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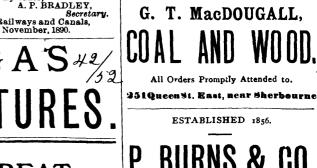
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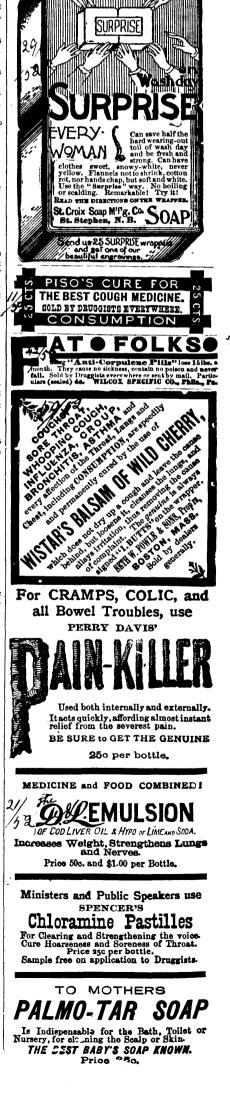
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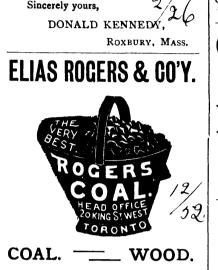


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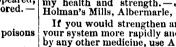
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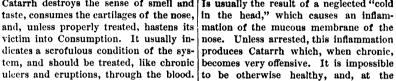
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THE first gymnasium or college for women in Rome is to be opened April 1, 1891. This is in accordance with the order of the Cultus Minister Boselli. The grade and character of the new institution is to be that of the technical schools and the object is to enable young women to prepare themsolves to enter the universities.

THE aggressive forces of infidelity, says a Scottish contemporary, were never weaker in the English-speaking world within the memory of living men than they are at the present hour. The case of New Zealand is typical of perhaps every portion of the British empire. In that colony there were twenty infidel societies eight years ago; now there is only one.

THE cry of "politics in the pulpit," when ministers in their pulpits apply the principles of the Gospel to political action, and seek to enlighten the people as to their duties is, says the New York Independent, the sheerest humbug imaginable. Those who resort to this cry simply confess their own poli-tical wickedness. The kind of politics that the pulpit is quite sure to preach is just the kind they do not like.

A COLPORTEUR of the American Bible Society, Penzotti, has been imprisoned in Peru, near the capital, for circulating Spanish Bibles. At the latest advices he had been lying in jail two months awaiting trial. It was his expectation when he last wrote that he would be sentenced shortly to four months or a year's imprisonment. The only crime of which he was guilty, so far as the American Bible Society has learned, was that of selling Bibles. It seems incredible that such a case should occur in any of the South American countries, and partic-ularly in a State like Peru. In Argentine and in Chili full liberty of worship is allowed, but not yet in Peru nor in Bolivia.

BISHOP COLENSO, says the Christian World, did feet. not think it possible for people in the valley to hear the curses and blessings read from Mount Ebal and Gerizim. Rev. T. Levi tells, in the first monthly part of the new volume of the Sunday at Home, how he assisted at a practical testing of the question. A party was travelling in Palestine, and it was agreed that two Welshmen should stand on Gerizim, and two Scotchmen on Ebal, while the rest stood in the valley. A Scotch minister read the curses in a clear strong voice, and a Welshman read the blessings from the opposite mountain. Both were easily heard below, where the party added the ler are spoken of as possible spheres of operation. "Amens." The readers stood on a natural platform on each hill a little below the top.

DR. HUSBAND, of Ajmere, at a meeting in Glasgow in connection with the Zenana missions of the United Presbyterian Church, said it was a mistake to suppose that all women immersed in the Zen-anas led useless and purposeless lives. They took a larger and more active share in the business of life than many people imagined. There was a young banker in Ajmere who owed his large fortune to his clever mother, who helped him in his banking business. The same speaker mentioned that a distinct class of Zenana agencies on a secular basis votes he gave in the last Assembly on the cases of is springing up all over India. Hospitals are also Drs. Bruce and Dods. He points out that Dr. Bonar being erected on the same principle, the avowed object of their founders being that their wives and daughters might not come in contact with Christians or Christianity.

THE Christian Leader says: Principal Rainy, accompanied by Principal Brown of Aberdeen, appeared on the platform of Mr. Gladstone's first Midlothian meeting held in the Corn Exchange in the Grassmarket, Edinburgh. They were welcomed by the audience with loud cheers; and the graphic reporters in the daily press make special note of the physical and mental vivacity displayed by the venerable Aberdeen divine, one writer declaring that it was not easy to realize that in the alert and viva-

cious doctor the audience were privileged to see an old assistant of Edward Irving in Regent Square. At the West Calder meeting the chair was occupied by Dr. Wardrop, the respected pastor of the United Presbyterian Church in that stirring village ; and, in moving a vote of thanks to the doctor, Mr. Gladstone testified to his respect and personal feeling of gratitude to the chairman.

ALL French Protestants, writes E. de Pressensé, are mourning a great loss in the recent death of Dr. Gustave Monod. He has well served his generation by his noble medical career, by his long-tried devotion to the cause of religion, and by his generous support of mission work at home and abroad. In his white old age he took the initiative in the erection of our beautiful mission House, and in one year successfully carried through this difficult enterprise. He proved his Christianity by his resignation under heavy trials, by his ever ready ministry to the poor and suffering, and by his brave and practical patriot-Such lives are a powerful testimony to what our poor human nature can become under the influence of the Gospel. The memory of Dr. Monod will be long and affectionately cherished by a grateful nation.

IT is rather humiliating, says the *Christian* Leader, to contrast the popular enthusiasm in certain cases with the pecuniary expression elicited when an appeal is made to the enthusiasts. We lately saw a melancholy example of this in the poor response to the movement in behalf of the widow and child of the late Prof. Elmslie. Now Mr. Stanley draws attention to the miserable sum that has been subscribed for placing a steamer on the Victoria Nyanza, a matter in regard to which there is some apprehension that the Germans will forestall us. Yet we might have expected, after the Stanley fever, that all that was necessary would be raised within twenty-four hours. This case may almost be bracketed with the fiasco of the Gordon Memorial, when the millions that went delirious over the fate of the hero of Khartoum failed to give as much as would set the proposed boys' training home fairly on its

THE Rev. John McNeill will continue to preach in Regent Square Church morning and evening as usual until the middle of November. No hall has yet been taken for his evening services, the most likely one being Exeter Hall, although Mr. McNeill would prefer a building in the north of London. Mr. McNeill hopes to discharge, early in the New Year, at least a portion of the duties assigned to him as one of the Synod evangelists. Birmingham, Walsall, Berwick, Alnwick and Wool-On a recent Sunday evening, when giving out the notices, he said he should be in the vestry on Monday evening to see any who wished conversation with him. He was sorry he had been unable to visit people, but they could come and visit him. He was not much at home-in fact, his wife had said she should come and see him one of these Monday evenings herself.

DR. W. G. BLAIKIE'S letter to the Rev. Andrew A. Bonar, D.D., on the recent manifesto of the orthodox party in the Free Church of Scotland, will be widely welcomed as an explanation of the and those who think with him take "a very serious and most unwarrantable position" in refusing to tolerate any view of inspiration save their own, and adds that no one has a right to assume that God will frame His revelation according to what he should wish for and desire. "This were rationalism pure and simple." On one of the points of complaint against Dr. Dods, Professor Blaikie says : "You may be very sure that the vast mass of our thoughtful people believe, in whatever terms it may be put, that there are very strange points in the morality of the Old Testament. Don't let us go into hysterics over this. . . . It is a delicate task to reconcile Old Testament morality in some points with the inspiration of Scripture,"

THE first social gathering of the Association of North London Choirs was held in Highbury Church recently and was in every way a success. Tea and coffee having been served the chair was taken by Mr. Wales, the president, supported by Principal Dykes, Dr. Edmond, Revs. J. T. McGaw, P. Car-michael, R. E. Welch, Douglass Reid, and several well-known elders. Rev. A. Ramsay, of Highgate, spoke of the "ministry of the choirs," in the ser-vice of song, and said the pulpit, choir and organ should all be placed together in the churches, and if the heat was generated there by the minister and choir, it would spread a warmth all over the build-ing, and the spiritual power would be deepened. Mr. Spencer Curwen spoke of the importance of pronunciation in singing. Dr. Edmond genially and appropriately wound up a most enjoyable evening, the proceedings being interspersed with capital singing.

T IE annual meeting for 1890 of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance will be held in Richmond Hall, Toronto, on Thursday and Friday, December 11 and 12, commencing at ten a.m. This year's meeting promises to be an interesting one, as three very important matters will doubtless be fully discussed. They will be: (1) The question of immediate and general organization to secure as largely as possible the benefits of the municipal prohibition acts placed upon our Provincial statutes last year; (2) the question of applying to the Ontario Legislature at its approaching session for still further measures of prohibitory legislation; (3) the question of definite and aggressive political action at the forthcoming general elections for the Dominion Parliament. Ministers of all denominations and temperance workers from all parts of the country are expected to attend the meeting. Reduced rates will probably be given on all the railroads entering Toronto.

In the recent fight against disreputable civic government by Tammany Hall in New York, the effort to secure its defeat met with failure. The anomaly of the principal city in the United States being controlled by the worst elements has been allowed to continue. The explanation is given by Dr. Howard Crosby in the following terms : The contest to-day is clearly drawn on the lines of virtue against vice. Formerly there have been three-cornered fights, but the issue this time is nothing else than between vice and virtue. The trouble I have found for virtue in this city is the apathy of good men. One man is influenced by fear of losing custom, another by personal apprehensions, still an-other by lack of interest. There are in New York about 30,000 men who do not vote, and they are those who, speaking generally, would vote on the right side if they took the trouble to exercise their right of suffrage. In one campaign I canvassed Fifth Avenue for a distance of a mile and a-half, and in that stretch I found only twenty-seven persons who voted.

In Geneva there are two theological schools," The National Faculty, which, since 1873, constitutes a part of the university, is entirely manned with rad cal and advanced thinkers. They command a large number of stipendia and fellowships, many of these endowments dating back to the Reformation. Th number of students in recent years has been as low as eleven, but last term it rose to thirty-one. The rationalistic faculties of Switzerland have the same experience that those of Germany have, namely, that in spite of scholarships and other financial aids students will not flock to schools of pronounced neological tendencies. The annals of Heidelberg and Jena, the chief seats of radical theological thought in the Fatherland, during recent years, are significant and instructive in this regard. While Leipzig, Erlangen and other schools of positive tendencies have hundreds of theological students, these two have little more than a baker's dozen. In Geneva an opposition institution, the Free Church Theological School, was established in 1832 by Gaussen, Merle d'Aubigné and others, and it is thoroughly conservative and orthodox in character. The attendance is fifty and more, and the course is rather practical than theoretical.

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Our Contributors.

ON HAVING TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING.

No doubt the majority of American people think that a high protective tariff is a good thing. If they thought otherwise the tariff would not be there. The other day, however, they made it fairly evident that they think there may be too much of a good thing in the way of protection. They want a pretty high wall around their country but Mr. McKinley made the wall rather too high. Perhaps our neighbours want a gap left in the wall through which you can push Canadian barley and eggs and several other Canadian products that are good for the American constitution. Possibly they want the wall left so low that a good Canadian horse can jump over it at a reasonable figure. In Europe they manufacture lovely goods for ladies' wear. Nothing like them can be made in this new world for many a day. The American ladies like to wear these fine goods but being prudent women they do not wish to ruin their husbands and fathers financially by paying the increased prices imposed by the McKinley Bill. The chances are that a good many of them told their husbands to vote against McKinley and a man nearly always does what his wife tells him if he is sure to make money by it. The result was that Mr. McKinley and a large number of his friends were sent out into the cold to meditate on the danger of over-doing things. Mr. McKinley now knows, if he never knew before, that it is possible to have too much of a good thing. We don't believe a high protective tariff is a good thing, but we are trying to look at the matter from Mr. McKinley's standpoint.

Our neighbours are a progressive people but they have a slow constitution. They can't make the will of the people operate on a Government as fast as we can. In England an adverse vote like that given last week would send a Government out in twenty-four hours. The members would hardly have time to take private letters from their intelligent constitutents out of the pigeon holes of their desks. In Canada a Government beaten at the polls by over a hundred majority would not be given more time than seemed necessary to make suitable provision for its friends. It is very touching to see a dying Government providing for its friends at the expense of the country. An American Government goes as slow as Mowat. The only point of difference is that an American Government doesn't go when the people tell it to go and Mr. Mowat doesn't go because the people didn't tell him.

Mr. McKinley deserves credit for one thing. He has given the world the best illustration furnished for many years of the danger of over-doing things. The illustration cost him and his friends a good deal but the fees in the school of experience have always been high. He has shown once more that it is a wise thing to let well-enough alone. Again we are reminded—thanks to Mr. McKinley—that it is quite easy to have too much of a good thing.

Liberty of speech is a good thing, but it is quite easy to have too much of it. If you don't think so go to some teameeting at which there are seven speakers, four of whom are asked to make a "few remarks" on nothing, forty minutes long, lest they be offended, and three of whom have prepared long speeches as unsuitable as holy water in an Orange lodge. Then come the votes of thanks. When you leave that meeting about eleven o'clock if you don't feel that it is quite easy to have too much of a good thing you must have an enormous capacity for being out late.

It must be a fearful thing to have to stand silently by and see your rights trampled upon, your character assailed, your property stolen, or your family abused. It must be dreadful to have to keep silent and see tyranny triumph—see the wrong triumph over the right and the strong trample down the weak. A good man would rather die fighting for liberty of speech than wear a muzzle. Liberty of speech is one of God's greatest blessings and yet the fact remains that more harm is done by evil speaking than in any other way in the world. The tongue does more harm than whiskey. What more need one say?

Freedom of the press is a good thing. Apart from positive advantages no one can tell how much good the press · does in a negative way. Who can estimate the number of rascals that are restrained by fear of exposure in the press? Who can tell the number of would be tyrants that are kept in their place by a wholesome dread of the newspapers. Everywhere-in Church as well as in State-there are small big men whose insolence would be insufferable were it not that the newspaper lash can be laid on them. There are always people in the State who would be Neros if they dare ; scaly fellows who would be Tweeds if they had the opportunity. There are a few men in every Church who denounce the Pope at Rome while they strain every nerve to be popes at home. There are schemers, wire-pullers, selfish unscrupulous manipulators in Zion as well as in Cæsar's arena and the press does more to keep such people right than their religion does. Type does more to restrain them than conscience. Estimated only by its negative force for good freedom of the press is a good thing, but does any one need to be told that it is easy to have too much of this good thing ? The press is in more danger from overdoing than from anything else. Impertinent interference with private affairs; cowardly onslaughts on private individuals, prompted by business rivalry or personal hate; hypocritical championing of causes; enterprise that is

beastly cruel as well as impertinent, grossly unfair criticism these and a few other bad qualities can do the press more harm than the rack and the thumb-screw can. A free press is one of the best things we have but it is very easy to have too much of that good thing.

