Was the first Protestant "hurch in Canada, and that although many had worshipped there before ltaving Canada to fight for the empire, none ever left to suffer defeat. The officers atd men partook of communion, and the scene was most imprespive.

The Ven. Archdeacon Allen, M A., and Mrs. Allen, of Milibroois, $\mathbf{k}$-pt the 50th anniversary of their marriage on Monday, Jan. 8th. About, neventy of their parishoners and friends called upon them at the rectory expressing their congratulations and good wishes. We join with many throughout the archdeaconry in thankfulness to fod for the good work done in this part of the vineyard by Archdeacon Allon, and prayer that God ray long apare him and and his good wife to be ensamplee to the flook, and fruitful in good work.

A Sudday bchool Christmas Tree was given to the scholars of Christ Cuurch, Onemee, ua Jan. 1lth. There was a large attendance, a very pleasant program and short a.icreases by the Rector, Rural Dean and Prebbyterian minister. The yo:ng people were delighted when Sants Claus arrived and detribused the many nice gitte.

The welcome of St. George's congregition, Cameron, at the homs of Mr. J. Pertin, to the Rev. G. E. and Mrs. Lioyd was a hearty and joyous affair. Mr. Perrin occupied the chair, and with Messrs. Cook and Oakley, on behalf of the congregation, welcomed them to Cameron. The choir, Misa Maunier, Miss Beail and Miss Campbell, made up a pleasing program. Mr. Parizin, on behalf of the Methodiats, was glad to welcome Mr. Lloyd, while Mr. Vance and Mr. Marsh expressed their earnest desire that God's woriz would grow and prosper and giadly welcomed the new worker. Mr. I loy i seemed to much appreciate the sind reception, and we feel sure that God has r.ch blessing and earnest work for both pastor and people.

The sunual meeting of the Church of Eugrand Temperance Society was hela on Jan. 29 th , in the schoolroom. Fairiy satisfactory reports were given of the year'e work; \$5 was voted to the church for use of light and heat at the meetings of the society. An interesting program was given a. A the following officers were elected : 1s: Vise-Pres., Mr. J. H. Knight, I. P.S.; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mr. L. Archambalt; 3rd Vice-Pres., Mr M. H Sisson; Secretary, Mir. W. Vance; Treas., Misa S. E. Twamley; Organist, Masa Wingrove; Executive, Mrs. Goldie, Mrs. Soaner, Mrs. Milne, Masees Browne, B. Waiters, Rev. Gen. F. Lloyd, Messers R. Humphreys, Stoddard, E. E W. MeGaffey, Sergt. Major Martin. Mr. Lloyri gave an address on "Why I am an Abstainer," and we trust the coming year the work will be pushed with vigor. Why should there be drunkards in our midet?

On the evening of Jan. 11th a kindly and cordial welcome was excended to the Rev. G. E. and Mrs. Lloyd by the congregation of S . John's church, Cambray, at the home of Mr. E. P. Smith, V S., who with Mre. Smith, made all present resize the heartiness of their hospitality. After siuging a hymn, and prayer for God's guidance on the work and workers, Mr. H. Fowler, in a few well chosen and appropriste words, welcomed Mr. Lloyd to the parish, assured him of the love of the congre ation for the services of our ehurch, and bid him Godespeed in his work. Miss Fanning, Miss Beali, and Mrs. Wilkinson furnished the musical part of the program, the latter singing "Soldiers of the Queen", while Mies Wallace gave an iuteresting recitation. Mr. Vance, the Rural Dean, and the Ven. Archdeacon Allen ali made short speeches, the latter especially welcoming Mr. Lloyd to this archdeacoury and giving words of wise counsel to al preatit. Mr. Lloyd replied in a nappy way asying that a clergyman was not diesppoiuted with a sncall congregation if ali were presert who ought to be, and promising, with their enooperation, to do his best to extend God's work in this part. Light refreahments, and a pleasant social time, with a closing hymn and benediction, conoluded an evening that we feel aure will long be remembered and productive of good.

# Parish and Home 

## CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY.

4-gth Sunday after Eplphany. MorningProverbs i.; Matt. x x. 27-xx. Evening Prov. iii. ur vi i; Acts $x x i$. to 17.
11-Septuagesima. Morning-Gen. i. and ii. to 4 ; Rev. xxi. to 9. Evienimg-Gen. ii. 4, or Jub xxxviii ; Rev. xxi. 9-xxit. vi
18-Sexagesima. Morning-ven. iii. ; Matt. xxvi. 57. Evening-Gen. vi. or viii. : Rom. ii xvii .
24-St. Matthias, A. and M. Morning-1 Sam. ii. 27 to 36 ; Mark 1. 21. Evening Isaiah xxii. 15 ; Kom viii to 18 .
25-Quinquagesima. Morning-Gien. ix to 20 ; Mark i1 t, 23. Evening-(ien. xii. or xili. ; Kom. viii. 18
28-Ash Wednesday. Morning-I sai. Iviii to 13; Mark ii. 13 to 23. Eventug -Jonah iii. ; Heb. xit. 3 to 18.

## "COME UNTO ME."

by т. P, M. in The Churchman.
Oh, ye oppressed who have no comforter, Wheret.re are ye so $b$ ind?
Hath not the Master bidden such as ye To "seek, and ye shall find ?"

Is there no balm in Gilead for your souls ? No peace for which ye grieve?
Behold, One speaketh unto such as ye, "Ask, and thou shalt receive."

Why will ye warder in the wind and rain, Upon the mountain's crest ;
Wnile, in the valiey, One is calling you, "Come unto Me and rest ?"

Why are ye troubled? ls this world so wide
Ye cannot find the way?
The Everlasting Hills shall be your guide Unto the perfect day.

The Master calleth you, arise and go, All ye who are oppressed;
In pastures green stay ye your weary feet, And by "still waters" rest.

During the month of January thoughts of Epiphany, or the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, were much in our minds, and the great need of carrying the news of the living Christ to all the nations was strongly impressed upon us by the "Epiphany appeal" and in other ways.
We trust that all our readers have been doing something to carry forward the great work of proclaiming the everlasting gospel to those who are still sitting in darkness and the shadow of death ; and out of our treasures have been bringing forth things new and old, and presenting
for the work of our King gold, frankincense and myrrh, yea, rich and precious things.
While the season of Epiphanytide is now past, the need of continual prayer, thought and effort for the ertension of the kingdom never ends, and never will end, until our Lord returns and the "kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ."

Surely as we draw on towards the season of Lent and the thought of self-denial is impressed upon us, there is nothing that we should more delight in denying ourselves for, than that others might have at least the opportuntty of knowing about the love of our Saviour and King, and finding redemption from the bondageof sin and admission into the kingdom of God's dear Son. Brethren, behold your colling, to be witnesses for Christ, in all lands and to all people!

In some of the dioceses, and for some branches of the work of our Church, those in authority are appealing for a fund to mark the close of the XIXth century with thanksgiving and praise, and to usher in the XXth century with debts removed, and funds in hand for a decided forward movement.

We have many of us read of the large sums that are being raised by our Presbyterian and Methodist friends, and we congratulate them on their self-denying efforts, and rejoice in any movement for the forwarding and upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom ; well remembering with shame that as yet only one third of the people of the earth are even Christian in name.