Reading is a good thing but it is quite possible to read too much. The amount assimilated is the real test of reading not the number of books skimmed.

Rational amusement is a good thing but when amusement is made a business it becomes an evil and dangerous thing. There are few creatures in this world more to be pitted than a human being constantly in search of something to amuse him.

It is a good thing for a young man to go and see his intended occasionally but if he goes every night and stays until the old gentleman comes in and winds up the clock, and the old lady goes out to the front gate and says she is looking for the morning paper he is making too much of a good thing.

An occasional joke is a good thing but a professional joker is a nuisance. To be worth anything a joke must have seriousness and solidity behind it.

A hearty laugh is a good thing but a person who laughs at everything is not more than one remove from an idiot.

Yes, it is quite easy to have too much of a good thing. Even a prayer or a sermon may be far too long. One of the good things to know in this world is to know when to stop.

How often have you seen the best thing spoilt by being carried a little too far.

OUTPOURINGS OF THE SPIRIT.*

The above is the title of a new work on the subject of Revival, by the Rev. W. A. McKay, B.A., Woodstock. The subject is one of such great, living and practical interest that it keeps constantly turning up in our Christian literature, as well as our Christian lifework. It is satisfactory to find it in this latest contribution handled with so much intensity, discrimination and practical urgency. If the book has faults they are mainly those almost inseparable from the brevity (p. 141) so desirable in a work intended for the wide circulation it is to be hoped this will receive. Its interest and completeness would have been greatly enhanced by some account of recent as well as remoter revivals in the United States and Canada. Ample recognition of the glorious visitation of divine grace has much to do with their extension and recurrence. The interests of vital religion have suffered quite as much from over caution in this respect as the opposite. The first chapter of the book discusses the nature of true revival, the next six briefly and graphically sketch various prominent scenes of this nature in Bible times, then in England, Scotland, Ireland and America. The remaining three deal with the practical aspects of the question. As we might expect, there is much that is instructive, and stimulating for the preacher and for the people of God at large, the thought upon revival possibilities and methods in the home and the congregation are especially suggestive and impressive. Would that they could be pondered in every congregation and in every home. Especially should this book be read and candidly pondered by those Christians who from some cause or other have found themselves disposed to turn away from the subject. We venture to think that few even of such would find Mr. McKay's treatment of the question unsatisfactory. At page 19 he says : "There has been so much defective, if not erroneous, teaching, so much fanatical excitement and so much hollow profession connected with some so-called revivals that many earnest but sober-minded Christians have acquired a distaste for the very word ' revival.' But let us beware of rejecting the genuine gold because of its worthless counterfeit. . . . How careful also should we be lest we discountenance a real work of grace because of some things which may occasionally accompany it ! . Connected with many revivals there has been much of an emotional and spasmodical character. But these are only incidental. The adventitious is not to be confounded with the essential. We do not despise the great river because of the sticks and straws that may occasionally float on its surface. The greatest possible evil is a deadly insensibility. The storm is preferable to the parching drought. Better, if that were necessary, to have noisy animal excitement than that the sterile wastes of worldliness should not be transformed into the fruitful gardens of the Lord. Notwithstanding incidental excesses, there is such a thing as a true revival of religion. The psalmist when he prayed : 'Wilt Thou not revive us again ?' was not guilty of presumption and mockery; nor the prophet when he cried: "O Lord, revive Thy work, 'etc. Should not such seasons be objects of intense desire, fervent prayer and earnest effort on the part of God's people? It may indeed be said that the Church should always be awake and thoroughly in earnest. We readily admit the 'should be,' but who will claim that the Church is so at the present time? It is not a question of duty or privilege, but of fact. With the murderous liquor traffic legalized by the votes of church members, in full blast on every side of us; with Romanism so aggressive; with the spirit of worldliness so prevailing; with immoralities of various forms eating, like a cancer, into the very heart of the community; with the overwhelming majority of our young

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men never inside a Christian Church, and only five per cent. of these members of the Church; with our prayer-meetings so small, and with a liberality amounting to less than oneseventh of a cent a day from each communicant for the evangelization of a thousand million heathen, who will say that we have no need of revival, no need of revival in temperance, truthfulness, uprightness? The time may come when the Church will be all on fire of earnestness; when every heart will be stout and every arm will be strong in conflict against evil; when Sabbath assemblies will be crowded and the prayer-meetings times of refreshing ; when Church members, full of the spirit of their Master, will rise above the large greeds and little givings of former days, and, like Araunah, as a king gives unto a king, pouring out their treasures as brave warriors do their blood ; and giving, or at least striving to give, after the measure of Him who, that we and a lost world might not perish, gave His only begotten Son. But the time is not yet."

As to our responsibility, page 128 : "We are apt to regard a religious revival as a miracle or as some arbitrary i uifes. tation of the Almighty power, given in His own time hout any reference to any action of His Church as a preparation for it. There is no use trying to 'work up a revival,' we often hear said. 'A revival,' it is urged, 'depends upon the sovereign will of God, and we are not to move until there are unmistakable signs that God is about to commence a work of salvation, but we run before we are sent, and injure the cause of religion.' All such reasoning is based on an erroneous conception of the divine method. Undoubtedly a revival is a work of God, otherwise we need not pray : 'O Lord, revive Thy work.' But God works through means in the spiritual as in the natural world; and He has ordained that His people shall be co-workers with Him in extending His kingdom. They are to plant and to water, in order that He may give the increase. It is the Spirit that quickens believers and converts sinners, and the Spirit is given not in any arbitrary manner or without regard to human will, but in answer to prayer and to render human agency successful. A revival is thus in an important sense the result of means employed by the Church. If the Church is seeking a revival she must 'awake and put on her strength;' she must stir herself to take hold of God. Isaiah said : "As soon as Zion travailed she brought forth children,' and it is true of the Church to-day."

The means to gain this all-important end our author very clearly describes as (1) preaching of the good old Gospel plainly and earnestly, (2) backed up by holiness of life, accompanied by (3) fervent prayer and (4) bold and loving personal efforts to bring souls to Christ. As in the first three centuries "all at it and always at it," with the results of bringing the known world to the feet of Jesus. Why should not this be repeated in this age of steam and electricity and of ripe Christian experience and accomulated wealth on a yet grander scale? The opportunities and the exigencies of the hour combine with the divine commands and promises to urge the holy enterprise. Who will say it may not be done? Who will say it should not be done? Then why shall it not be done? Let the situation be solemnly faced, and what will the verdict be? "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save ; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear, but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear." (Isa. lix, 12). Also for the sloth, selfishness and unbelief of the day, are they not sufficient without going farther to account for the failures? We may close this notice with the repetition of our author's aim : " it is not to promulgate any special theory of revivals. Our object will be attained it we succeed only in imparting useful information, removing unseemly prejudices and awakening a more widespread and earnest cry for a work of grace throughout the land." In all W. M. R. of which we wish him Godspeed.

FRAGMENTARY NOTES.

HALIFAX. N. S.

Among the large number of individuals who are advised to go to Halifax," this correspondent found himself among the number, and yet, unlike many other places, it . a place where one would rather stay than leave, not altogether for the sake of filthy lucre but for the many attractions which the old capital of Nova Scotia holds out to those in search of pleasure and amusement. These are varied and numerous. To the lovers of sports there is always football, cricket, and the spiendid Basin at Bedlord, where the oarsman can exercise his muscle. Those who have a taste for military life can have it gratified to the very utmost, as the red coats are to be seen on the streets marching to the music of fife and drum. Halifax is equal to any other city in proportion to its size in providing benevolert institutions which it liberally supports. They have their dispensary Sunday, to which all denominations contribute, and whatever may be the difference on other points all are agreed on this, and quite a respectable sum was realized about a week ago when collections were taken up in all the churches for this very deserving object.

The city shows many signs of substantial progress and prosperity. The many new and handsome residences which have been erected, or in course of erection, are sufficient evidence of this. Educational interests are not neglected here Dalhousie College is making its power felt in the Maritime Provinces, and under the Presidency of Rev. Dr. Forrest is

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removal of Dr. Alexander to Toronto University, but this has been compensated for by the appointment of Dr. McMechan, a son of one of our most respected and honoured ministers, the Rev. James McMechan of Port Perry, Ontario. Other eminent professors still remain, among whom are Professor McGregor, who has attained to more than a local reputation and whose abilities in his department are likely to be more widely recognized. President Forrest is following the good example set him in the West, by raising an endowment fund for Dalhousie, to which institution the Maritime Provinces owe so much. It has been freely endowed in the past by the liberality of Mr. Munro of New York, a former Nova Scotian, who has done much for the cause of education in his native province.

Presbyterianism is strong in this city, and except St. Mathew's, at present without a stated pastor, the pulpits are all manned by able, scholarly men, who, should occasion arise, will be found at their post to defend the principles and doctrines of our time-honoured Zion. It is probable that before this appears in print, that St. Mathew's congregation will have called a pastor, as on a late occasion the opinion of the congregation was taken and it was decided to call Rev. A. J. Mewat of Fredericton. Mr. Mowat is known to be among the first preachers in the Maritime Provinces, and, should he accept, he will be a very important addition to the pulpit power of Halifax.

PARK STREET CHURCH.

This is one of the prosperous congregations of the city. Established in 1843 by a number of Presbyterian families, its growth has been steady and in its present location the new church is an ornament to the part of the city where it stands. At first the Church was known as "Poplar Grove Church," and its first minister was the Rev. P. G. McGregor, (afterwards Dr. McGregor) under whose pastorate the Church grew and strengthened. Dr. McGregor's throat failed, and in 1867 he was appointed agent of the Church, and all know how valuable were his services in this capacity. He is affectionately remembered by all who came in contact with him as well as by the people of all denominations. The Rev. Allan Simpson, the present pastor, was called in 1868 to succeed Mr. McGregor, and a better choice could not have been made. As Presbyterianism was still growing, a number of families from Poplar Grove and Chalmers Church united and formed what is now Fort Massey Church in the south end of the city-Notwithstanding the old congregation prospered. About five years ago the congregation erected a handsome new church on North Park Street and bade an affectionate farewell to old Poplar Grove. A large share of the cost of the new building was borne by two members of the Chu-ch, the late Thomas Bayne and John McNeal. The change of locality has proved to be in the best interests of the congregation and the cause of Presbyterianism in the city. Quite a number of liberal, leal-hearted Presbyterians were connected with this congregation, among whom might be mentioned C. D. Hunter, the founder of the "Hunter Church Building Fund" and who, besides, contributed liberally in support of missions and all the schemes of the Church: There are about 150 families, and over 300 communicants in connection with this congregation and over 300 scholars on the roll of the Sunday school. The stipend paid is \$1,750 with a manse, and the contributions for all purposes about \$5,000. As already stated the pastor of the Church is the Rev. Allan Simpson, a man much beloved by his congregation, and the public generally. He is a thoughtful, 'original preacher, and although he is now, I think, the the oldest minister in point of service in our Church here, still he is quite young looking and would hardly be said to have reached middle life. He is a native of Prince Edward Island and certainly reflects credit on the "Garden Province." The service in Park St. Church last Sabbath evening was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Fowler of Scotland, who by his sermons since his arrival in Halifax has made a most favourable impression. There was a large congregation present and the discourse was of such a racy and telling character as to arrest and hold the closest attention. Mr. Fowler has a plain, but rather abrupt manner, but at times rises to real eloquence. We have need of such preachers in Canada, and plenty of room for them.

Pire Hill College was opened by a very able lecture by Professor Pollok, D.D., in Chalmer's Church which was well filled on the occasion. It would seem to be a mistake, as is the custom in some places, to have these lectures given in college halls, since usually they are unsuitable and are not in central localities. If they are intended only for professors and students there is no use inviting the public, but if they are intended for the members of our Churches generally they should be given in some central church where the people can be accommodated.

At a recent lecture in Toronto a lady member of one of our Churches told me that the only word she heard distinctly was the word "God." Buildings with good acoustic properties should be selected for these occasions and it is imperative that those who contribute to the support of such institutions should be induced to attend. The lectures delivered on these occasions are generally among the best efforts of the lecturer, and care should be taken that as many as possible should have the opportunity to hear them.

It may not be out of place here to notice an event which caused much interest not only to the Presbyterian community, but to a very wide social circle, especially among the musicloving portion of society, that is the marriage of Miss Edith the number and position of their fortresses that they must

making rapid strides. The conege sustained a loss in the Burns, second eldest daughter of the Rev. Dr. Burns, of this city, to Mr. McKsy, of Dundee, Scotland, which took place in Fort Massey Church. Although admission was by ticket the edifice was packed, and the ceremony was performed by the father of the bride in a new gown given him by the congregation for the occasion, and who was assisted by the Rev. Professor Currie, D.D., and Rev. President Forrest, D.D., both members of the Session of Fort Massey Church. The happy couple sailed for Scotland and will reside at Broughty Ferry, К. a suburb of Dundee.

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COREAN MOUNTAIN LORE.

This title is suggested by the familiar subject of folk-lore. I wish to string a few facts together, bearing on the language of the Coreans, gathered partly from Mons. Ridel's Corean Dictionary, and partly from conversations with Coreans, to show how largely mountains have influenced the national life in Corea.

Originally the mountains were evidently associated in Corea, as elsewhere, with "wildness." The outlaws who preyed upon society had their homes or their fastnesses there. and a man of the mountains was supposed to be of wilder aspect than the dwellers in the plains. We see this idea represented in the mummers of to-day, who in spring and autumn amuse the children by their disfigured faces, wild dresses and wilder antics, and who are known as the wild men or the fantastic men of the mountains. In those days mountain residence indicated stress of circumstances ; and, in fact, the same word means mountaineer and tiger-the tiger being the mountaineer par excellence, and styled also the King of the Mountains. A change came when the population overflowed in the plains. There was nothing for it but to take to the hills, as the pressure of warlike tribes made emigration impossible. The first beginning was, of course, made by the very needy; and we find a word which means "the toil or travail of the mountain," and which tells us of fuel-cutting, of herb-gathering, and of laborious efforts in the way of earning a livelihood. Then came deliberate farming, and we find names for the little plots of arable land, perched sometimes in seemingly inaccessible places, where only necessity, and the most determined industry born of it, could induce a settlement, or win a living from the unpromising soil. There were still inaccessible parts, and parts too barren to repay even this most poverty-stricken industry; and these soon began to be consecrated to religion. With the instinct of beauty, which in almost every creed has been more or less associated with religion, the Buddhist priest built his temple as it were an eagle's cyrie. With the temple came the hermit, clothing coarsely and faring on herbs, a student of nature, and sometimes even a book-worm. Mons. Ridel (Corean Dictionary, page 373, san-rim) gives an interesting illustration of the natural declension which has taken place all the world over in this respect, and the ultimate connection between hermit and humbug. Originally the hermit was indeed a philosopher who had seen something of the hollowness of life in cities, and who retired to the wilderness to muse over the mysteries of mind and matter, and above all to construct a life on a true ideal. Then came the day of make-believe when books were paraded and lofty airs assumed, and philosophic jargon indulged in. Finally, the thing became a "profession," and the sons of the rich took to it and made it ridiculous ; till in modern Corea, hermit, which means simply "mountain and forest," has become a soubriquet for the good-for-nothing son, the dilettante of the family In process of time, as trade arose, and towns became centres of wealth, we find the town population itself overflowing upon the mountains-not as settlers, however, but as pleasure-seekers. The Coreans have something to show for their extraordinary conceit. They were civilized long before we were; and—some Westerners will be slow to believe it-they do not stand second to us even now in what we deem one of the most indisputable blossoms of civilization-a love of nature and of beautiful scenery. They have a perfect wealth of words which go to prove this. Thus you have all manner of terms for the residences of these summer tourists-the lodge, the villa, the hall, the prospect, the belvédère, the peak, the pavilion, and such like. You have all manner of poetical combinations, as mountain and water, and mountain and forest. You have rich choice words for the green of spring and for the wondrous glory of crimson which marks their autumn, as it does ours, in the Manchurian Hills ; while you have a special word for winter sight-seeing, where the glory lies in the virgin snow. You have a rich vocabulary indicating their familiarity with every conceivable feature of mountains in their almost perpendicular cliffs, in their beetling brows, in their "one myriad one thousand" jagged peaks, in their deep, dark shadows, in their countless ramifications. While the wilder features clearly impose most on the imagination, the cool shade of the dells is not forgotten, nor the beauty and quietness of those sequestered flowery spots where nature surpasses herself to show her wealth. Ultimately we find not only hamlets and villages, but even cities with the prefix of mountain. Then, all through their history there was the mountain fort. The men who have given their name to Corea began their national existence by the conquest of this province of Manchuria, the southern part of which they held securely for many centuries. They have left abundant evidence in

But, indeed, the country-now named from them Corea-was a fighting country before they saw it ; and the several kingdoms into which it was anciently divided have quite as "famous" a page to show in this respect as the westerns themselves. But the fort in the wilderness, in the wilder parts of the mountains, has always been in requisition as a place of refuge in days of defeat and civil war. To one of these long-famed fastnesses of nature the king, we are told, was hurried lately to escape the embroglio in which he is so unhappily placed through the conflicting interests of the Japanese, the Celestial, and the Western. The mountains, of course, all through the chequered history of the "Little Kingdom," have heard the voice of the huntsman. The game is what is reckoned of the noblest. The tiger is, as we have said, the prince or king of the mountain; the tiger-hunter, therefore, is a kind of king amongst huntsmen, and when the French had their little war with Corea, it is said as many as three thousand of these sharp-shooters were called out by royal proclamation to assist in exterminating the foreigner. Then you have the leopard, the bear, the wolf, the wild boar, the fox, et id genus omne, not to speak of more innocent sport in deer and hare and winged game. They have some touches of Norman civilization in the matter of hunting nomenclature. They used both hound and falcon. We have glimpses of early German life, as revealed in Freitag's " Die Ahnen," as we read of the huntsman who attacked the noblest game, lance in hand, and whose lance in the flanks of a wounded animal doubtless formed his title to the spoil-the "flesh of the mountain"; as it was called. Then we read much of the wild produce of the mountain as honey, its wild fruits, its inexhaustible supply of roots and herbs suitable for the cuisine, its wealth of medicinal herbs, and, above all, its ginseng-in regard to which last it is customary to pray to the Spirit of the Mountain to discover the whereabouts of its choicest varieties. A spice is added to the romance of the herbgatherer's life as we read of the "mountain serpents," by which they mean any snake of uncommon dimensions and more than average deadliness. And yet, withal, they have a word which means a "penchant for the mountain," and which is the same passion in Corea as that which in these days has brought the epithet "mad" into such frequent association with the Alp-climbing Englishman. That Corea is a beautiful country appears everywhere from its vocabulary; and it speaks home to us with its ferns, its haze!, its hawthorne, its countless flowers of every shade, promising deserved fame to the fortunate botanist who shall be first to make known its wealth. But to the Corean the over-towering interest of the mountains lies in the fact that his graves are there. As the religion of the country is simply Confucianism outdone, the deceased ancestors are therefore the "Luck-bringers;" and as the deceased have their heaven, or at least their frequent place of Assembly at the graves, the blessing and the frown of the dead come alike from the hills. Thus "the place on the mount" is one of the many honorary words for "tomb." A "mountain lawsuit" means a plea about a tomb, prior settlement establishing a right which was occasionally encroached upon by the landless in their necessity. The "toil or travail of the mountain," besides the meaning given above, is also the act of interment-the painful ascent and the laborious work on the grave itself. The "shadow of the mountain" is happiness which comes from a tomb well placed. Mountain passion, or a craving for the mountain, is the longing to obtain a happy site in death (not the word given above as signifying a love for hill-climbing). So there is the "lot of the mountain," speaking of the acts of divination by which a happy tomb is secured, and in a secondary sense meaning the lucky tomb itself. They speak also of the "science of the mountains," which means knowledge of their forms and directions (on which depends the fung shui of the country); and also the science of the tombs-i.e., the seeking of a lucky site. The first thing my Corean companion speaks of in scenery is the "aspect of the mountains," as on this depends the happiness of the dead and of the living. We need not wonder, therefore, that there is a "chant" in which they sing the praises of the mountains; that there is much sacrificing in "high places;" that the tombs are called "mountain gardens;" that there is in every well-to-do family a "guardian of the mountains," i.e., of the tombs ; and that the very rain itself brings its blessings not from heaven, but from the hills .- Rev. John Macintyre, M.A., Newchwang, Man

have cost the Tane emperor some trouble to drive them out, and they did not forget their art on the other side of the Jaloo.

CAN TRUST HIM.

churia.

A teacher said the other day : " Henry Stover is the only boy in school I can trust when my back is turned." Wasn't that a good word for Henry?

A mother said once : "I can leave any letter I write open on my desk, and if I am called away, no matter for how long, I am certain Nellie will never try to read a word of it. These things couldn't be said of every boy and girl.

These children are honest. They do right, not only when others are looking at them, but always, remembering that God's eye is upon them. They do right because it is right. This is what we should all and always do-live as in God's presence, and do what will please Him.

Catarrh indicates impure blood, and to cure it, take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which purifies the blood. Sold by all druggists.

Pastor and **People**.

THE GREAT SUNDAY SCHOOL HYMN.

BY REV. DUNCAN MORRISON, D D.

ENGLISH HYMN. There is a happy land, Far, far away, Where saints in glory stand, Bright, bright as day : O, how they sweetly sing Worthy is our Saviour King ; Loud let, His praises ring, Praise, praise for aye.

Come to this happy land, Come, come away ; Why will ye doubting stand, Why still delay? O, we shall happy be When from sin and sorrow free, Lord, we shall live with Thee, Blest, blest for aye.

Bright in that happy land Beams every eye. Kept by a Father's hand, Love cannot die : On then to glory run ; Be a crown and kingdom won ; And, bright, above the sun, Reign, reign for aye.

LATIN TRANSLATION. Est felix patria Hinc, hinc, longe ; Stant sanc.i glorià Clairor die. O quàm suave canant, Regis decus celebrent ; Laudes ejus resonent, Laus, laus aien.

Venite gloriam ; Nunce, nunc veni, Ad urbem auream ; Cur dubii? Purgati tenebris, Repleti luminis, Beati crimus Per sacula.

In clára hác terrá. Qui oculus lucet. Et omnis mens pura, Pater ducet. Venite Dominum, Venite stephanum, Regnare in eum, Per sæcula.

The author of "The Happy Land" is Mr. Andrew Young, an elder of the Greenside Parish Church, Edinburgh, and a successful Sabbath school worker, though over fourscore years. He has lost nothing of his early interest in children, and not long since he took part in a service got up for them in Albert Hall, Edinburgh.

The hymn was written in 1838, and so it reached its jubilee in 1888, rolled up its fiftieth year of blessed work ; the results of which eternity alone can unfold. Mr. Young embraced the occasion of his hymn's jubilee to issue through the press-Religious Tract Society-an illuminated card containing the hymn; and so in this quiet way gave a new impetus to a song which has proved to be of great blessing to the world.

No hymn that we know of has met with greater honour; no one has stirred the depths of social life among the English-speaking race and coloured the thought of the rising generation to such an extent as

There is a happy land Far, far away, etc.

The fact that it has been translated into nineteen different languages and that it is to be found in all the hymnals pertaining to Sabbath schools that we know, is evidence of its great popularity and unfading power.

But how came such a hymn to be written? What English model had the poet for such verse? What put it into the head of that quiet elder of Greenside Parish Church, Edinburgh, to write in terms so bright and felicitous, reminding us of the steady, well-measured tramp of a military escort accompanied with the tip of the drum or the touch of the cymbal? In the sharp, well-balanced ictus of some of the old Greek tragedies, the strophe and the antistrophe of Sophocles or Euripides we have something like a parallel to this hymn, but how came Mr. Young to take such a model or fall upon such a model? The secret of the power of this hymn is certainly not in the thought, beautiful as that is, for there is nothing new here-nothing striking or evangelical here. And so we raise the question : How came this author to alight upon a form of verse that has given to the hymn, commonplace as the thought may be, such an amazing popularity?

The answer is that though the thought is commonplace, it is the greatest and grandest that can take possession of the soul, and secondly, it was written in adaptation to an old Indian melody that blended with the music of the forest long before Sabbath schools .ere ever dreamed of. It was written very much as the hymn was written :--

Oh for a closer walk with God, etc.

From time to time the poet Cowper heard an old cobbler whose window looked into the garden where the " Task " and other poems were chiefly written, humming over the old tune

that soft, sad strain from day to day, his thoughts, that had recently taken a melancholy turn, found, at length, expression in that great hymn which the Church will not let die as long as there are sad hearts to be cheered and holy aspirations to be satisfied. In a similar manner was Mr. Young guided in his verse in giving expression to his hymn, which has taken the heart of Christendom. That old Indian melody to which we refer-the song of the Aborigines, the theme of their joy and the vehicle of their superstition-had at length made its way to Edinburgh. This Mr. Young one night happened to hear in a drawing-room, concerning which an anonymous writer says in substance that his musical ear was arrested by its bright and strongly-marked phrases. It took possession of him, and it was repeated again and again. He found no relief until his thoughts and feelings took rhythmic

Another link in the chain of its history-a Mr. Gall, an intimate friend of Mr. Young, and a member of the publishing firm of Gall & Inglis, casually heard it performed, and so it came into print. It met a want, for there were few hymns for children fifty-three years ago. It has done a great work. It has been translated, as has been said, into nineteen different languages. My readers have sung it, and many have been blessed thereby, and its mission, is not yet ended. It has never brought the author a penny, but how great is his reward ! Who can contemplate its history without saying : God is here of a truth ? It has been a power in the youthfut heart, and it has been a power in the heart of men-men cold, cynical, logical-refusing to listen to the preacher, but not insensible to the truer logic of the heart. All ranks and conditions of men, the rich and poor, the learned and the unlearned, have been moved by its bright and striking monotones. What an illustration of this in the case of Thackeray as given by Professor David Masson. Walking one day in a slun district in London, this gifted writer, dealing so much in romance, but often finding truth stranger than fiction, he suddenly came upon a band of gutter children sitting on the pavement. Sallow was their look, dirty and torn their raiment, but they were singing. And what was the song of those sad children?

There is a happy land Far, far away.

He drew nearer to the children and the tender-hearted cynic burst into tears.

A WORD TO MOTHERS ABOUT BOYS.

Some of you have probably seen an old "St. Nicholas" picture with the legend,

I am my mamma's lady-girl, And I must sit quite still.

It is not impossible to make a lady-boy. Many mothers have done it. But it does not pay. You will find plenty ready made; far more than the world has the slightest use for.

Live largely. Do not force your gallon boy into a gill measure unless you desire dynamite results.

In any large nature you will find more faculties packed away for future use than a boy can comprehend. Here and there the inner man bursts out in great disproportion to any known cause, and if you are a timid mother you think the end of all things is at hand. Wait a bit. Great explosions of temper are hard to bear, but like thunderstorms they make a wide, clear space all about, and health-giving breezes follow along with sunshine. Take courage.

Let your boy run and climb. Of course you are afraid : all mothers are. But that has nothing to do with it. Patched clothes, bruises and scratches are more becoming to a boy than flabby muscles, and a visible fear of hurting himself. I knew a little fellow who was encouraged to climb a ladder to the top of the house when he could just reach from rung to rung. "Hold on," the father said, "and be careful where you step." And he never thought of falling. Years afterward he attributed his clear-headed fearlessness to his somewhat heroic training.

Do you never see a boy who must never do this or that. never run too fast, never get tired, never soil hands or clothes -a boy to whom dirt is as sinful as a lie ?

Perhaps you would be interested in such a boy grown to negative manhood.

"My boy," said an old lady to her neighbour, "never made any trouble. I could set him down anywhere, and he'd set and set-"

"And he's never done anything but set for forty year," commerned the neighbour rehearsing the story.

Let your boy play baseball and football, and work out the animal in him. If he is too daring, encourage him. He likes to see you gasp. The thing that you do not oppose will soon lose all the charm of forbidden fruit. The conceit will work itself clear before long. All ferments are frothy at a certain stage, and bottling is unsafe. There is great apparent waste in Nature's methods. She frequently supplies a harrel of energy to a pint of accomplishment. She is generous with boys because she is fond of them. "Do not be afraid to follow her lead.

Boys alone are but sorry savages - yet here again is Nature ready with her remedy. She knows very well what she is about when she sets them in families, boys and girls together.

You have all seen boys who were cooped up from other boys, like a sort of tame flock kept from wild beasts. You

have doubtless seen them grow to manhood in leading strings, without the slightest knowledge of the material they have to deal with in the world.

While your boy is under your control let him come in contact with his kind, and learn how to deal with them, and how to be dealt with. His follies will be pruned with a sharper knife than you would dare use. His words will be proved by his deeds. He will take the consequences of his actions.

Perhaps he lords it over a younger brother at home. Let him try it with one of his own size. Of course he will be hurt. In the fields, Nature puts poison and antidote side by side. Teach him to bear things manly.