Whether our efforts take the form of a determined advance, say of a larger and more liberal scale of giving, working, and praying during the coming years; or whether in addition to that we make a large, special offertory to mark the close of the century; we trust that all true followers of Christ and lovers of our Church, are decided that
there shall be no standing still, no half-hearted indifference.

May we hear God saying to us as He did to Moses, even in the face of what seemed (and to man alone would have been) insurmountable difficulties: "Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go for-ward,"-and may we obediently and determinedly go forward.

The following, clipped from the Orillia Packet, will be of interest to many of our readers :
In the biography of Archbishop Benson there is published for the first time a letter from His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to the Archbishop, in which reference is made to certain charges made against the Prince as to encourag. ing gambling. His Royal Highness says: "I have a horror of gambling, and always do my utmost to discourage others who have an inclination for it, as I consider that gambling, like intemperance, is one of the greatest curses which the country could be afflicted with."

## BEGINNINGS.

Creation. In the beginning-God! Not matter, law nor force, but life, given, sustained, beautified, employed and crowned.

Wisdom. "The fear of the Lord is the begirning of wisdom." What is wisdom? It is the knowledge of God applied to the needs and capacities of the soul.

Miracles. The miracles of Jesus began at a marriage feast, a beautiful beginning; when you invite your guests don't forget to invite Jesus to put on the crown of His approval.

Sorrows. "All these are the beginning of sorrows," said the Master as He warned the people of the coming doom. Matt. 24 : 8

We have sorrow because we have sin. Jesus has come to tell us how to get rid of the curse, the burden, the guilt of sin.

Confidence. "We are made partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end." Heb. 3:14. We begio the Christian life with tender trembling confidence, then we grow, for where there is life there is growth. Let that growth be steady.

> " If we would overeome at last,

Prize your confidence, for it hath great recompense of reward.
"While Christ is rich, can I be poor ? What can I want beside ?"

> H. T. Miller.

Beamsville, Ont.

## LABOUR AND REST.

It is no part of true Christianity to discourage industry, and to encourage idleness. On the contrary, among the many reforms effected by the introduction into the world of the Christian religion, one of the most noted is the upholding and investing with dignity of all honest labour and manly toil.

Among those people who proudly called themselves Romans prior to and at the time of the Christian era, all manual labour had sunk to such a level in the eyes of the people that it was entrusted to and carried on only by slaves, even the work of education. All schoolmasters were chosen from this class. Their armies, instead of being composed of the noblest and best of Romans, such as had in former days fought for their country and home, were now composed of mercenaries who were hired for the purpose, and cared nothing for the result beyond their own payment and other advantages.
So disastrous was the result of all this that one of the chief causes for the downfall of Rome was this same failure to honour and engage in honest work.

Christianity, on the other hand, from its very inception, has encouraged faithful labour. Christ himself, both by example and teaching, made industry a cardinal point. He did not belong to the class of the rich and mighty in this world, but was one of the working class-a carpenter. St. Paul proudly de-
clares, "I have counted no man's silver, gold, nor apparel: yea, ye yourselves know that these hands have ministered to my necessities, and to them that were with me." He exhorts the Corinthians (I Cor. iv. : 12) to "Labour, working with their hands."

There can be no doubt that these expressions, and many more like them in God's Word, in their primary application, have reference to physical labour, and such being the case they show the distinct relationship-for there is a distinct relationship-of Christ, the Bible, and the Chursh, to the great questions of capital and labour at present agitating the public mind. We may clearly infer that the Church of God has a work to do in lessening the yawning gulf at present existing between the employer and the employed.
We are living in an age of vast commercial activity. Everything about us tells of the amount of toil and industry in our land.

Now, if we look for a moment at the result of all this, this vast amount of work, we shall find that it is this, the absolute necessity for rest, rest. From every side of us, from the crash and rattle of this city street, the deafening confusion of the factory, from the trains rushing through our country, often Sunday as well as week day, there is going up one universal cry, it is the cry for rest.
Where can this be obtained ?
It certainly cannot be obtained by spending a few weeks at the seaside, or at some fashionable summer resort, for such is not an abid. ing or enduring rest. It is one that will fail when work is begun again. There is a more excellent way, a more continuous and lasting way, a way of "casting all your care upon Him who careth for you"; and who will in the place of such care give you absolute rest and peace; peace that all the world cannot give.

Where else can such rest be obtained ? "God hath spoken in His holiness, surely He giveth His beloved sleep," such sleep as is rest both for weary body and weary soul.

For, indeed, there is a need for rest greater than that of the body.

There are those who are labouring for rest of conscience and of soul. Labouring like the apostles on the stormy sea of Galiee, in their own strength, while Jesus was asleep in the boat. Oh ! let us appeal to the Saviour, for He alone can save and thereby"give us rest! Others there are who are "ignorant of God's righteousness and going about to establish their own righteousness."
Brethren, let us cease from all such labours and striving after selfrighteousness. It is all in vain ; and the words of that grand old hymn are perfectly true:
" Could my tears for ever fiow, Could my zeal no respite know, All for sin could not atone, Thou must save and Thou alone."
St. Augustine has well said: "Lord, Thou madest us for Thyself, and we can find no rest until we find rest in Thee."
In Newport Church, in the Isle of Wight, lies buried the Princess Elizabeth, daughter of Charles the First. A marble monument erected by our Queen Victoria records in a touching way the manner of her death. She languished in Carisbrook Castle during the wars of the Commonwealth, a prisoner, alone and separated from all the companions of her youth, till death set her free. She was found that day with her head leaning upon her Bible and the book was open at the words: "Come unto me all ge that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

The monument in Newport Church records this fact. It consists of a figure reclining her head on a marble book with these words of comfort and rest engraven on its page. What a sermon is preached by that monument, what a lesson it affords of the utter inability of rank or high birth to confer happiness ! It teaches the mighty truth that there is no true rest for any one except in Christ.
R.M.-Ontario.

Nothing is more degrading than a man who has lost his ideals, unless it be a nation which has lost its ideals.

THE CHACO MISSION OF PARAGUAY.
We give in this issue a picture of the Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, of the South American Missionary Society, who is labouring ainong the Indians of the Chaco Mission of Paraguay. The report of the Canadian Church Missionary Association, just issued, contains this encouraging word about his work: "Since the Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, who is supported by the Huron Auxiliary of the C.C.M.A., arrived in this field last autumn, he has endeared himself

I consider complete, and if his objects are attained we shall soon hold all this vast interior for our One Lord.' After listening to such words as these, can we wonder that Bishop Sterling, reporting his impressions of the Chaco Mission, says: 'I have never come across a more hopeful band of missionaries in all my experience. Almost an air of triumph prevails. The barriers of language have been largely broken down ; the reticence of the Indians has been overcome; the secrets of the prevailing witchcrafts


REV. T. B. R WESTGATE.
to the other workers by his deep earnestness and straightforward manliness. The fact that there are nearly five millions of Indians in the vast interior yet uaevangelized, presses heavily upon his heart. He writes: 'The work here is goirg forward in a marvellous manner. Every man is pouring out his energy for these pagan Indians, and for the sake of Christ. We are all stirred to the depths over the way God is working in our midst. We want to go on; we must go on; we shall go on and claim the West and North. Mr. Grubb's plans
have been laid bare, and ears have been opened to the "new words," the message of God, from the lips of the missionaries; and not only do the people listen to the "words," they have quickly grasped much of their meahing, and, furthermore, have declared themselves under the duty of proclaiming them to others, and they do so.'"

## BESET.

It is refreshing to an old chief officer in his watch below to recall the time when he was on deck and
had to bear the weight of responsi
bility which belongs to his station.
We know something of cold in Canada, but to be frozen in, in the Arctic regions, is something more, and when the chief writes down in his log, "Beset," it means something much more. We had caught two whales, and were thinking of squaring away for home, when adverse gales and a high sea drove us into a bay, and the word "beset" meant a winter in the frozen North.

How we fared it is impossible to tell, and volumes on the Arctic regions may give the readers some idea of the double darkness of that dreary winter time. It would be difficult to write down all that is suggested by the word " beset," but I will try. When it was calm our good ship was completely quiet, but when it blew a strong wind you would think that spirits from the vasty deep had come up to make a noise. Oh, the nup, the cripple ard the crush ; oh, the gripe, the grind and the groan, the fret, the fume and the fury, the rage and the rebound! Every timber a voice, every bolt a tongue. As the winter went on the grip of the ice became alarming, and more than once the crew were employed sawing ice to make a dock, to give the ship some relief from the terrible pressure. " Nothing like an Arctic winter for a good hug," said one of the sailors; "a fierce embrace never to be forgotten."

We had enough provisions and plenty of whale-oil for the lamps. The lamp of life gave us cheer, and when the word "beset" was read there was a correspondence, an appeal and a response, which found an echo in the hearts of some of the crew, as the fierce winds found an echo through the rigging and spars. "Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me." Such knowledge is too wonderful for me. I cannot attain to all it means.

POINTS.
Was the ice close to the ship ? God is close to me, consciously, joyously, lastingly.

Did the ice surround the entire ship ? God surrounds me, fore, aft, weather side, lee side, overhead, underneath.

Was the ise faithful to the claims of climate? God is faithful to Himself, and to me as a part of Himself. He will never break His covenant.

Did the ice give forth sounds, strange, weird, startling? Solet my heart break forth in glad noises, tumultuous, multitudinous, pre-eminently, and sometimes with the ecstasy of silence, with a voiceless song too deep for exclamation.

Sailor Sam, O itario.

## SATURDAY NIGHT AND SUNDAY MORN.

By Fredrrick langbridge, M.A., in "Home Words."
The little ones-scrubbed from top to toeEach fresh as a pin, Are just tucked in, And dinting the bolster three a-row.
The baby (where did he get that cough ?)
Stares solemnly round, and won't go nfi;
Grandmother still, with her tidyiog face
Hovers ahout from place to place;
While Johnny and May, by father's rule,
Look over their text for to-morrow's school.
Oh, rare-when you wake with a start and shock,

And half uprise
The sleep in your eyes,
And leel for the matches to see the clockThe thought, "Why, it's Sunday ! not to day!-
I can wait for the light this once in a way. No whislle this morning, harsh and short; With a threat of fines in is rasp ing snort!" And so in the pillows to burrow deep
For two more exquisite hours of sleep :
And rare to gather the gloves and books, And summon a mite
To left and right,
With a glance of pride at your wile's good looks;
To sit in the pew-no more a "hand," But a soul that can listen and understand; To feel that the smoke rolls off the blue, And a Father's Face looks smiling through.
While a voice on the heart falls kind and blest,
"Come! and behold I will give you rest!"

## KINDLING WOOD FOR LIVING FIRES.

By Willian Lupr, Author of "Wave Whispers,' etc., in British Messenger.
A Sallor's Heart and Hands -A sailor carrying an umbrella! Wonderful! Next day I saw a sailor with a glove in his hand. More wonderful! But the wonder dies away when I explain that a young lady was beside the sailor upon both occasions. Love leads
us to do condescendang things, to go beyond duty. Duty bade that man-0'war's man haul a rope and carry a gun, but love came down to lesser deeds. Love measured not the deed, but the person for whom the deed was done. "As unto Christ," makes small services great.
"Wherefore shew $y=$ to them, and before the Churches, the proof of your love, and of our boasting on your behalf" ( 2 Cor. viii. 24). "Not with eye service, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart: with good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men: knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doetr, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free " (Eph. vi. 6.8). "Lovest thou Me?" "Feed My lambs": and Peter never thoug't the service beneath his dignity.

A Fortified Church.-Staying with a friend in a quiet village, 1 was taken to see a fortified church, with a moat inclosing it, as of it had been a castle. Ferns and plants grew in the hollows. It was the abode of peace and good-will, although once upon a time it was the scene of war. To day the true Church is attacked, but, thank God, it is fortified, and the fortifications are as good as ever.
"On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose ?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou mayst smile at all thy foes."
"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them" (P3. xxxiv. 7). "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever" (Ps. cxxv. 2). Blessed fortifications ! angels, mountains, and walls of fire! yea, the Lord Himself! certainly, "the gates of hell shall not prevail" (Matt. xvi. 18). "For Thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt Thou compass nim as with a shield " (Ps. v. 12).

The Perfct Law. - In Cambridge, I was shown what ought to have been ten balls upon a bridge; but there were only nine and threequarters, a section of one having been cut out by night so that a
student might win a bet that there were not ten. The Scriptures are perfect and "cannot be broken" (John x. 35). Let us not give any "quarter" to the foe that would take even an atom. We must have "the whole truth." "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you" (Deut. iv. 2). The ten commands must be kept entire, if we are to merit salvation; nine and three quariers will lose the day. God is a God of whole things. "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all" (Jas. ii. 10). Only a whole obedience will be accepted. Give up the already broken law. "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in His sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteous. ness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference" (Rom. iii. 2022 ).

## FAVORITE OF THE REGIMENT.

A colonel in a Southern camp overheard an excited soldier venting his rage in furious profanity. The man, red-faced and big of muscle, had been a local bully and law-breaker, and when the war broke out he was given his choice to enlist in the army or to serve a term in jail.

The colonel was about giving an order to suit his case, when the big fellow's arm was touched by a comrade, and a low voice said:
"Please don't talk like that."
Wheeling around with another half uttered oath he saw a rescheeked boy looking into his face.
" I beg your pardon, 'Little Piety,'" he said, "I didn't know you were here," and he walked away apparently more ashamcd than if an officer had silenced him.

The life of this lad-"Little Piety"-in the army was told a generation ago, among the other pathetic stories of the war of '6r.

The fair, delicate youth, bantered and pestered at first by his fel-low-privates, became the favourite of his regiment by his brave goodness and his amiable way. In his character, religion was something more than an adjective, and the nickname the men gave him in jest remained as his badge of respect and affection.

At a reunion of this regiment, not long since, the colonel, in his address to his few surviving comrades, recalled many vanished names of the old muster roll, and said at last: "I wonder if you are thinking of the one member who was nearest to all hearts."
"We know whom you mean," the men answered. "We shall never forget ' Little Piety.'"