Thank God that it is not often in your power to destroy his self-respect, though I have seeu mothers whose lives were spent in the attempt. A boy is proud to keep back tears. Self-control can grow on very poor soil if you give it a start.

If your boy learns to skate, to swim, to row a boat, do not be like a hen flapping on the bank because her one duckling has taken to the water.

Make sharp distinctions between things and principles, if you are rearing men. Your boy must be made of very poor stuff if you cannot teach him to be truthful, upright and loyal. Preach to him the gospel of affirmation, not negation. Get his confidence at all hazards, and keep it. Know all his follies, all his sirs by his own willing disclosures; but do not confound the two. Teach him to require of you all knowledge ; and get it that you may impart it to him. All knowledge is safe from fathers' and mothers' lips. Fill his mind, his heart, his soul so full of good, and of all high and holv ambitions, that nothing evil can find a crevice to creep in at.

You may have years of doubt. It is not well. God does not make even a tree in a dozen years. Is not your boy of more value than many trees? Sow your seed in hope, and wait lovingly, as well as patiently, for both the early and the later rain.-Alyn Yates Keith, in Sunday School Times.

HUMILITY.

A sense of unworthiness is very desirable and commendable. Some of you are destitute of it. I dare say you think it a mean and miserable thing. You suppose it would injure your manliness, lower your self-respect and dampen your courage. Dear friends, the manliness which feeds on sin is a poisonous fungus, which grows out of the rottenness of a corrupt heart. May it be taken away from us !

I commend a sense of our unworthiness because it is a sense of what is true. When a man thinks himself unworthy before the Lord, his thoughts are right. When he feels that he could not be saved by the merit of his own works, for his works are faulty and defiled, then he judges according to fact. Whatever result a thought may have upon us, whether it makes us happy or makes us sad, this is a secondary matter ; the main point with an honest mind must always be : Is it true? If it be a truthful thought, I ought at once to entertain it, cost me what it may.

In the next place, note that a deep sense of unworthiness is no proof that a man has grossly sined. It may be viewed in quite the opposite light; if the man had been heinously wicked, his conscience would have lost its sensitiveness, and he would not in all probability have felt his unworthiness so keenly. Do not judge men by their estimates of themselves; or if you do, take this as your guide, that he that humbleth himself is to be exalted, and he that exalteth himself is to be abased. He that is great is little. Let him that is little to himself be all the greater with you. God loveth not those who boast ; He hath filled the hungry with good things, but the rich He hath sent empty away.

I commend this sense of unworthiness because it has a tendency to make a man kind to others. He who thinks himself everybody thinks another man nobody. If a man be proud, he will say: " I am a man under authority, hav-ing soldiers under me; and I am not to be worried by having sick boys to look after." Sympathy, tenderness and the valuation of others are strangers in the house of the proud; but they take up their abode with those who think themselves unworthy. Beloved, it is well to think little of yourselves, for then you will have more thought to spare for the sorrows of others. The great man, ne very great man, the highly-deserving man, the person who is right honourable and worshipful personage, rides rough shod over his fellows and crushes them without compunction if they lie in his way and may hinder his design; but the consciously unworthy man, the man who feels that he owes everything to the mercy of God, and must still depend upon that mercy and that mercy only, will be tender and guntle towardsthis fellow-sinners and

speak comfortably unto them. We commend again this sense of unworthiness because it makes a man lowly towards the Saviour. Of all things that are contemptible, a proud bearing towards the Lord Jesus is the most hateful ; yet it is by no means unusual. Some seem to fancy that Jesus is their servant, at their beck and call ; and they talk about His salvation as though He ought to give it, and they could claim it for themselves and all mankind. Our right state of heart, when dealing with our Lord Jesus. heart, w is that of the penitent washing His feet with tears, or of the leper who fell at His feet and worshipped Him. If we would come to the Saviour of sinners, we must come as sinners. We must come as humble petitioners, and not as those who proudly fancy that they have a claim upon the grace of God. A sense of unworthiness is exceedingly useful, because it puts a man where God can bless him.—C. H. Spurgeon.

CLEVER WOMEN

quite realize that by the great law of progress something is always being brought out to make life pleasanter. The latest thing introduced is the "Health" undervest for ladies, made from the very finest Australian wool, and which every good doctor in Canada agrees is a perfect safeguard against cold, whilst being at the same time well fitting, warm and luxuri-When you go down town step into any first-class dryous. goods house and ask to see these goods. If you do not see the word " Health " plainly stamped on the article, don't buy it, as it will not be the genuine article.

Ludlow while he stitched and drew his rosin ends. Hearing form. Hence the birth of this celebrated hymn.

Our Young Folks.

THE LITTLE BELL IN THE HEART.

My heart keeps knocking all the day ! What does it mean ? What would it say ? My heart keeps knocking all the night ! Child, hast thou thought of this aright ? So long it has knocked, now loud, now low ; Hast thou thought what it means by knocking so ?

My child, 'tis a lively little bell, The dear God's gift, who loves thee well, On the door of the sort by Him 'tis hung, And by His hand it still is wrang ; And He stands without and waits to see Whether within He will welcome be ; And still keeps knocking, in hopes to win The welcome answer, "Come in ! come in !"

So knocks thy heart now, day by day, And when its strokes have died away, And all its knockings on earth are o'er, It will knock itself at heaven's door, And stand without, and wait and see Whether within it will welcome be, And here Him say: "Come, dearest guest ! I found in thy bosom a holy rest. As thou hast done, be it done to thee; Come into the joys of eternity !"

-From the German

HAVING SOME FUN.

"Now, boys, I will tell you how we can have some fun," said Charlie to his companions, who had assembled one bright moonlight evening for sledding, snow-balling and fun generally.

"What is it?" asked several at once.

"You shall see," said Charlie. "Who's got a saw?"

"I have. So have I," replied three of the boys.

"Get them; and you and Fred and Nathan each get an axe, and I will get a shovel. Let's be back in fifteen minutes."

The boys separated to go on their several errands, each wondering of what use saws, axes and shovels could be in the play. But Charlie was a favourite with all, and they fully believed in his promises, and were soon back again for the fun.

fun. "Now," said he, "Widow Bradley has gone to sit up all night with a sick child. A man hauled her some wood today, and I heard her tell him that unless she could get some one to saw it to-night she would have nothing to make a fire with in the morning. Now, boys, it will be just as easy for us to saw, split and pile up her wood as to make a snow-man on her doorstep, and the surprise of the first will be better than that of the last. What say you, boys?"

One or two of the boys objected, and could not see the fun, but the majority went for it with the inward satisfaction and joy that always results from well-doing.

It did not take long for seven smart, healthy boys to split and pile up that load of wood, and to shovel a good path from doorstep to woodpile. They felt great pleasure and satsfaction over their fun, and then all went to a neighbouring carpenter's shop, where shavings could be had for carrying away, and each brought an armful; then they went home with light and joyful hearts.

The next morning, when the poor, weary widow returned from watching at the sick bed, and saw what had been done, she was astonished, and tears of gratitude ran down her cheeks. She wondered who had done the kindly deed ; and when afterward told, her fervent invocation : "God bless the boys !" would have richly repaid them could they have heard it.

YOUNG MAN, THIS IS FOR YOU.

1. Save a part of your weekly earnings, even if it be no more than a quarter of a dollar, and put your savings monthly in a savings' bank.

2. Buy nothing till you can pay for it, and buy nothing that you do not need.

A young man who has grit enough to follow these rules will have taken the first step upward to success in business. He may be compelled to wear a coat a year longer, even if it be unfashionable ; he may have to live in a smaller house than some of his young acquaintances; his wife may not sparkle with diamonds nor be resplendant in silk and satin, just yet ; his children may not be dressed as dolls or popinjays; his table may be plain and wholesome, and the whiz of the beer or champagne cork may never be heard in his dwelling ; he may have to get along without the earliest fruit vegetables ; he may have to abjure the club-room, the theatre, and the gambling-hell ; and to reverence the Sabbath day and read and follow the precepts of the Bible instead, but he will be the better off in every way for this selfdiscipline. Yes, he may do all these without detriment to his manhood, or health, or characte :. True, empty-headed folk may sneer at him and affect to pity him, but he will find that he has grown strong-hearted and brave enough to stand the laugh of the foolish. He has become an independent man. He never owes anybody, and so he is no man's slave. He has become master of himself, and a master of himself will become a leader among men, and prosperity will crown his every enterprise.

Young man, life's discipline and life's success come from hard work and early self-denial; and hard-earned success is all the sweeter at the time when old years climb up on your shoulder and you need propping up.

THE CANADA PRESBYTERIAN.

OBEYING PLEASANTLY.

Little Harry had seen some older boys fly their kites from the tops of the houses, and he thought it would be nice fun if he could do so too—so he came to his aunt and said :---

"Aunt Mary, can I go up to the top of the house to fly my kite?"

His aunt wished to do everything that was proper to please him, but she thought this was very unsafe, so she said :---

"No, Harry, my boy; I think that is very dangerous sort of play. I'd rather you wouldn't go."

"All right. Then I'll go out on the bridge," said Harry. His aunt smiled, and said she hoped he would always be as obedient as that.

"Harry, what are you doing?" said his mother on one occasion.

"Spinning my new top, mother."

"Can't you take the baby out to ride? Get out the carriage, and I'll bring him down."

"All right !" shouted the boy, as he put his top away in his pocket, and hastened to obey his mother.

"Uncle William, may I go over to the store this morning?" said Harry, one day at breakfast. "I want to see those baskets again that I was looking at yesterday."

"O, yes, Harry," said his uncle ; "I shall be very glad to have you."

"But I cannot spare you to-day, Harry," said his mother; "I want you to go out with me; you shall go to the store another time."

"All right," said Harry, and went on eating.

No matter what Harry was asked to do, or what refusal he met with when asking for anything, his constant answer was: "All right." He never insked: "Why can't I?" or "Why mustn't I?" Harry had not only learned to obey, but he had learned to obey in good humour.

THE LONGEST DAY.

It is quite important when speaking of the longest day in the year to say what part of the world we are talking about, as will be seen by reading the following list, which tells the length of the longest day in several places. How unfortunate are the children in Toruea, Finland, where Christmas Day is less than three hours in length !

At Stockholm, Sweden, it is eighteen and a-half hours in length.

At Spitzbergen the longest day is three and a half months.

At London, England, and Bremen, Prussia, the longest day has sixteen and a-half hours.

At Hamburg, in Germany, and Dantzig, in Prussia, the longest day has seventeen hours.

At Wardbury, Norway, the longest day lasts from May 21 to July 22, without interruption.

At St. Petersburg, Russia, and Tobolsk, Siberia, the longest day is nineteen hours, and the shortest five hours.

At Tornea, Finland, June 21 brings a day nearly twentytwo hours long, and Christmas, one less than three hours in length.

At New York the longest day is about fifteen hours, and at Montreal it is sixteen.

HANDSOME IS THAT HANDSOME DOES.

"She is about the plainest woman I ever saw," said my friend; "but her face radiates so much sunshine that I never think of her looks."

And it was so true. No one who came within the magnetic influence of her sunny spirit ever gave a more than passing thought to the fact of her extreme plainness of feature and awkwardness of form.

She had been a homely child, and they had called her Grace—such a misnomer. Poor little thing ! No one went into raptures over her beauty, and said sweet things to her as they did to her pretty sister, Maud. It had been a heavy cross to the shy child, and during the years of young maidenhood, when other girls were showered with the gallant attentions so flattering to their girlish pride, she was always the one who was "left out of things." But Grace had a wise mother, who tenderly and judiciously showed her young daughter how she might win love and hold it in spite of physical defects—that she must first gain a golden heart, which would ensure a bright, sunshiny face that would win scores of friends. Grace Brown is a plain woman still, but she is also a very attractive woman, with a devoted husband, three or four pretty children and a multitude of friends.

So don't worry, girls, if there is something awry in your features—the worry will only make it worse. It is perfectly natural for you to desire to be beautiful, but if nature has denied you that blessing, why, just make the best of what you have, and cultivate the grace of self-forgetfulness and a sunshiny face.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSONS

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GOLDEN TENT.—Now is Christ risen fro.. the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept.—1 Cor. xv. 20. INTRODUCTORY.

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When Christ died on the cross care was taken to ascertain that He was really dead. The legs of the two malefactors were broken by the soldiers. Coming to the body of Jesus, they did not fracture His limbs, but to be sure that He was dead a soldier thrust a spear into His side. From the wound there flowed blood and water, an evidence of death. The centurion told Pilate that Jesus was dead, who, at the request of Joseph of Arimathea, a disciple of Christ, gave up the body for burial. Joseph placed it in his own new tomb which had never l zen used. Spices were placed along with the body to prevent its decomposition while it remained there over the Jewish Sabbath.

I. The Empty Tomb.—The fact that even the last tributes of respect to the dead were delayed till the dawn of the first day of the week shows how strict the Jewish pecple were in their Sabbath keeping. The pious women and the disciples, during that trying day, rested, in obedience to the divine command. At the first streak of dawn on the following morning, the first Christian Sabbath, Mary Magdlene, Joanna, Mary, the mother of James, and other women went early to the rock-hewn tomb where the body had been placed on the Friday afternoon. They were the first visitors to the sepulchre. They anticipated the disciples. It was their purpose to anoint and embalm the body for burial. They came prepared with the aromatic spices generally used for such occasions. Deep as was their devotion to the Saviour and strong² as was their faith in Him, it is erident from their purpose that they did not expect His immediate resurrection. They and the disciples at the time may have expected His return in some spiritual manner not plain to their minds. At all events they did not anticipate the resurrection that had taken place before their arrival at the tomb. The Jewish rulers, who had heard no doubt something about Christ's rising from the dead, though they did not believe it, thought it possible that the disciples would resort that Jesus had come to life again. To prevent this the large stone, rolled up against the entrance, had a seal set upon it. They also got Plitate to place a guard of soldiers, so that no one could come near. Of these precautions the tomb. When they approached the grave they found the entrance, had a seal set upon it. They also got Plitate to place a guard of soldiers, so that no one could come near. Of these precautions the they due they approached the grave they found the entrance, had a seal set upon it. They also got Plitate to place a guard of soldiers, so that no one could come near. Of these precautions the they buy of the Lord Jesus." This was not done by human hands. An angel had been se

II. The Angels' Testimony.—When the women saw these angelic beings they were at first afraid. The circumstances were peculiar. They had come to anoint the body of Jesus, and they find it gone, and here are these mysterious beings standing beside them. The first words spoken by the angels were words of confort and hope. "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" Here was an intimation that Jesus was alive. The grave was not the place to seek for Him. This was alive. The grave was not the place to seek for Him. This was alive. The grave was not the place to seek for Him. This was alive. The grave was not the place to seek for Him. This was alive. The grave was not the place to seek for Him. This was alive. The grave was not the place to seek for Him. The comes the direct announcement of His resurrection : "He is not here, but is risen." Again there is an appeal to their memory. They'are told to remember His own words foretelling His resurrection which He had spoken to them where they dwelt in Galilee. These words are repeated by the angel : "The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified and the third day rise again." These words brought to their recollection that Jesus had foretold His death and 'resurrection. They remembered His words. Now that the women were convinced of the resurrection they hastened to convey the glad tidings to the eleven, that is, to the circle of the disciples. Now they are called apostles, that is, messengers and personal witnesses of the truth to which they testify. When first the news was brought to them that Christ had risen they were incredulous. The words of the women "seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not." They were not prepared for an announcement which to them seemed so unexpected and so unlikely. Peter and John, however, at once set out with the purpose of finding out for themselves the truth of what they had just heard. John reached the grave first, but Peter was the first to enter it. There he beheld the clothes in which t

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

No fact connected with the life and work of Christ is more clearly established than that of His resurrection. No fact is more perfectly or completely attested.

The resurrection of Christ is the completion and crowning of His atoning work. His sacrifice was accepted and approved by the Father, by whose mighty power He was raised from the dead.

Christ's resurrection is the pledge and the proof of the rising again from the dead of all who believe in Him.

Those who would share in the blessed resurrection must first, through Christ, rise from the state of death in trespasses and sins. They must lay hold on eternal life.

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I affords us much pleasure to be able to announce that arrangements have been completed for a series of able and interesting papers on the stirring religious and ethical questions of the time. All the contributors to the series are men of distinction and writers of eminence, whose names are household words in the Churches of America and Europe. Following is the list of writers and subjects :--

Professor George P. Fisher, D.D., of Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn., author of "Universal History," "Discussion in History and Theology," etc. *Subject*--" MODERN SCI-ENTIFIC RESEARCH AND SCEPTICISM."

Cunningham Geikie, D.D., of Bournemouth, England, author of "Life of Christ," etc. Subject-" REACHING THE MANSES"

Theodore Cuyler, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y. Subject-

Rev. J. H. W. Stuckenberg, D.D., LL.D., of Berlin, Germany. Subject--" THR CHURCH AND SOCIALISM."

Rev Charles H Parkhurst, D.D., of New York. Subject -- " The Church and the State."

Senator Edmond de Pressense, D.D., of Paris, France. Sub-ect-" SIGNS OF A RELIGIOUS REVIVAL IN FRANCE."

Professor Philip Schaff, D.D., LL D., of Union Theological Seminary, New York, author of "History of the Christian Church," etc. Subject—" PRESENT PHASES OF ULTRAMONTAN-ISM IN EUROPE."

Rev. W. G. Blaikie, D.D., LL.D., of Edinburgh, Scotland, Sulpat-To be announced.

Rev. Arthur T. Pierson, D.D., of Philadelphia, Pa., author of "The Crisis of Missions," etc. Subject-" TENDENCIES OF MODERN DOUBT."

Rev. J. Monroe Gibson, D.D., of London, England. Subject -- " CHRISTIANITY AND TRADITIONALISM."

Rev. Edwin P. Ingersoll, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Subject-

Principal William Caven, D.D., of Knox College, Totonto. Subject-" AN ADRQUATE SUFPLY OF MINISTERS."

In addition to the above it may also be stated that those regular contributors to these pages whose papers have in the past been so highly appreciated will continue to address our readers from time to time, while a number of men prominent in the Canadian Church will write on themes of permanent and practical interest in a manner that will be found elevating and profitable.

THE preposterous claims of the Roman Catholic Church are seen in its declarations made from time to time on the validity of what are known as mixed marriages. The question is receiving some attention in Quebec Province at present. The idea that a Roman Catholic man and woman married by a "heretical," that is a Protestant, clergyman, incur damnation by so doing is worthy of the Middle Ages. It is gravely put forth even now in the Province of Quebec.

W HAT kind of people must those be who deluged the County Attorney, the Crown counsel, the prisoner's counsel and the officers of the court and the prisoner with letters during and after the famous trial at Woodstock? We have not heard that Mr. Justice MacMahon was favoured, but no doubt his Lordship had his share. The condemned man's mail, we understand, was something marvellous. Is it not humiliating that in a country dotted with churches and schoolhouses there should be so many fools, so many cranks, so many persons of morbid, mawkish taste? The pastor and the school-master have done much for Ontario. There remains a good deal of territory yet badly in need of cultivation.

S^O much has been said against the Hon, Mr. Mercier in Ontario that it is very difficult to make many people believe that the Quebec premier can do any good thing. Nevertheless the fact is that at the present moment he is engaged in a struggle with some of his own supporters on the Lunatic Asylum question. The Castors want the asylums managed by the Church and the premier wants them put under Government control and inspection, as the Ontario asylums are. Thoughtful people are asking this question : How many of those who persistently, vehemently and, in some instances, violently denounced the Quebec Premier when they thought he was wrong, will now help him even by a word of encouragement when he is undoubtedly right ? How many ?

SENSIBLE people of good taste might do a great deal in the way of repressing the idiots and cranks who disgrace the country and make fools of themselves in every excitement, especially excitement caused by crime. Thousands of good citizens have a weakness for paying too much attention to "odd" people. The "odd" people are often vain, conceited notoriety-hunters, who are willing to do anything for a little notice. In a quiet time they have little chance, but when an excitement of any kind rises they make hay while the sun shines. If every person who tries to connect himself in some way with an awful occurrence like the Woodstock tragedy were soundly snubbed for his pains, the number of fools and cranks in the country would soon decrease. If people who plume themselves on being "odd " were repressed or even treated with silent contempt, the nuisance would be partly abated.

DOLITICS make some queer complications. Many Canadians would like to rejoice at the overthrow of McKinleyism but their joy is restrained by the fact that Tammany Hall helped to put down Mr. McKinley and his tariff. The clergy and many of the best citizens of New York of both parties united in a desperate struggle against Tammany but Tammany won. By force of circumstances a large number of the clergy of New York City had to fight in favour of a tariff that is doing Canada no small amount of injury and the worst elements of the city did their best against that tariff. Verily self-government brings some queer companionships. Our neighbour the Globe would like to throw up its cap over the downfall of McKinleyism but the Globe through war and peace has always been the steadfast friend of the Republican party. In life's great battle we cannot always select our comrades.

"HE British and Foreign Bible Society has done much for the circulation of the Scriptures in every land Civil freedom has opened the way for the distribution of the Bible, and efforts have not been wanting to commend the word of God to the Italian people. While Bible societies are deserving of liberal support, it is at the same time gratifying to observe that enterprising Italians are endeavouring to provide editions of the Scriptures for the use of their fellow-countrymen. Some time ago the editor of 11 Secolo, published in Milan, commenced the issue of an illustrated edition of the Bible in weekly parts at one cent each. The venture has met with much success, the publication having reached a circulation of 17,000 copies. A Jewish firm in Milan has commenced the issue of the New Testament in Italian, with Gustave Doré's illustrations. This also has been favourably received. Another evidence of reviving religious interest in Italy is seen in the announcement of a "Life of Jesus," on evangelical lines, by a prominent member of the Italian Parliament.

THE Winnipeg Free Press has this to say on a subject that will stand and should receive some discussion :--

Mr. Justice MacMahon, before whom the Birchall trial was being held, characterized the cross-examination of one of the witnesses as cruel. There are some cross-examinations which would stand a harder name than that, even to the extent of calling them brutal. Some lawyers seem to think it is their privilege to brow beat and insult a witness, without the least regard for decency. No person, by the mere fact of entering a witness-box, forfeits his right to the same consideration that he would exact under any other condition; and if nor protected in that right by the court he would be justified in asserting it for himself. It is quite a mistaken notion to suppose that any citizen of a free country is obliged to lay aside his manliness at the door as he goes into a court-room.

It has long been a mystery to respectable citizens whose duties occasionally take them to court how some grave judges allow witnesses to be grossly insulted by lawyers who try to make up for their lack of ability or the badness of their case by vile inuendoes, cowardly insinuations, or ruffianism of one kind or another. The Hon. William McDougall once said that the reason he seldom noticed newspaper abuse was because he cared as little for a blackguard writing in the third storey of a newspaper office as for a blackguard standingon the ground. Perhaps the reason why some judges allow such latitude in cross examination is because they think a ruffian in a gown and white neck-tie is not worthy of any more notice than a ruffian in his shirt sleeves in a bar-room. Neither he is, but a court of justice is not the place for displays of ruffianism.

NE of the problems that every good Presbyterian should be trying to solve is how to reach the people-the whole body of the peoplewith facts, arguments and appeals in regard to the Schemes of the Church-especially our Mission Schemes. All the people do not read Church papers. Comparatively few attend missionary meetings. The few who do attend are usually those who are doing their duty already. Many ministers do not preach on the Schemes. If the duty and privilege of sending the Gospel where it is not preached were faithfully and affectionately set before the people, the great majority of them would respond. Those who have the claims of missions set before them in that way respond liberally and there is no reason to believe the others would not be equally willing. Would it not be wise to learn something from politicians about reaching the people ? Gladstone lately delivered half-a-dozen speeches in Scotland that will be read by every Liberal in the land of cakes and by tens of thousands in the colonies. He reached the people. When the Ontario elections of 1886 and of the present year were coming on, Mr. Mowat issued an address that moved the Liberal battalions mightily from the Ottawa River to Lake Huron. He reached the people. Is there no similar way of reaching the people in regard to missions? Won't son body make a speech on home missions, and somebody else one on foreign missions that will move the people when they read them at their firesides all over the country? Would any body try and make an estimate of the number of people in an ordinary congregation that contribute to mission work? What we want is the whole people reached. This is wanted for the sake of the people themselves as well as for the sake of the work. When all the people are reached, though individual contributions may be small, the aggregate is always good.

SLASHING article in the Montreal Star on A the state of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, in which the wealthy members of the Presbyterian Church are charged with insincerity, hypocrisy and several other bad things, was no doubt intended to benefit the fund, but it will most likely have a contrary effect. Everybody who knows anything about Presbyterian people knows they cannot be scolded into doing their duty. There may be some special reason or reasons why this fund is not supported as liberally as the other funds of the Church. The Widows' and Orphans' Fund has been well sustained, and might be increased. No one can deny that of late, all things considered, the Church has dealt generously with her theological halls. As compared with fifteen or twenty years ago, our people give liberally to missions. There must be some eason or reasons why the people make the Agea and Infirm Ministers' Fund an exception. Instead of denouncing the people it would be much wiser to appoint a special commission at the next meeting of Assembly to investigate the causes that prevent the fund from being well sustained. The Methodists are pursuing this course in regard to their fund, and their course is usually a wise one in matters of money. Mr. Burns and Mr. J. K. Macdonald ought to be able to give expert evidence by this time. One thing is sufficiently clear. If a commisson cannot do any good, calling rich men names will never mend matters. It has never been shown that men in moderate circumstances support the fund any more generously than the rich. Let a commission be appointed, composed largely of business men who will go to work in a business way, and find out exactly what the people are thinking and saying about the working of this particular fund. When the Church knows exactly how the land lies, then something may be done to remedy the evil. The only way to make the fund a success is to remove the causes that make it a failure.

A WASTED LIFE.

A N unusual concurrence of circumstances has given to the doings and fate of the unhappy young man who perished on the scaffold last week a world-wide notoriety. The events that led up to the crime for which he suffered, the unearthing of the murder, the character of the young man against whom the awful charge was made, his social standing and relationships contributed to the great, not to

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throughout. The trial was conducted with great ability and with the utmost fairness. Its result was cagerly looked for, and when it was ascertained that the death penalty had been pronounced steps were at once taken to secure if possible a commutation of the sentence. All this tended to keep alive a certain degree of interest in the fate of Reginald Birchall. It may be added that what is known as journalistic enterprise also helped to whet the appetite of the public. The murderer of F. C. Benwell has obtained a degree of notoriety that has hitherto at least been exceptional.

It is melancholy beyond expression to think of a young man who under favourable circumstances began what might have been an honourable and useful career coming at the early age of twenty-four to an end so painfully tragic. There is nothing strikingly novel in the eternal truths which by lurid contrast the gallows in Woodstock gaol-yard so sternly emphasizes. It was unfortunate for the boy when his father died that he was deprived of home with its good influences, safeguards and restraints. At that critical period in a lad's life when he reaches the parting of the ways, it is of the utmost moment that he choose aright. If he is to make of his life the best it is possible of becoming, then he must will to do the right and shun evil. It will not do to be passive. Instinctively too many choose the wrong turn where the pathways to good and evil separate. *F.* lazy indifference is almost certain to lead on to the downward way. It was so in Birchall's case. From that time onward he went from bad to worse. Once more his tragic fate gives emphasis to the danger of evil companionship. The jovial, good-natured, careless, impulsive boy will always find the admiration and encouragement that is highly injurious When in his twentieth year he went as a nominal student to Oxford, he naturally took to the reckless set whose chief object is revelry and roystering. He was evidently oblivious of any high purpose in life, and he plunged into wild and reprehensible extravagance, which, had he possessed the means, was in itself utterly foolish. Not having the money to spend on the follies in which he delighted his course was simply criminal. The one golden opportunity of his life, that of availing himself of the advantages that study at Oxford would afford, was insanely thrown away. His wild career at that venerable seat of learning was cut short by ignominious expulsion. From that time onward his course was that of a characterless, adventurous trickster.

The sacredness of truth in itself essentially right and indispensable to upright character was wholly wanting in Birchall. Lying was to him a pastime in which he gloried. The habit remained with him, and when he realized the consequences of the crime for which he suffered, he endeavoured, with a degree of clumsiness unlooked for in the case of an expert, to evade condemnation by a series of falsehoods that only revealed the desperation to which he was reduced. He was not hanged for lying, but if he had had that horror of falsehood that belongs to a manly nature he would not have yielded to the temptations to which he so easily fell a prey. Falsehood and nobility of nature are entirely incompatible.

One other lesson that comes from the Woodstock scaffold is that it is dangerous as it is degrading to attempt to live by one's wits. Aversion to honest and honourable work ruins many lives. The scheme in which Birchall last engaged is from the nature of the case thoroughly disreputable. The farm pupil business is simply a fraud. Those fitted for agri cultural work need no middlemen whose only object s to obtain money from their dupes. Young Englis amen or others who desire to follow the occupation of farming in Canada have only to engage with a respectable farmer to gain a useful, practical experience, which the money needlessly paid to socalled agents would help them to turn to account for They dress neatly and becomingly while discarding themselves. The Birchall episode has for the pres-ent at least compelled the gentry who lived by the orthodox Russian peasantry, they are cleanly in pupil-farming business to withdraw and seek a livelihood by less discredited methods.