The colonel repeated the tale, old but always velcome, of their first great field engagement, where the slender young soldier, detailed on rear duty, begged to be sent to the front " with the boys," and obtained a reluctant consent ; of the terrible battle and the after scene of human waste and death, "the sadness of which no life is long enough to outgrow."
"On the slope of a steep ridge skirting one side of the field lay a row of dead and dying men, mowed down in the rush of a heroic charge ; and near the head of the line with his white, girlish face turned up to the sky we found ' Little Piety.'
"The boys would not bury him in the battle trench, but made and marked his grave under a live oak by i.self, and sang over the tune he loved:
'Must Jesus bear the cross alone?'
"Several years later I was far from home, staying at a city hotel, and one day I had a caller-a large, well-dressed and handsome business man, who asked me if I remembered him. I did not.
" 'You remember "Little Piety"?'
" 'Yes.'
" 'And the big ruffian who joined your regiment to keep out of gaol, and whom the boy rebuked for swearing ?'
"' Yes.'
"' Well, here is what is left of that same ruffian. I went in the army a desperado, and came out a man-and "Little Piety's" gentle
influence opened the way for me to do it.' "-Selected.

## THE TRAGEDIAN BOOTH AND THE LORD'S PRAYER.

A friend tells us an ancedote of Booth, the great Iragedian, which we do not recollect having seen in print. Booth and several friends had been invited to dine with an old gentieman in Baltimore, of distinguished kindness, urbanity and piety. The host, though disapproving of theatres and theatre-going, had heard so much of Booth's re. markable powers, that curiosity to see the man had, in this instance, overcome all his scruples and prejudices. After the entertainment was over, lamps lighted, and the company reseated in the drawing. room, someone requested Booth, as a particular favour, and one which all present would doubtless appreciate, to read aloud the Lord's Prayer. Booth expressed his willing. ness to do this, and all eyes were turned expectantly upon him.

Booth rose slowly and reverently from his chair. It was wonderful to watch the play of emotions that convulsed his countenance. He became deathly pale, and his eyes, turned trembling upward, were wet with tears. As yet he had not spoken. The silence could be felt. It became absolutely painful, till at last the spell was broken as if by an electric shock, as his rich toned voice, from white lips, syllabled forth: "Our Father, which art in heaven," etc., with a pathos and solemnity that thrilled all hearers.

He finished. 'the silence continued. Not a voice was heard or a muscle moved in his rapt audience, till, from a remote corner of the room, a subdued sob was heard, and the old gentleman, their host, stepped forward with streaming eyes and tottering frame, and seized Booth by the hand.
"Sir," said he, in broken accents, "you have afforded me a pleasure for which my whole future life will feel grateful. I am an old man; and every day, from my boyhood to the present time, I thought I had repeated the Lord's Prayer, but I have never heard it before-never !"
"You are right," replied Booth;
be read cost me the severest study and labour for thirty years; and I am far from being yet satisfied with my rendering of that wonderful production. Hardly one person in ten thousand comprehends how much beauty, tenderness and grandeur can be condensed in a space so small, and in words so simple. That prayer of itself sufficiently illustrates the truth of the Bible, and stamps upon it the seal of divinity."

So great was the effect produced (says our informant, who was present) that conversation was sustained but a short time longer in subdued monosyilables, and almost entirely ceased ; and soon after, at an early hour, the company broke up, and retired to their several homes with serious faces and full hearts.-The Southern Churchman.

## TESTINGS.

I once visited a tube factory, and the iron sheets were brought to a white heat and rolled and welded, and cut and hammered and tested until the great tubes of iron rang like a silver bell, and were strong and fit to conduct the pure water, without any taste of the vessel through which it flowed. So He may burn and hammer and test you, and when He gets through, you, too, may ring like a bell, and the everlasting Gospel that shall flow through you will be sweet and living water to the thirsty soul. O ! beloved, you are tired to day of this self-love! You are crying out now in your soul, "How can I be rid of it?" Go down! down! The strata of believing atmosphere lies) at the very bottom. You cannot "grow" the self-life out, nor can you get rid of it by bearing crosses. I would have you remember that it was not when Jesus bore the cross that He died, but when the cross boie Him He yielded up His life. You must be crucified-must die. There is a life you must really lose. $O$ give it up now, and yield yourself for this crucifixion, and you may now receive Holy Ghost baptism. Many would be glad to die to self if they could die in an orderly way and look nice afterwards. I once saw a preacher asking the Lord, in very precise terms, with head erect and on only one knee, that he might "die to self"; but nothing hap-
pened, and 1 told him afterwards that real dying out was never so pretty as that.-Sel.

## THE BLIGHT OF THE LITTLE

 CLAY IMAGE.By Bishof H. W. Warren, D.D., LL.D.
The religious condition of a continent that has been for centuries without a Bible or Sundayschool is a matter of profound interest. It is especially so when a single system has dominated the thought and spiritual instincts for three long centuries. It has not only controlled the long past, but by force of habit and the heredity of emotions and superstitions it moulds the future. What is the religious state of South Africa?

It is extremely superstitious. There are little clay and doll images of the Virgin here and there, to which people resort for the satis faction of all religious desires and the alleviation of all fears. It is said that Aftica begins at the Pyrenees, on the north slope of which the miracle-working image of the Virgin is-at Lourdes. So one of these images in South America has gielded to the bishop having control of it as much as forty thousand dollars a year. The orgies and iniquities practised when thousands of people rush to a little village where as image abides, are of the grossest character. People come to it to pray for every object, good and bad, temporal and spiritual.

When superstition is so rank, many are found to profit by it. A shoemaker sets up a little image, sticks burrs in her dress, and says that she goes out nights to protect the crops. That was the origin of the famous image of Andacolo. A merchant was a seller of olive cil. On his voyage from Italy he said that he prayed to a small, portable image, and was not drowned. His particular Virgin claims to help by the sacred oil of her lamp. The merchant has become a great importer of oil, and the ladies of Montevideo come out in fine robes and carriages to pray at the shrine of Our Lady of Aguada. Far and wide in Chile are sold little pack. ages of mutton tallow labelled "The holy grease of Our Lady of Sotayne."

In the cemetery at Santiago is a life-sized bronze image of the Crucified on a cross, with this inscription, "The most excellent the Reverend Senor Archbishop concedes eighty days of indulgences, applicable to the dead, for each time the creed is recited before this image." If men believe such exemption from the pains of purgatory was so easily purchasable, the whole large space would be constantly resonant with hundreds of voices reciting the creed. During several visits I never saw a single person doing it.

From such things these results follow. The more educated classes repudiate the whole system of religion. I attended the funeral of a very prominent government official. Hundreds were present, but there was no sign of religious rite or speech either at the house or grave. The most influential paper in Chile, La Lei, printed some very severe, circumstantial, and definite criticisms on certain doings of Church officials. The same Archbishop mentioned above ex-communicated the paper. Indeed, he was so liberal with his thunders that he specifically included the editors, r:porters, printers, owners of stock, and even the readers, under the ban. Once it would have brought the whole city to a halt, but now a great crowd gathered, made addresses attesting the right of fiee speech and the liberty of the press, and publicly burned the Archbishop's bull right before his palace, which had meanwhile been filled with police. That was certainly better than the previous burning of fiftynine individuals on twenty-three different occasions by the Inquisition on the public square in Lima. The subscriptions and readers of La Lei were inmediately doubled.