Now that the young life, steeped in folly and crime, has been extinguished on the gallows, Birchall's doings will sink into the oblivion they merit. For a time he has occupied a share of public attention that has been astonishing. His sad career has ended ignominiously and may its evil effects end with it.

RELIGIOUS DISSENT IN RUSSIA.

T has been stated that the Greek Church, the established form of religion in the Russian empire, has become so corrupt, so lifeless and formal, that it has almost ceased to exercise a benefic-

say morbid, interest that the case has excited ial influence of the hearts and 'ives of the people. It may be described as more superstitious than religious. Being the established religion, and as dissent is barely tolerated it is needless to add that it is largely employed as an adjunct of the State machinery, and at present it is used more than ever before as an instrument for crushing out if possible some of the discontent so rife throughout the Russian empire. Every means is employed to retain the people within the fold of the Greek Church, and every device resorted to to prevent those desirous of doing so from leaving its feld. Notwithstanding the many advantages on the side of the Greek Church in Russia and the many obstacles in the way of dissent, the latter has nevertheless shown a measure of vitality that is under the circumstances remarkable. The largest body of Russian dissenters are the Stundists, an appellation derived from the German Stunde, used in the sense of set times for the observance of worship.

The Russian Stundists do not belong to a compact Church organization. They have no publicly authorized creed or uniform mode of service. They arc, however, in thorough sympathy with evangelical Christianity. Their antagonism to the Greek Church originated in the failure of that Church to meet their spiritual needs, and the growth within it of superstitious observances. All that the Greek Church has in common with the Roman Catholic Church, such as auricular confession, penance, fasts, prayers for the dead, prayers to the Virgin Mary and to angels and saints, images, relics, etc., they earnestly protest against. They accept the Scrip-tures of the Old and New Testaments as the only rule of faith and practice. They believe that the Scriptures are inspired by the Holy Ghost and they reject the Apocrypha. The prevailing mode of worship among them is simple in the extreme. They are averse to liturgical forms. They retain the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, but in regard to the former they are divided in opinion as to the proper subjects of the ordinance. A large number follow the view of the Baptists and maintain that only adult baptism should be observed, while the others hold that children ough, not to be excluded from the sacrament. The Stundists have no ministry in the sense in which it is understood among us. They have no class set apart specially for the work. They elect presbyters or elders who preside at the religious services and who take the spiritual oversight of the community. These are set apart by the laying on of hands. Russian Stundists have no churches. They hold their meetings in each other's houses, and the services are simple yet fervent. Wooden benches surround the room and in the centre is a table on which are placed a copy of the Scriptures and the hymns used in their worship. The presbyter usually gives the address, but remarks are sometimes made by those present. the selection of presbyters it is stated to be their object to appoint "the most godly men they have. versed in the Scriptures, able in speech, of sound views, leaders of men.'

The great body of the Russian Stundists belong to the humbler class, mostly peasants, though a number of skilled mechanics are found in their ranks. They are suspected of being communistic in their sympathies, which suspicion, however, so far as it has political significance, is not supposed to be well founded. One of their leaders when examined by the authorities regarding his belief, declared that "it is forbidden to touch strong drink; it is forbidden to enrich ourselves at others' expense. We are to help on another-not ourselves." It is only about thirty years since the Stundist movement originated among a German colony settled near the river Bourg. It has spread extensively in the south and west of European Russia, and its adherents number over 100,000. Their profession of faith has evidently an elevating influence over their lives. their habits. It is the object of all to be able to read the Scriptures for themselves. They are progressive in their ideas, and are no longer content to remain in the dull and degraded ways into which so many of the Russian peasants have fallen.

The Russian Government, which of late has been assuming harsher forms of despotism in Church and State, is now subjecting the dissenters from the National Greek Church to greater disabilities than those under which they were formerly placed. In fact in some quarters these harmless people, from whom much good is to be expected, are made the victims of a relentless persecution, a course of procedure as foolish as it is cruel, for persecution has never yet been able to repress a vital religious force,

Books and Magazines.

THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL (Philadelphia: The Cuttis Publishing Co.)-This splendid monthly has deservedly attained to a phenomenal success. Its readers have presented to them in each issue a great variety of valuable, instructive and entertaining material. Its tone is unexceptional.

KNOWLEDGE. (New York : John Alden.)-This is a weekly magazine "devoted to supplying information such as one seeks in his 'cyclopeais,' and fails to find there, because it is not up to date. 'The world moves,' and the most important questions that want answering are of to-day, not of yesterday." It is published at a very cheap vate.

BOOK NEWS. (Philadelphia : John Wanamaker,)-This useful magazine comes every month and tells you all about the new books, gives you pictures from some of them, always has a bit of poetry, and a portrait of some writer in whom you are interested, and, in addition, short reviews of the more conspicuous among the latest publications.

THE CANADA EDUCATIONAL MONTHLY. (Toronto : Canada Educational Monthly Publishing Co.)-The November number introduces an interesting part of Sir Daniel Wilson's convocation address. It is followed by the first instalment of a paper on "Art in Literature," by A. H. Morrison-an able and excellent criticism. There are several other contributions of marked ability all bearing directly on some important phase of educational work.

THE PULPIT. (Buffalo : The Lakeside Publishing Co.)-Among other matter it contains sermons by Rev. Dr. Taylor on "The Fertilizing River;" Rev. G. J. Burchett on "Moral Obligations not Diminished by Incorrect Views of Christ;" Rev. W. M. Statham on "Mutual Beneulction ; Rev. Alexander McLaren on "Christ's Plane of Life: " Rev. Dr. Mellor on " Guarding the Faith ; " Rev. Prof. Johnson on "A Psalm of Exile ;" Rev. M. Brokenshire on Signs and Their Significance."

THE ARENA. (Boston: The Arena Publishing Co.)-The Arena for November true to its purpose gives place in its pages to discussions of popular, scientific, social and religious questions from various standpoints. There is a paper on "The Future of the American Drama," by the late Dion Boucicault. Dr. Cyrus Bartol writes on "Sex in Mind." There is a variety of contributions on social and religious and literary subjects, and a symposium on " Destitution in Boston," to which Edward Everett Hale, Rabbi Schindler, Rev. O. P. Gifford and Rev. W. D. Bliss contribute.

KNOX COLLEGE MONTHLY. (Toronto : D. T. McAinsh.)-The opening paper, carefully written and full of accurate scientific information, is by Prof. J. F. Hoyes Panton, M.A., F.G.S., on "The Vellowstone Park.' The Rev. D. M. Ramsay, B.D., discusses "Weiss' Theory of the Gospels." Dr. Thompson, of Sarnia, contributes an able paper on "The Miracles of our Lord," based on Professor Laidlaw's recent work. Other papers are " Men for Frontier Service," by 5. Robertson, missionary superintendent in the North-West ; "Longfellow's Shorter Poems," by Jessie Cameron ; and "John Henry Newman as a Writer."

THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT STUDENT. (Hariford, Cont.: The Student Publishing Co.)-The prominent papers in the November number are: "Zephaniah," by Professor Terry, D.D.; "A Plan for the Study of the Book of Acts," by Professor G. B. Stevens, D.D.; "The Prophecy Concerning Immanuel," by Pro-fessor E. L. Curtis ; "Expository Preaching," by Professor Franklin W. Fisk, D.D.; "Contentment and Fellowship: or, Paul's Teaching Regarding Property," by Rev. Edward T. Root. "The Life and Times of Christ" is continued, and there is a symposium "On Some Great Bible Questions, Especially Inspiration," to which a number of prominent divines contribute.

THE ENGLISH ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE. (New York : Mac-Millan & Co.)-The November number of this popular magazine is very attractive. The papers are interesting and the illustrations are numerous and finely finished. The opening paper by I Sne is on "Winchester College." Mrs. Jeune contributes "Children's Happy evenings." "A Holiday in South Africa," by Mr. Kelly affords scope for excellent descriptive writing. Professor Percy F. Franklin writes learnedly and interestingly on "Microscopic Labourers and How They Serve Us." "A Royal Surgical Nurse," a short story "Sonia," and F. Marion Crawford's new serial "The Witch of Prague" are interesting features of the number.

THE PRESEVTERIAN COLLEGE JOURNAL. (Montreal.)-The first number of the new volume of this fine academic monthly is fully up to the best of its predecessors. The opening paper is a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Watson, of Huntingdon, on "The Gospel Free and Effectual." The symposium on "The Westminster Confession" Effectual." has Principal MacVicar for sole contributor, but then he is a host in himself. Prof. Scrimger, during his recent European pilgrimage, picked up "a genuine papal bull issued from the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore at Rome, by Clement XIII., in the third year of his pontificate, A.D. 1761," of which he interestingly writes. Mr. Frew details his journey "To British Columbia." Another very attractive paper in this number is Prof. Campbell's thoughtfu! inaugural lecture on "The Personal Revelation."

THE MISSIONARY REVIEW OF THE WORLD. (New York: Funk & Wagnalls; Toronto: William Briggs.)-The number for November opens with a strong article by Secretary Dr. Ellinwood on the "Duty of Christendom to the Jews." Dr. A. T. Pierson follows with a powerful paper on "The Wonderful Story of Madagascar." Dr. Pi'zer, of Washington, shows that God allots the inheritances of nations. The article on the Congo missions by Mr. Laffin and Miss Clack is fresh, reliable and full. The shorter papers are full of interest, and the translations from foreign missionary magazines highly instructive. The Intelligence and Correspondence Departments are full of good reading. Dr. George F. Herrick gives a graphic paper in the International Section on "The Turkish Empire." Dr. Ellinwood treats of Brazil and South American missions in the Monthly Concert with a thorough knowledge of the subject. Annual reports of more than a dozen missionary societies, and a monthly bulletin of latest news from the entire mission field, rounds out a number that cannot fail to interest, inform and inspire the friends of missions everywhere.

Choice Literature.

HE THOUGHT IT EARNEST.

(Concluded.)

"Horrors !" Dauforth broke out, in spite of himself. "What horrors? You see, since my 'season' was post-poned last year on account of my aunt's death, it hardly matters; and it even might be more fitting to take the initiative plunge in London.'

"This is my sentence," shuddered Danforth. "You are going there, where there is all the toggery of estates, and swarms of stags, and long family picture galleries; and any chance I might have had is flown while you speak 1"

"Is not that a hypothetical impossibility?" she laughed. " A thing that perhaps does not exist at all can hardly fly !" She threw back her head and whistled to the mocking bird. "For goodness' sake, be serious, Winifred 1" he cried.

Her eyes fell to his face at the sound of his agonized voice, and she grew sombre ; an unwonted change that fairly startled Her glance distinctly implored him to leave the theme him. of his love for her once for all. But before she spoke he was kneeling beside her, begging and commanding alternately, determined to overcome all objections to his offer, logically or otherwise.

She drew back, and looked at him in slightly scowling amazement.

"Be reasonable, Mr. Danforth," she faltered. "I must insist upon being believed ; I cannot love you. You know that 1 never encouraged you."

Why should you encourage a man who adores you from the first?"

"Did you expect me to ask you not to call? Think it over, and get the better of it, by yourself. I will not hear any more concerning that wonderful heart of yours !" "And I will not take a refusal !" he declared eagerly.

Winifred's eyes flashed at the boast ; but she checked the

words about to rise to her lips, "I mean what I say," she replied. "But I will not say all I might. I will not retaliate a bit for the annoyance you have given me." "You do not mean this," he persisted, desperately. "I

shall surely win you !"

To this she answered, suddenly rising in spite of his grasp of her hand : "Ah! I have something to show you."

She brought a purple velvet oval case, with a heavy gold clasp, which she opened by a touch. She held the case out to him, and he saw that it contained the photograph of a

handsome young man.

Danforth shook his head. "You only want to try me," he exclaimed. "I am as good every way as he is, and I love you as no one else can ! I know you are merely playing with me, Wnifred !"

She raised the picture close to her face, blushed, and then quickly kissed it. She turned back to the Rose parlour. Danforth bore the torture in silence; and the girl, standing beside the centre-table, laden with pink and white roses, moved very sofily as she caressed them. A day or two afterward Danforth and Stanton met at one

of the clubs. They were each profoundly surprised to see the other looking hopelessly indifferent. Stanton was gray of cheek, and Danforth looked taller.

"I say," remarked a busybody, "you two fellows make it December. Why don't you bow to each other gladly?"

Someone else beside the man he addressed always answered Moffat's personalities. So, in a moment, Powell, who was big and young, but looked dyed, and who was not sensitive, said :--"Our *cn/ant terrible* is at it again. Moffie, don't you

know that those poor wights are neck and neck in a race for Miss Warely's hand?"

Danforth looked hard at Stanton, and remarked, in a withering manner :--" Is it not strange that Stanton should be so incommunica-

tive respecting his success in that race? Stanton turned to Danforth.

"Success?" he queried, with a gaze of genuine astonish-

ment. Upon this Danforth reflected, and then approached his

They withdrew from the others. But Danforth was so jealous that he divulged very little as face of his miseries.

to the cause of his bewilderment. "I have excellent reason," he began, with an effort, "for thinking that Miss Winifred Warely cares more about you

than about anyone else." "Did she say so?" Stanton doggedly enquired.

" Not exactly."

"What grounds have you, then-

"Weil, I shan't tell you," the other interrupted, quarrel-mely. "Of course I am sure enough (and it is all I need to somely. think of) that she does not care for me.

" I will reciprocate your frankness," sighed Stanton, appar-ently eating his cigar. " She does not care for me, either ;

and I am as miserable as-possible !" "It is mighty hard to believe you," confessed Danforth, eving his companion in an amused way. " Do you mean to go to London ?"

" What ?"

"She is going. By the by," Danforth ejaculated, "don't you wish we had the faculty of falling in love with one of those nice plain girls."

"You need-we both need-to recover self-respect !" "The Stanton returned. "We are looking and talking and shall scolded. soon behave, like fools."

They dragged themselves to the door of the club speech-lessly, and parted frigidly.

Early the next afternoon Stanton made up his mind to pursue his courtship with as much courage as if he had not been cruelly snubbed. There might be something in the strange opinion Danforth entertained about Winifred's really caring for him. As he entered the square hall of the Warely's house, Winifred's younger sister (a lame girl of fifteen) happeaed to meet him. She carried a crystal bowl of delicate white roses.

"Ab, Mr. Stanton?"

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"Good-day, Aimće 1" he replied, cheerily, thorough assuming his part of gay, confident wooer.

"You're early, begging your pardon," she went on ; "and catch me putting the last vase into Winifred's parlour. Don't you want to see how pretty it looks? I take care of the flowers for it was my idea in the first place to have them on one of her birthdays."

Aimée was of the company of sweet and charming lame girls, and had been well named. She was limping over to the room while she spoke, and Stanton followed her, quaking.

"What? Can I come into her Rose parlour?" he said. " I have heard about it as a delightful spot, reserved for the gods."

She set down the bowl of flowers and faced him, looking up with a noiseless laugh. "You have not been in this parlour for a long time," she

mischievously replied. "Two weeks !"

" Oh, now you are guying me, that I may be still weaker in spirit for my battle with your sister 1" Stanton expostulated, looking at Aimće reproachfully.

What have you called about ? Your words are alarming," the young girl replied. "To ask her to marry me," was his terse confession.

" Just the old request, made a few days ago with disastrous results."

She shrugged her shoulders and laughed airily. "One has to be rather quick and penetrating with Wini-fred," she remarked. "Aren't the roses exquisite ! I would give you a bud, but it would be likely to make my sister captious; she sometimes so relishes being captious, and heading the way one don't want her to go." "Aimée, tell me; you have seen my adoration this sum-

mer, and have been a good friend all along ; do you think I have any chance?"

She was about to reply when a servant brought word that Winifred would see him.

He was ushered into the great drawing-room where he had last expostulated with the beauty.

She sat tying a large peach-blow ribbon at the neck of her silvery skye-terrier. She nodded pleasantly, but her hands

were too much occupied for her to extend one of them. "Pray sit down," said she. "You have come in time to admire Ravel. He has a new trick. He can take medicine with docility, finding the bottle and spoon, and bringing them to me! Keep very still and I will show you."

"I have heard you are thinking of going to London this

winter," he returned, scorning to look at the dog. "You speak as if it would be madness. We only want to do what will be most amusing," she retorted. "One would fancy that the society devoted to you here

would be enough. Do please have your 'coming out' ball in your own land," cried Stanton.

"What can my country care?" laughed Winifred. "You are to be one of its brightest triumphs," he announced.

"You will see what your country will think and say." "When I am in some foreign castle?" she threw back, letting Acrobat Ravel drop to the floor, and fingering the châtelaine which dangled in a cascade of filigree at her side. "As my wife."

Her shell-pink fingers trembled on the chatelaine; but she did not look up.

" In more senses than one, where is your title entitling you to my hand?" asked she.

Stanton started angrily. "What a heartless answer," he

declared. "Oh, come, rather than be personal, let us amuse our-selves with the dog," she laughed. "He is very good sport." "I hate and detest Ravel, and may break his neck," Stan-

ton warmly replied. "As they say you broke our Louis Quinze chair?" Winifred slyly reminded him.

"Won't you at least tell me that your decision as to my offer is not irrevocably made. This is a graver and deeper matter with me than you seem to believe. Won't you tell me that you are in doubt as to whether you can love me or not?"

She blushed and looked angry. "Of course, my mind is made up about a matter which concerns me so much !" she cried. She calmed down in a " You lords of creation moment to her frolicksome manner. poke fun at a woman's easily changing her mind : yet you are obliged to use all your skill to make her do it."

rival, saying, in a low voice :---"Won't you give me a word, privately, about a matter which puzzles me?" Stanton leaned his forehead on his hand, and beat the car-pet with the tortoise-shell cane with which Winifred had been training the terrier. He looked as if, after a little further delay, he intended to give up the struggle for existence, in the

"I know I'm utterly unreasonable to ask you to take any one at your first step into life," he admitted. "Perhaps you better tell me you don't love me, in bald terms ; it may restore

"Well-that can't be done at this moment," she rejoined, "Well-that can't be done at this moment," she rejoined, "Well-that can't be done at this covertly. Then she rose hesitating, and looking at him covertly. Then she rose impatiently, and boxed Ravel's ears for sitting on a plush sofa

Stanton went to her side, still with a weary air, and stood there. "Winifred 1"

"Poor, vexed soul !" she mocked ; and all at once declaimed :-

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Why dost thou haunt me?

Stanton was boiling with rage; but he cried :-

"To ask you if you hate me 1" "Yes, yes, yes," scoffed Winifred, recklessly.

"Then from this hour you will never see me !" Stanton

Winifred was not distressed, and, with a brilliant stare, retorted :---"Rubbish !"

He dashed out of the room. Looking at him from the threshold of the Rose parlour, as he rushed toward the front door, was Aimée. "Mr. Stanton !" she called.

He faintly answered that he could not stop. But you must," she returned, "I have something very

particular to say to you." He besitated, was "lost " and joined her ; and she took him by the hand and led him into the parlour. When there

she picked up the purple case beside the white roses on the centre-table, touched the spring on the clasp, and observed:-"The photograph you sent me-Winifred kidnapped it,

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and enshrined it in this way." Stanton gave one glance at the picture and disappeared. Bursting into the drawing-room, he found what he supposed to be a gray crepe and white lace curtain carelessly tossed upon the sofa ; but it was really Winifred with Ravel's nose anxiously at her ear. She was crying. Hearing Stanton she started upright.

"What in the world has happened?" she sobbed. He looked radiant, and almost laughed as he exclaimed:----

"Aimce showed me the photograph? She became motionless, even to her tears.

"Then Aimve is nearly as provoking as you are !" she pouted.

"Never mind-I am wild with delight, if provoking 1 Now, why could not you let me find out that you loved me ages ago ?" objected Stanton, who was none of those dainty people satisfied with success alone, and was not inclined to permit nonsense, even from a paragon,

Winifred turned her face away, much injured. "I was in love with the photograph 1" she averred, quite excluding him.

He laughed, and sat down beside her unasked. "You wanted to see me 'wholly in earnest," she complained, apparently in high dudgeon; but Stanton had grown wondrous wise and did not care. "And here you've been tak-ing all I have said for earnest. I never saw such a self-con-tradictory being as you are ! Weren't you ever teased before I dawned upon you, and do you think you can grow out of being a goose?"

She received only admiring glances in exchange for her attacks.

"Mamma will put a stop to it all," she tauntingly threatened. "She wants me to stir up both hemispheres, and end with a pat from Queen Victoria !" She looked at him, dimpling. "You have such a fearful temper, haven't you ?" she added. "Yes, more or less," he at last found voice to say; "but what I am does not interest me so much as what you are.

You will find my temper toward you nothing alarming. You

-" what Stanton said further would sound too flattering to any one who had never known Winifred Warely !- Rose Haw-

DEEP SEA RESEARCHES.

for six weeks in the steamship Pola, under the command

of Captain Mörk. Among the staff were Joseph Lukech for physical research, Dr. Natterer for chemical, and Pro-

fessors Grobben and Dr. Marenzeller for the geological

section. The part of the sea selected for operation was

the Sicilian-Ionian, as far as the coast of Tripoli, the Pola

leaving Corfu on the 14th of August and returning to the

same place on 13th September. In a distance of 1,707

sea miles 47 larger observing stations were visited, at each

of which the depth of water was sounded, the temperature

of the surface and of the ground water taken, and samples

of water from the middle strata tested, as to the specific

gravity, proportion of salt, analyses of gases, and easily

decomposed organic substances. By means of photographic apparatus some interesting results were also obtained res-

pecting the colours of the sea. The 42 soundings taken

gave a maximum depth of 3,700 mètres, and it has been

established that the part of deepest depression in the Ionian

Sea does not lie, as has been hitherto believed, in the

direction of east to west, but of north to south. Besides

this, an increase of temperature was noticed towards the

east, and the proportion of salts is very different in the

A DOCTOR'S CONFESSION.

medicine is a humbug and has been from the time of Hippo-

crates to the present. Why the biggest crank in the Indian tribes is the medicine man."

tribes is the medicine man." "Very frank was the admission, especially so when it came from one of the biggest young physicians of the city, one whose practice is among the thousands, though he has been graduated but a few years," says the Buffalo Courier. "Very cosy was his office, too, with its cheerful grate fire, its Queen Anne fursiture and its many lounges and easy-chairs. He stirred the fire lazily, lighted a fresh cigar, and

"Take the prescriptions faid down in the books and what do you find? Poison's mainly, and nauseating stuffs that would make a healthy man in invalid. Why in the world science should go to poisons for its remedies ' cannot tell, nor can I find any one who can."

"How does a doctor know the effect of his medicine ?" he asked. "He calls, prescribes, and goes away. The only way to judge would be to stand over the bed and watch the

patient. This cannot be done. So, really, I don't know how he is to tell what good or hurt he does. Sometime ago, you

remember, the Boston Globe sent out a reporter with a stated

set of symptoms. He went to eleven prominent physicians and brought back eleven different prescriptions. This just

nature provides positive remedies. They may not be included in the regular physician's list, perhaps, because of the sim-plicity, but the evidence of their curative power is b.yond

dispute. Kidney disease is cured by Warner's Safe Cure, a strictly herbal remedy. Thousands of persons, every year, write as does H. J. Gardiner, of Pontiac, R.I., August 7,

1890 :---"A few years ago I suffered more than probably ever will bid ow and liver complaint.

be known outside of myself, with kidney and liver complaint.

It is the old story—I visited doctor after doctor, but to no avail. I was at Newport, and Dr. Blackman recommended Warner's Safe Cure. I commenced the use of it, and found relief immediately. Altogether I took three bottles, and I truthfully state that it cured me."

There are local diseases of various characters for which

shows how much science there is in medicine."

went on."

"Humbug? Of course it is. The so-called science of

Eastern Mediterranean from that in the Western.

The Austrian journal, the Reichswehr, gives an account of the Austrian deep-sea expedition, which was undertaken

thorne Lathrop, in the Independent.

FULFILMENT.

Twice hath the winter sallied from his lair In seeming triumph, and as quick retired Into the north again. So things desired, And loved, still linger in St. Martin's care. The flowers have vanished, and the woods are bare; But, all around, stray forms, by autumn fired, Still glow like flowers; and many a thought, inspired By summer, yet is fit for later wear. Fit and unfit—since nought consists with Time ! For 'twixt this being and what is to be (Brief space where even pleasure holds his breath) All's incomplete. Life's but a faulty rhyme Conned half-contentedly o'er land and sea, Till cometh the divine creator—Death !

-C. Mair, in The Week.

HOW SUICIDES ARE MADE.

It is commonly believed that the tendency to suicide, like the tendency to madness, runs in families, and that is no doubt true. But the strongest-minded and clearestheaded man in the world has the possibility of suicide in him. On the other hand, the disposition to madness and suicide, which is so decided a characteristic of some families, is, in many cases, easily to be kept at bay by resolution and intelligence on the part of particular individuals. So that, in most cases, if the story of a suicide be read from the very beginning, the full responsibility must be placed on the victim himself. In our own time the pressure of highly civilized environment urges men in the direction of brain weariness and so of disgust with life. But it is to be borne in mind that no man is compelled to enter into the keenest competition of his age. The brain is fairly mature before the age of twenty-five; and before that age few educated men are married, and fewer still are irrevocably committed to a particular calling or way of life. A young man of average intelligence is then quite able to judge his own intellectual force and staying power, and he is also able to take into consideration the history of his family and his inherited tendencies. It is incumbent upon him at that stage to take stock of his mental and physical resources exactly as he takes stock of his capital. If his available money amount to no more than one or two thousand pounds he would consider himself a madman were he to embark in a business requiring a capital of half a million. But is he not just as much a madman if, with a mind of merely average powers, he enters upon a line of life requiring an intellect of the strongest and clearest order and mental endurance of the most persistent kind? A young man acting thus invites brain worry, invites chronic dyspepsia, invites sleepless. ness; throws the door wide open for the entrance of all the physiological foes that destroy health and drive sanity out of the home.—The Hospital.

TORONTO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC.

The interest shown by the pupils and their friends in the students' recitals, given on Saturday afternoons in the lecture-room of the Y.M.C.A. building, is well maintained this year. All have been well attended, and the recital on Saturday last was no exception to the rule. The various items on the programme, which we give underneath in full, were rendered in a very intelligent and careful manner: Piano—"Nel cor Piu" (variations), Beethoven—Miss Clara Rolph. Piano—Sonata, A minor (first movement), Mozart—Miss Bella Geddes. Vocal—"Go and Forget," Adams—Miss Lizzie Wallace. Piano—"Spinnerlied," Mendelsohn—Miss Mamie J. Hogg. Vocal—"The New Kingdom," Tours—Miss Kate Elder. Piano—Sonata, F major (last movement), Mozart—Miss Edith McLean. Piano—"Wiegenlied," Op. 16, No. 2, Rubinstein—Miss Florence Moore. Vocal—"Three Wishes," Pinsuti—Mr. John Heslop. Piano—Sonata, Op. 27, No. 2 (last movement, presto agitato), Beethoven—Miss Julia McBrien.

LADIES, MAKE THE EXPERIMENT.

Men and women who refuse to try new ideas or new articles virtually combine to make the world stand still, and check the advancement of those things which conduce to happiness, comfort and the getting of more into an ordinary Sweeping improvements-such as the telegraph, steam, life electricity-push themselves in at all odds ; and, although it may not be suspected, a household article is doing the very sume by its judicious, convincing, argumentative advertising. We refer to Pearline—the very name is becoming a household word, which means cleanliness with ease and comfort. We would suggest to those of our readers who do not use Pearline to make an experiment with it. Surely such rapid growth as it is enjoying must be due to merit, and yet it is old enough to have been buried out of sight long since did it not continue to please and satisfy those who use it. It claims much by way of reducing drudgery and saving of wear and tear, and if it fulfils its promises, the more it claims the better ; and the sooner you know all about it, the sooner you will share in the benefits afforded by a purely scientific household article.

IF YOUR HOUSE IS ON FIRE

You put water on the burning timbers, not on the smoke. And if you have catarrh you should attack the disease in the blood, not in your nose. Remove the impure cause, and the local effect subsides. To do this, take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, which radically and permanently curse catarrh. It also strengthens the nerves. He sure to get only Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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JEWISH MISSIONS.

In a paper in the current number of the Missionary Review Dr. Ellinwood says: It must be confessed that the Christian Church at large has seemed to be apathetic in regard to Jewish missions, but it has been rather the apathy of despair than of indifference. There has been too great a readiness to " turn unto the Gentiles " and to consider the engrafted " wild olive " the real tree. At the London Missionary Conference of 1888, Mr. James E. Mathieson quoted the late Dr. Schwartz as saying : "You Gentile Christians take all the sweet promises to yourselves, but you leave all the curses to the poor Jews." And in continuing, Mr. Mathieson alluded to a custom of the Scotch ecclesiastical bodies of rising at the close of their sessions (though they usually sit in prayer), and singing with marked solemnity : " Pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee," etc. "But they do not mean Jerusalem," he added, "and they do not mean the Jews: they mean the Established Church and the Free Church of Scotland." Is not this something like "robbery for burnt offering?"