In the Argentine Republic there is a very active organization working for the entire separation of Church and State. In Chile and Argentina the laws begin to be more liberal in design and execution. The Freemasons are very numerous in South America, and everywhere show an intense hatred of the existent pretensions of the Church. And the Church intensely reciprocates the feeling.

It is very significant that about
twenty bishops and Archbishops have just been called to Rome to discuss the state of things in their continent. Could they have met in South America, away from the splendor, prestige and over-awing authority of Rome, much good might have resulted. At least, they would have had nothing to do but to open their eyes to existent facts.

Tothis state of things the loving hearts in the rest of the world have not been indifferent. The various Churches have planted their day and Sunday-schools along the west coast from Panama to Patagonia, somewhat generally in Argentina, and sporadically in Paraguay and the coast of Brazil. But vast tracks of the interior are untouched. And in religions most cultivated there seems but a very little handful of corn scattered over hugh mountains. The hunger of long abstinence and the ardent nature of the Latin race have given cordial reception to the Word. The Gospel has developed heroes and martyrs here as well as elsewhere. Hymns have been translated, and are sung vociferous. ly. The Bible is mellifluous in speech, and its words ar still spirit and alive. Slowly and somewhat mistily dawns the day, but the Sun of Righteous ness surely arises with healing in his wings. -Sunday-school Times.

## AVOIDING TEMPTATIONS.

(2 Tim. ii. 22.)
"To pray against temptations, and yet to rush into occasions, is to thrust your fingers into the fire and then pray that you may not be hurt. The fable saith, 'That the butterfly inquired of the owl, how she should do with the candle, which had singed her wings. The owl counselled her not so much as to behold its smoke.' If you hold the stirrups no wonder if Satan gets into the saddle.
"A person who carries gunpowder about him, can never stand too far from the fire. If we accompany sin one mile it will compel us to go twain.
"If Achan handle the golden wedge, his next work will be to steal it."-W. Secker.

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## MY SECOND SELF.

B/ Mary Esther Allbaight, in Young People's Weckly.
She is dreaming now in the sunshine, there,
My daughter, aged nine ;
With form, and feature, and eyes, and bair,-
They tell me,-so like mine !
As I watch her, thinking of now and then,
I know that in her I live again.
She plays the games that I used to play, She reads the books I read;
And she asks the questions that puzzled me;
(I have others, now, instead,
And she's buildang such castles-in-air, I know,
As I used to build, twenty years ago.
I know not, sure, little maiden fair, Whether to smile, or weep,
As I think of the life-time we have to share,
And the roadway, long and steep, Which stretches away, in a distant line Between your end of the way, and mine.
But ob, if only my love could save You some of the rougher way !
If now you might learn lessons that I Am only learning to-day !
Or if I might go back to the starting, too,
And travel the long way over with you!
But-nothing but time will give to her The lessons the years can teach; And never again shall I meet the days That are passing out of my reach; And only in her shall I ever see The child and the maiden I used to be :

## TURNED AROUND.

Bv Annie Pagston, in "Light in the House."
It was a bright au tmnal morning in the mountains, and as Mrs. Fenwick was potting geraniums in the well-kept front yard of her large, low farmhouse, her friend, Mrs. Kelsey, from the centre, driving past to the station, drew
up at the gate to talk over some detail of church work they were planning to take up to interest their people after the summer visitors left.

Presently a well dressed woman, flushed and heated, with a cape over her arm, and carrying a heavy grip, came hurrying up and paused to ask :
"Can you direct me the right way to Brewster's Grant? Every. body tells me wrong, and I have run hither and thither ever since the passenger train came in."
"You must have gone a long distance out of your way. You passed here an hour ago," said Mrs. Fenwick kindly. "Will you come in and rest ?"
" Oh, thank you, no ; I must hurry. They told me at the station to go straight west."

And this is east. You must go straight over that hill yonder, through a strip of wood past a red house, and then pretty soon you will come to the lumbermen's road that turns off for the Grant. There's an old wood coloured house just there."
"Oh, yes, I shall know it if ever I gets there. That is the boarding-house, and I am the cook. I've been off for a week to see my sister, but I tcok the cars at the railroad the other way, where they leads the timber. I said l'd be back to-day; but it don't look like it, does it?
"Oh yes-It's not far." And Mrs. Fenwick repeated her instructions encouragingly. Mrs. Kelsey adding kindly :
"She has made thy way straight before thy face."
"That's Bible!" came the quick reply. "I used to hear it when I was younger; but, you see, I'm all out of the way."
"So are the paths of all who forget God," quoted Mrs. Kelsey again.
"Yes, I s'pose so. Thank ye both. Good-bye."

An hour later, as Mrs. Kelsey was driving towards the east, but by quite another road, she came upon the same puzzled worman, telling her perplexity in nearly the same words to a man pulling turnips in a field near the high. way.
"I'll tell ye," said the iarmer. " You're all completely turned around, as they say, and you don't go where you are told ter go, becas' it don't seem ter be right to ye. All the folks you've asked hev turned ye right, but you wouldn't keep on."
"Surely after that I was turned I repented, and after that I was instructed," put in Mrs. Kelsey, whose horse had stopped as a matter of course.
"That sounds like Bible!" retorted the woman. "It's queer enough, but once before to day, away off I don't know where, a lady in a carriage talked Bible to me but it didn't do me no good. Talk's cheap, any way "-and she picked up her bag and started off.
" Wait a moment," called Mrs. Kelsey, backing her carriage around through a tangle of goldenrod and feathery clematis. "Get in, please. Here's room for your grip. You would better put on your cape. I'll drive you to the Grant myself."
"That's acting Bible!" said the delighted woman. "It's doing to others. Only a few does that, anyway."

They were driving swiftly along by that time, and Mrs. Kelsey said :
" I hope you are among the few ?"
" No, I aia't. I don't even try to be good."
"What do you do that is bad ?"
"I talk pretty rough sometimes, and I think swear words. I did this morning when I kept getting out of my way."
"That is bad, to be sure."
"Awful! And I drink cider and lager when I can get it, and I have drank whiskey."
"That is putting your influence on the wrong side, and a woman should never no that."
"I don't take no stock in influence ; it don't amount to shucks, in my opinion."
"Do you ever go to meeting or to Sunday school ?"
"How can I, and get the men's dinner at the same time?"
"Influence the men to go with you!"
"You don't know much about
lumber men, I guess. Ob, here we are-and it seems all right. Oh, dear me, see how turned around I was!"
"You are turned around in your life too!" Now, if you would repent and be instructed."
"What can I do to begin?"
"Practise what Bible you remember."
"Do as you do, tuck it into my every day talk."
"Halloo, Jerushy! Glad to see ye!" called out a man trimming out a fallen tree by the roadside. "Now we are liable to have something fit to eat again !" And he made his words emphatic by an oath.
"Take not the name of the Lord thy God in vain, Jacob," said the woman seriously.
"Thunder, Jerushy!
You hain't been an' got religion now, have ye?"
"Religion is the chief concern
of mortals here below " and they drove on leaving the chopper gazing after them in blank astonishment.
"You will not make light of religion to amuse the men," said Mrs. Kelsey, with a tremble in her voice.
" No, ma'am, I won't make fun of my mother, nor of you, nor of your religion, nor hers-it's jest the same thing, I know; and I sha'n't forgit this lift." So with a few more kindly words they parted.

A few weeks later Mrs. Kelsey's pastor came in, saying:
P" They are having a revival over at Brewster s Grant, and it all grew out of the cook at the boarding-house quoting Scripture. They want me te come over and hold a meeting ; I wonder if some of our people would not like to go ?"
"I have nc doubt of it, and Mrs. Fenwick and I will drive over this afternenn and see our friend the cook."

This they did delighting the poor woman with their sympathy and interest.
"I thought you'd come; I wanted to tell you so bad," she said. "At first I thought it pretty smart to talk out of the Bible, as you did, and I found .
remembered lots of passages I had learned when I was young, and as I said them over I thought of mother; and first I knew I was different and so happy that I couldn't help singing hymns and talking to the men when they swore, and they knew I meant every word I said, and first I knew some of them come to me begging me to have a meetingme, just to think of it !"-and the tears were coursing down the woman's cheeks.
"And you did ?"
"I read the Bible, and we sang, and said the Lord's Prayer together, and the minister is coming to-night. I wish you would stay."

That was the beginning of a revival that not only swept through the lumber regions, but aroused the churches in the villages as well as turning many to ways of righteousness, and relieving the two ladies of the responsibility of interesting their people after the summer visitors left.

## UNBELIEF THE RESULT OF SIN.

" The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God." It is not the expression of an intelligent con viction, reached after patient and careful investigation, when a man says, "There is no God"; but rather the expression of a wish. He is a fool morally, and not intellectually, sioce he has sense enough to see that if there is a holy, just, and almighty God, it will not be well for him. The hearts of the children of men are "fully set in them to do evil," but this religion requires them to cease to do evil and learn to do well. The objector does not wish to give up all his illgotten wealth, to forsake his wicked companions, nor to renounce his sinful amusements. He dislikes to undertake the new duties required He draws back from the life of self denial and sacrifice which might be his. Above all, there is a deep repugnance to the repentance, confession, anc umiliation demanded. Totone who knows how hard it is to induce the confession of a wrong, or to reconcile enemies to one another, there is no cause of astonishment in such a taste of mind. Un-
questionably there are many honest doubters and seekers after truth, but the moral condition of men is the chief reason why they have difficulty with Christianity. "He who is willing to do His will shall know of the doctriae."

## "THOSE WHO STAND AND WAIT."

Milton, as ali will remember, in his beautiful sonnet on his own blindness, represents himself as sorely distressed because he cannot do God's service by reason of his blindness. He consoles himself by a thought which should often press itself upon the Christian's heart, that "they also serve who only stand and wait." Dissatisfaction with one's existing lot may be overcome by realizing that God must have some work for one in this lot, though perchance that work may be only to wait and suffer. Willingness to remain and endure for Christ indicates as great love for Him as an inordinate desire to depart at once and be with Him. Principal Caird has eloquently taught this truth in the words: "It is a great thing to love Christ so dearly as to be 'ready to be bound and to die' for Him ; but it is often a thing not less great to be ready to take up our daily cross, and to live for Him."

## POLISH UP THE DARK SIDE.

"Look on the bright side," said a young man to a friend, who was discontented and melancholy. "But there is no bright side," was his doleful reply. "Very well-then polish up the dark one," said the young man, promptly. Are you ever despondent? Then adopt this advice, and remember that the best way to "polish up the dark side" is to work-work hard, and work with ceaseless devotion and energy. I once had the honour of working for a time with a famous and eloquent dignitary of the Church. He lost his wife very sud. denly, and I knew that this was the most crushing blow he could possibly suffer. I quite expected, therefore, that he would go away and rest, perhaps for several months to come. But in a week he was busier than ever. His zeal in-
creased tenfold, his energy appeared to be boundless, no burden of work seemed too heavy. It was evidently a daily struggle to concen trate his attention on what we had in hand-but he did it, and by degrees the awful load of grief seemed to grow lighter. Honest work well done is the sure path to a cheerful spirit. Try it.-Churchman.

## UNWILLINGNESS TO DO LITTLE THINGS.

I remember hearing of a person who was always trying to do some great thing for the Lord, and because be could not do a great thing he never did anything. There are a great many who would be willing to do great things if they could come up and have their names heralded through the press. I heard of a man's dream in which he imagined that when he died he was taken by the angels to a beautiful temple. After admiring it for a time he discovered that one stone was missing-all finished, but just one little stone that was left out. He said to the angel, "Why is this stone left out?" The angel replied, "That was left out for you, but you wanted to do great things, and so there was no room left for you." He was startled and awoke, and reso!ved that he would become a worker for God; and that man always worked faithfully after that. -Moody.

## WHAT STRANGE BEINGS WE ARE.

We speak of the mercy of God, So boundless, so rich, and so free !
But what will it profit my soul,
Unless 'tis relied on by me?
We speak of Salvation and Love, By the Father, in Jesus, made known But if I would live unto God, By faith I must make it my own.

We speak of the Saviour's dear Name, By which God can poor sinn ers receive; Yet still I am lost and undone, Unless in that name $I$ believe.

We speak of the blood of the Lamb, Which frees from pollution and sin'; By its virtues by me must be proved, Or $I$ shall be ever unclean.

We speak of the Glory to come, Ot the heavens so bright and so fair ; But unless $I$ in Jesus believe, $I$ shall not, $I$ cannot be there ! -Selected.

## SEVEN DAYS' WORK.

"Working on Sunday," says a writer in the Christian Guide, " is very distasteful to the men who are obliged to do so. My nearest neighbour has been twelve years with a railroad company in this city. He has been obliged to work twelve hours a day, seven days in a week, or lose his job. He is a poor man, and cannot afford to be out of work. Those dependent upon him must have bread. He tells me that after a man has worked seven days in a week for five years he begins to decline in health and strength, and in a few years completely breaks down, and, of course, is then rejected by the company, just as a wornout machine is cast away. These men are treated just as machines are treated. They are worked to the limit of their strength and endurance. No considerations of humanity enter into the question. My other friend is a motorman on a street car. He works from twelve to fourteen hours a day, seven days in a week, and fiftytwo weeks in a year! Though a very stout man, he is nearly broken down from continued labour. He must work like a galley slave or lose his job, and let his family starve. The greed for money is such that sympathy for human weariness and suffering is forgotten. Both of these men are religious, and belong to church, but neither have any time to cultivate religion or attend church. I wonder that they are as good as they are"

But both of these men probably knew when they hired out that they would do Sunday work, and the time to sav "No!" was at the beginning of the ten or twelve years of toil.

There is a good amount of work in the world besides that which is furnished by railway and trolley cars. Hence a man who for the sake of "an easier job," or "better pay," puts his neck under the yoke of some great corporation, must not be surprised if their burdens are grievous and hard to be borne. But God made man before corporations existed, and a man is not obliged to choose between working seven days in a week or starving to death in a land of broad acres and abund.
ant opportunities. But if a man will not endure hardness; if he must live in town or in city; if he must weat soft raiment and rear his children in luxury ; if he will not eat the dinner of herbs, but must have instead the " stalled ox," then he may find that living in Egypt he must put on the Egyptian yoke, work seven days in a week, give his extra earnings to the doctor, and die years before his time-all that he may be in the midst of the world's rush and hurly-burly, instead of staying on the soil where God put man, and eating his bread in the sweat of his face till he return to the ground from which he was taken.-The Common People.

CHRISTIAN LOVE, THE BOND OF PEACE.

Bishop Whipple, in a late Convention address, gives his voice against partisanship in the Church, and in simple and loving words counsels the clergy and laity of Minnesota to a fuller practice of Christian love as the cure for intolerance in every form. We give the substance of his thoughts, as follows:
"In many a Convention address, I have told you that I will never be the head of a Divinity School which represents any party. The Church is entering on the battle for the last time. Every form of unbelief will be banded together against Christ and His kingdom. The keenest intellects the world has ever seen will marshal their oppositions of science, falsely so called, to gainsay and deny the revelation of God. The leaders for Christ in this battle must be large-hearted scholars, men who have proved all things and who do hold fast to that which is good, men who are free men in Christ because His truth hath made them free.
" Most of the divisions which have marred the Church and brought sorrow to her Lord have come from party strife and the lack of charity and love. Even when no open division has come, hearts have heen bruised and lives have been marred by the sad record of narrowness and prejudice. I can remember when a Pusey was refused license to preach in Oxford, when a Maurice
was deposed from King's College, when Hampden was denounced as a heretic, and Temple branded as an unbeliever. I have lived to see Pusey revered by all who love devoted lives hid with Christ in God, and to see Maurice beloved by all generous hearts who believe in the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God. I have lived to hear the greatest scholar in England do justice to Hampden, and I have lived to see all men rejoice that the Church could call the great-hearted Temple to be the Shepherd of the millions of London. I can remember when our dear Church was torn with strife over the ordination of the holy Arthur Carey. I remember when the sainted Muhlenburg was deemed an impracticable enthusiast because of his teaching about free Churches and the reunion of all who love Jesus Christ.
" I am aware that many of the most stalwart representatives of party do believe implicitly that their definitions are the expression of the Catholic faith or of Evangelical truth, but I find that in the past it has been fierce loyalty to the opinions of party which has rent the Church of Christ and often deluged the earth with the blood of martyrs. Latimer, Ridley, and a host of others died as martyrs of Christ because they could not accept definitions of the sacrament of the Supper of the Lord which they believed to be idolatrous. The cruel persecutions of our own New England were all for opinion's sake.
"There have always been two classes of Christian men; the one magnifying the blessed orders and sacraments of the Church because they are the gift of Christ and His channels of grace; and the other magnifying the personal faith of the sinner in Jesus Christ and the renewal of the Holy Ghost, and seeing in sacraments witnesses of the love of the Saviour. Both hold opposite sides of divine truth, and ought to live together as members of one body.
"Strife is a great price to pay for the best results, but strife between kinsmen in the Lord's family is a grievous sin. If any man have a passionate devotion to Jesus Christ, if he has a soul hunger for perishing souls, if he holds the great
truths of Redemption as written in the creeds, if he preach Jesus Christ crucified as the only hope of salvation, count him your fellowsoldier. The deepest lines on my cheek and the heaviest sorrow in my heart have come from the lack of love.
"In my life as a bishop of the Church, I have never known of trouble between pastor and people, or alienation between brothers which the love of Christ would not heal.
"God has never given to any diocese a nobler field; no diocese in America has shared so largely in the bounty of His children. No diosese has a more blessed record of mission work in its red and white fields, and in no diocese in America is the Church more respected and loved by those without her fold. It is due under God to Christian love, which I have tried to make the bond of all our work.
"When I came to this diocese there were three warring tribes of heathen red men; there were sad divisions within and without the diocese among Christian men. Every bishop selects his own seal ; I selected a cross with a broken tomahawk, with the motto 'Pax per sanguinem crucis.' I have tried to live by the motto which I made the motto of the seal of the diocese. I have passed my three score and ten and am living on borrowed time, the gift of our loving Heavenly Father. These may be my last words; they shall be 'Love one another.'
"I believe in my heart that if this love shall make all men take knowledge of us that we had been with Jesus, and compel them to say, 'See how these Churchmen love another,' we may, in God's hands, be His instruments to heal these divisions which have rent the seemless robe of Christ. And when I plead for love. I plead for love for all who love Jesus Christ. Shall we not claim as our own kinsman, Carey, the English cobbler, who went as the first missionary to India, and translated for them the Bible; Morrison, the first missionary to China; David Living. stone, the Scotch peace weaver, who died for Christ in Africa; the Moravians, who offered to be sold
as slaves if the King of Denmark would only let them go and tell the poor black slaves in the West Indies of the love of Jesus Christ. We may and will, in love, witnets for the blessed truths we have received from the Primitive Church, but we can never forget that there will not be one in that white-robed throng who shall sing the praises of the Redeemer who is not our kinsman in Jesus Christ."

## "WAFTED PERFUME."

A missionary gives the following as one trophy of divine grace in China :
"A woman was brought to a hospital for treatment, having an incurable disease. She was ignorant of her physical danger ; she was ignorant, also, of the great salvation. Her gentle nurse hastened to tell her the 'old, old story of Jesus and His love.' It was new and wonderful to this heathen mind, but she at once believed the good news and accepted the freely-offered salvation. Then she was eager to go to her friends with this glad message of the Saviour's love. She said to her attendant:
" 'Will you ask the doctors how soon I shall be well?'
"The doctors say that we must tell you the truth-you will never be well.'
"' Please ask them how long I shall live?
"The reply was, ' Three months, with the care and comforts with which you are now surrounded.'
"' And how long shall I live if I go to my old home with this blessed message from heaven ?'
"' Possibly not more than three weeks '
"When the answer came, this new convert exclaimed, 'Get my clothes; I will start to-day.'
"Expostulation was useless, for she argued: ' Do you think I count the loss of a few weeks of my life anything when I have such news to tell my people who have never heard of the Saviour ?'
"Is the love of Christ of so much value to us that we 'count not our lives dear unto ourselves,' if we may but tell the story to those who never heard it?" The Parish Visitor.

## Bops' and Eirfs' Cornct.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS.
February sth-St. John i. 35 to 47,
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## BABY GIRLS IN CHINA.

Only a little baby girl,
Dead by the riverside,
Only a little Chinese child Drowned in the floating tide. Over the boat too far she leaned Watching the dancing wave, Over the brink she fell and sank, But there was none to save.

If she had only been a boy
They would have heard her cry ;
But she was just a baby girl, And she was left to die.
It was her fate, perhaps, they said,
Why should they interfere ;
Had she not always been a curse?
Why should they keep her here?
So they have left her little form Floating upon the wave;
She was too young to have a soul, Why should she have a grave?
Yes; and there's many another lamb, Perishing every day :
Thrown by the road and the riverside, Flung to the beasts of prey.
Is there a mother's heart to-night Clasping her darling child,
Willing to leave these helpless lambs Out on the desert wild?
Is there a little Christian girl
Happy in love and home,
Living in selfish ease, while they Out on the mountain roam !

Think as you lie in your little cot Smoothed by a mother's hand Think of the little baby girls Over in China's land.
Ask if there is not something more Even a child can do, And il, perhaps, in China's land Jesus has need of you.

Only a little baby girl Dead by the river's side, Only a little Chinese child, Drowned in the floating tide.
But it has brought a vision vast, Dark as a nation's woe,
Oh, it has left one willing heart Answering. "I willgo!"
-From the Children's Record.

## WOLFGANG MOZART'S PRAYER.

Many years ago, in the town of Salzburg, Austria, two little children lived in a cot surrounded by vines, near a pleasant river. They both loved music, and when only six years of age Frederica could play
well on a harpsichord. But, from her little brother such strains of melody would resound through the humble cottage as were never before heard from so young a child. Their father was a teacher of music, and his own children were his best pupils

There came times so hard that these children had scarcely enough to eat, but they loved each other, and were happy in the simple enjoyments that fell to their lot.

One pleasant day they said: "Let us take a walk in the woods. How sweetly the birds sing, and the sound of the river as it flows is like music."

So they went. As they were sitting in the shadow of a tree the boy said, thoug ${ }^{2}$ iully :
"Sister, what a beautiful place this would be to pray ?"

Frederica asked wonderingly: "What shall we pray for ?"
"Why, for papa and mamma," said her brother. "You see how sad they look. Poor mamma hardly ever smiles now, and I know it must be because she has not always bread enough for us. Let us pray to God to help us."
"Yes," said Erederica, " we will."
So these two sweet children knelt down and prayed, asking the Heavenly Father to bless their parents and make them a help to them.
"But how can we help papa and mamma ?" said Frederica.
"Why, don't you know ?" replied Wolgang. "My soul is full of music, and by and by I shall play before great people, and they will give me plenty of money, and I will give it to our dear parents, and we'll live in a fine house and be happy."

At this a loud laugh astonished the boy, who did not know that any one was near them. Turning, he saw a gentleman who had just come from the woods. He made inquiries, which the little girl answered, telling him :
"Wolfgang means to be a great musician; he thinks that he can earn money, so that we shall no longer be poor."
"He may do that when he has learned to play well enough," replied the stranger. Frederica answered :
"He is only six years old, but plays beautifully, and can compose pieces."
"That can not be," replied the gentleman.
"Come to see us," said the boy, " and I will play for you."
"I will go this evening," answered the stranger.

The children went home and told their story to their parents, who seemed much pleased and astonished.

Soon a loud knock was heard at the door, and on opening it the little family were surprised to see men bringing in baskets of richly cooked food in variety and abundance. They had an ample feast that evening.

Thus God answered the children's prayer. Soon after, while Wolfgang was playing a sonata which he had composed, the stranger entered and stood astonished at the wondrous melody. The father recognized in his guest Francis I., the Emperor of Austria.

Not long afterward the family were invited by the Emperor to Vienna, where Wolfgang astonished the royal family by his wonderful powers.

At the age of fifteen years Wolfgang Mozart was acknowledged by all eminent composers as a master.

Mozart was a Christian as well as a musician. The simple trust in God which he learned in childhood never forsook him.-Ex. change.

## A TRUE INCIDENT.

A carload of young people were en route to a Christian Endeavour convention. The possible monotony of a six hours' ride was broken when, soon after starting, someone began singing :

## " Alas, and did my Saviour bleed, And did my Sovereign die?"

It was but a moment before the car walls resounded with the sweet strains of the melodious hymn, nearly every occupant joining. Then "Blessed Assurance," "Wonderful Words of Life," "I'm the Child of a King," and many another soul-stirring hymn was wafted out through the open windows and carried on the autumn breeze, as the train sped along.

Perhaps none of the earnest young Christians on that train knew that in the car with them was one with whom the Sprit was wrestling; but when a certain young man returned home and approached the pastor of one of the churches, and told him that he had accepted Jesus, 'and was ready to identify himself with the people of God, and that his stony heart had been melted by the gospel in song during that six hours' journey, it brought many to realize, more than ever before, the power of gospel hymns.

What a sermon on the converting power of sacred song! Would that it might teach us to sing the sacred words as though they were prayers, to sing them with our whole heart ! -Golden Rule.

## EARLY CONVERSION.

Many of the brightest lights in the history of Christianity have been converted in early life. Adam Clarke, the commentator was converted at four years of age. His influence will shine in the moral heavens while the sun shines in the natural heavens.

Alfred Cookman, the great revivalist was converted at ten years of ago. He will shine in the kingdom of God as the stars in the firmament of heaven forever and ever, and thousands will rise in the judgment and call him blessed.

Isaac Watts, the great poet, was c onverted at the age of tine years. Robert Hall was converted at twelve, Jonathan Edwards at seven, and William Penn at nine -Ex.

> "I DID IT."

During the wars of Napoleon I. there was a time when the French were about to sweep down upon the mountain region of the Austrian Tyrol. The brave mountaineers made ready for them. In each village a careful watch was set. The night-time was the hour for attack. The first one to become aware of the approach of the enemy was to light a beacon fire as a signal to all the other villages. There was in one of the villages a poor cripple boy, Hans. He longed to take a gun and join the troops, but could
not. He was seized with a longing desize to do something for his beloved Tyrol. Going to his mother's little cottage he tried to sleep, but could not. To cooi his fevered brow he walked out upon the mountain. He heard the approach of footsteps, and seeing the form of a soldier saw at once that he was an enemy. He knew where the tinder was to fire the beacon, seized it, flang the spark into the kindling, and in an instant the flame flared up. It was answered from a neighboring hill-top, and from peak to peak flashed the signals; the people rallied, the French were beaten back. After the victory everybody asked who fired the beacon. Hans lay upon the mountain path shot through the shoulder. He was carried to the cottage, and, as his life ebbed away, he said, with a bright smile, "I did it." It is wonderful what little hands can do, when there is a strong will back of them. Selected.

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Interesting letters have just been received from St. Peter's mission, Hey River, McKenzie River diocese. Alt were in fairly good health Last winter Mr. and Mrs. Marsh trot a 160 mile journey together, the former walking and the latter being driven with the dog team. One night they slept in an Indian house in which were four families, and another in the woods under the open heaven with the thermometer $41^{\circ}$ below zero, yet they enjoyed their trip, visited friends, encouraged Indians, and called on some miners. They now have 20 boarders in their Indian school and about a dozen day scholars whom they are seeking to lead in the way of life. In the autumn they harvested $\mathbf{3 5 0}$ bushels of potatoes and some other vegetables, had an early catch of 1,200 fish, so are fairly well provided for the winter. One of the miners, a Mr. Johnston, has been led of God to give himself to lay missionary work, and him service are much appreciated. They have at last got into their new mission house, and speak with great appreciation and thankfulneas of the bales so kindly sent to tielp clothe and pro-
vide for the children and others. Miss Time has a night school for teaching English to those busy during the day, and she also imparts the word of truth at the same time. Sunday is a busy day with services both in English and Indian and a Sunday school. Great thankfulness is expressed to tod, for His continued blessing upon the work-and yet earnest prayer is asked that He may still continue His hoving kindness, and also that He may thrust forth more workers, fur since the departure in June of Miss Marsh and Miss Veitch they have been very shorthanded, especially as the $\mathbf{2 0}$ children have to be fed, clothed and laugh -brethren, pray and help.

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