But, however, the Church, as a whole, may have neglected her duty, there have always been those who have God's chosen people in their hearts. Count Zinzendoof, the founder of the Moravian Missions, took a warm interest in the Jews, and he had the great joy, in 1735, of seeing a prominent Jewish rabbi become a member of the Moravian Church, and a successful missionary among his people. "Everywhere," says Dr. Fleming, Secretary of the London Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, "he won the esteem of the Jews, and not long since a gift was sent to the Moravian Church at Herrnhut by a Jewish family who cherished the traditions of blessing through Rabbi Lieberkühn."

The London Society, above named, has been at work for over eighty years. Nor is it alone. There are altogether eight Jewish missionary societies in England, five in Scotland, and one in Ireland. Together these employ 312 agents. On the Continent of Europe, the societies number twenty-seven. America has seven, with thirty-four agents. Thus forty-eight societies with 377 agents are striving to win God's ancient people to their own Messiah. That their labours have not been wholly in vain is shown by the estimated fact that 100,-000 Jews have been baptized in the last seventy-five years, and that with their children the number of believers may be set down at 250,000. Among these have been many distinguished men.

Though these numbers are not relatively great, yet it is believed that the breaking down on both sides of an unrelenting prejudice has been a far greater result and one which opens the way for blessed in-gatherings in the time to come

There are certainly some valid grounds of hope for the Jews, even aside from the Divine promises. They are less tenacious of their old faith than they were formerly. Though still more or less clannish, yet they are more than ever disposed to break down barriers and be like other people. Taey are getting tired of the real or imagined stigma and reproach attached to their name. Each successive generation cares less for the old shibboleths and more for the privileges of social life without distinction of race.

It is seen that the prophetic situation is awkard. If the Messiah has come, who, and what was He? If He has not come, when will He appear? If sacrifice symbolized a promised Redeemer why is it not kept up? Why is the Moslem permitted to hold, century after century, the only place of sacrifice, unless to show that its meaning is done away and its necessity gone? Perhaps it is in despair over such questions as these that multitudes of Jews are driven to Agnosticism.

More and more Jews observe our Sabbath as a day of rest, and their Sabbath schools inevitably tend toward Christian ways. It is well nigh impossible to prevent their children from coming into sympathy with the Christian institutions and customs which prevail around them.

Two or three years ago a liberal-minded and philanthropic Jew in Italy offered an immense sum of money to be devoted to the education of children in Russia, and recommended that Jews and Christians be educated together. His idea was that the race distinction should be ignored, and that the young of his people should be allowed to become absorbed in the national life whenever they might be, and that gradually the distinction between Jew and Gentile should disappear. It may be that social absorption, intermarriage, the assimilating influence of the common school, the fading out of the Jewish pride and prejudice of race are to be factors in God's plan of recovery. Doubtless, they will have a part to act, but God's express will is that the Gospel shall be faithfully preached meanwhile, and that prayer be offered for His people.

Surely the Christian Church owes it to itself to present no higher consideration to promote the spiritual enlightenment of the Jews. We ourselves need this effort, if only to remind us continually how much we owe to the rate that gave us the Saviour of mankind—if only to keep freich in memory the great missionary whom the Jewish race gave as the Apostle to us Gentiles. Our indebtedness for the Chief of the apostles will never be paid. The Gentile world, with its Christian institutions, is a monument of the great fact that it is possible to overcome the most inveterate Jewish prejudice, and to win the stoutest Pharisaic heart to Christ. If Paul could be converted and could convert thousands of others of his own taith, the Christian Church has no right to despair. Jewish synagogues were the first cradles of the nascent Church in all lands. They opened their doors to the apostles for the planting of the first greens of truth, and Jewish converts everywhere gave character and speadiness to the ignorant Gentile Church.

But, how shall the Jews of our time be reached ? The London Society, as the result of eighty years of experience, answers this question under the following heads : By striving to win their confidence by removing prejudice. Never speak sneeringly or disparaging of them ; overcome the habit in ourselves and others. Manifest sympathy with them as a nation and as individuals. Win confidence by medical missions. By preaching the Gospel as the apostles preached it-proving from their own Scriptures that Christ is the promised Messiah. By encouraging a diligent, candid, and prayerful study of the whole Bible-the Old and the New Testament in their connection. By educating Jewish children. In a school supported by the Society, in Palestine Place, London, where 595 Jewish boys have been educated, the master, after twentyeight years of service, does not know of one pupil, who, after pursuing a full course, has relapsed into Judaism. By assisting poor Jewish youth to obtain positions and encouraging them in seeking a subsistence. By training promising young men as missionaries. It should not be forgotten, as an encouragement, that the Jews are worshippers of our God, have a large portion of our Bible, are sharers of our civilization, speak our language, and are-or ought to be-our friends as well as neighbours, and are even before us, heirs of the covenant of promise !

AFRICA.

Letters from the *r*-issionaries in Uganda say that King Mwanga has been almost wholly stripped of the despotic power which he and his fathers for centuries have exercised. He is now of little importance in his own country—white influences are in ascendancy. The king can get nothing that he does not ask for from his chiefs, who are under the control of the Protestant or Catholic religion. This is a great change for the young king, who awhile ago killed a bishop, imprisoned white missionaries, and slaughtered native Christians by the score. No heathen are allowed to hold any office in the new Government. Many of them are permitted to remain in the land, but there is not a chief among them. The great offices, of which there are about six very important ones, have been equally divided between the two Christian parties.

There has been great danger of serious clashing between the Protestant and Catholic sects. By the advice of both Catholic and Protestant missionaries they have, however, decided to bury their differences and work together for the good of the country. There is still considerable bad feeling and jealousy, but there seems to be no prospect now of the open rupture that recently threatened. The parties have taken an oath, signed by their leaders, agreeing that whatever their disputes may be they will not spill one another's blood, but will depend upon sober arguments and arbitration to settle all their quarrels.

The Mohammedan party seems to be entirely defeated. Thus a remarkable change has been wrought in Uganda, where a while ago the Mohammedans ruled everything, and by their influence upon Mwanga and his successor, Karema, drove the whites out of the country and threadened to retard the progress of white enterprises and of all civilization in Central Africa for half a century to come. Now the Mohammedans have been driven from power in a series of bloody battles, their influence is entirely gone and the Arabs are fugitives, Uganda is a British protectorate, and the white missionaries, recently persecuted, are the power in the country. Never before was the prospect so bright for the rapid extension of European influence and commercial enterprise in the African lake region.

The importance of Zanzibar, as a key to Central Africa, was recognized early in the era of exploration. What New York is to the United States, what Liverpool is to Great Britain, Zanzibar is to Equatorial Africa. In his first expedition Stanley made it the base of operations, and he went there again, in 1879, to organize his second expedition. It lies on .he east coast of Africa, seven degrees south of the equator. Its chief markets and the seat of the Government are on the island of Zanzibar, but the adjacent country on the mainland is also under the Sultan's dominion, and is also called Zanzibar. It is at this point that the caravans from the interior strike the coast, and from there the explorers, Burton, Grant, Stanley, Cameron and others, hired their carriers and set out on their expeditions, and to that place they returned, and came once more into communication with civilization. It was Stanley's first business, in organizing the Congo Free State, to establish a chain of stations extending from Zanzibar to Nyangwe and the lakes. Under the new arrangement with Germany and England, the latter country has acquired the right of "protecting" the Sultan of Zanzibar, which is one of the most valuable concessions granted her by Germany. The history of English rule in India shows how adroit she is in turning the office of protector to her own advantage.

The situation of Zanzibar was not likely to escape the attention of the slave-stealers. Their interests lay in making the road from the villages which they depopulated to the coast as short as possible. On the journey, however short it may be, many of their victims died from fatigue and exposure to the sun. Zanzibar was near, and it was was also convenient. There the dealers came from Europe who had commissions from the Turks and Egyptians to supply them with slaves. There, too, vessels might be chartered to carry away the living booty to other ports. So Zanzibar early because a mart of commerce in the awful traffic. The efforts of Germany and England have largely suppressed this trade in Zanzibar, and under the protectorate of England we may be sure it will not be revived. The markets will now be better occupied by the trade in ivory.

Ministers and Churches.

THR Rev. J. C. Tibb will be inducted as minister of Ruth Street Presbyterian Church, Toronto, tomorrow evening.

THE Rev. R. P. Mackay, Parkdale, in a discourse last Sabbath gave an exposition of the principles of Presbytetianism

THE pulpit of St. James Square Church was occu pied on Sabbath morning last by Professor Thomson, and in the evening by Principal Caven.

THE Rev. Dr. Jackson, of Knox Church, Galt, has issued a little four pare outline of "Studies of the Gospel by Luke." It is clear, comprehensive and brief.

THE Rev. Hugh Johnston, D.D., gave his illustrated lecture on "Scotland" in St. James Square Church lecture-room on the evening of Friday last to a highly appreciative audience.

THE Rev. Dr. Cochrane was announced to conduct the re-opening service in the First Presbyterian Church, Victoria, B.C., and also to lecture the same week on "Burns and Scottish Songs."

THE Rev. Professor Mowat, of Queen's Univer sity, preached two excellent sermons in St. John's Church, Almonte, Salbath week. The Professor, says the *Gazette* of that town, is a very earnest, polished and attractive preacher.

THE next meeting of the Presbyterian Sabbath School Union will be held in S¹. James Square Church on Friday, 21st November, at S o'clock The International Sabbath School Lesson, "Jesus Crucified" will be taught to a class by Mr. R. W. Murray.

LAST Sabbath evening week the Presbyterian church, Collingwood, was packed to its utmost capacity to hear Dr. Campbell lecture on "Purgatory." It created a great deal of talk in town. The Doctor takes little stock in Pargatory.

THE fifth lecture of the course being given in Central Church, Hamilton, school-room was delivered last week by Rev. G. Barnfield, B.D., the subject being, "A Night at Jerusalem." There was a good audience, and the lecture was most interesting. The lecturer described the journey from Joppa to Jerusalem—the country, the roads, means of travel and the people to be met.

THE Presbytery of Quebec has -ustained a great loss by the removal in one day of Revs. A. Lee, of Sherbrooke, D. L. Dewar, of Scotstown, and G. R. Maxwell, of Three Rivers. These congregations are now vacant. Communications regarding these should be addressed to the Rev. A. T Love, B.A., Quebec. Metis will become vacant in December.

THE Ladies' Society in connection with the Presbyterian Church at Johnson's Crossing held a very successful pie social in the hall at that place recently. There was a large attendance, including a number of visitors who drove out from Truro. The sale of pies was liberally patronized. A good literary and musical programme including a short address from Rev. T. Cumming on travels in Palestine was much appreciated.

A VERY successful social was held in the Presby terian church, Barrie, under the auspices of the Mission Band. Mr. Hay occupied the chair, and a pleasing programme, consisting of music by the choir, solos by Misses Dyment and Forsyth, and Mr. Lane, a clarionet solo by Mr. English, a short speech by Rev. Mr. McLeod, and recitation, by Mts. McKeggie, Miss Harper and Mr. Milden, made the evening both pleasant and prolitable.

A CHATHAM contemporary states that at the First Presbyterian Church on the morning of Thanksgiving Day, Mr. Yellowlees, of Toronto, preached an excellent discourse. Mr. Yellowlees is a lay worker. At. St. Andrew's in the evening service was held, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Murphy, of Holy Trinity; Rev. Mr. King, and Rev. Mr. Going, of North Chatham Methodist Church.

A LECTURE was delivered last week in the schoolhouse attached to Si. Andrew's Church. Toronto, by Professor Alexander, of the University, on the subject of "The Chief End of Man." The chair was occupied by Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, who introduced the lecturer to the audience. Professor Alexander, as was expected, treated his hearers to a really fine address. The lecturer was accorded a hearty vote of thanks at the conclusion.

THE Rev. J. R. Johnston, who is about to leave Alvinston, was on the evening of Thanksgiving Day presented with an address expressive of the high appreciation in which he is held by the congregation and the community among whom he so acceptably laboured. The address was accompanied by a h-ndsome gold watch for himself, another for Mrs. Johnston and a purse of money. The presentation was made by Mrs. M. McIntyre. Mr. Johnston made a suitable and affecting response.

A CHRISTIAN Endeavour Society in connection with the Presbyterian Church, Scatorth, organized last March with thirty members, now numbers 204. Boffy-five of these are active members, and two, Rev. A. D. McLonald and D. D. Wilson, honorary members. The money raised by the society during the first six months amounted to over \$50. What was left of this fund after defraying a tew necessary expenses was given to missionary purposes.

THE social under the auspices of Knox Church, Acton, Ladies' Aid came off last week in the town hall, and was well attended. After generous refreshments a very pleasant evening was spent listening to an address on "Our Vleasant Faces." by the Rev. W. Multan, of Fergus, who had exchanged places with Rev. J. W. Rae. Mr. Mullan is always welcome to an Acton audience. His easy, off-hand style always leads up to some idea that is fine and touching. An address from Dr. Gifford and suitable music by the choir added to the evening's pleasure. Mr. D. Henderson occupied the chair in his usual acceptable manner. Proceeds, about \$25.

ARNOT LRISHMAN, the young son of Rev. J. Leishman, of Chester, who was accidentally shoton Thanksgiving Day, is progressing favourably. At a meeting of the united congregations of Angus and New Lowell, where the Rev. Mr. Leishman laboured for some years, Robert Paton, M.P.P., moved, seconded by William Golton, that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Leishman, expressing their warm feeling for the little lad who had been so unfortunate, and praying that he would soon be restored in health to his estimable parents. Many letters of sympathy have been received from ministers throughout the country during the past few days by Mr. and Mrs. Leishman.

THE Plattsburgh, N.Y., *Telegram* of November S, says that the Rev. G. B. Howie, of Palestine, will lecture here on Monday and Tuesday evenings next. He comes among us very highly endorsed as an interesting and instructive speaker by eminent people on both sides of the Atlantic where he has invariably received the most flattering encomiums, having fully sustained the enviable reputation accorded him. All denominations flock to hear him and are equility impressed with his deeply spiritual eloquence and forcible presentation of Bible history and Oriental life. A rare treat is in store for all who may be privileged to listen to this distinguished student of Palestine.

ANNIVERSARY services were recently held inthe Presbyterian Church, Crosshill, and were con ducted by Rev. J. Campbell, M.A., of Listowel. The church was well filled both morning and evening, and the people listened with rapt attention to the excellent addresses given on that occasion. On the Monday evening following the source was held, which was a decided success—the best, in fact, ever held in that church. The speeches and recitations were both amusing and instructive. The music furnished by home talent was very good and well received. Proceeds of the evening were \$85. The chair was filled by the pastor, Rev. W. M. McKibbin, M.A., to the satisfaction of ail prefent.

THE Rev. Mr. Mitchell, of Waterloo, has written to the management of Erskine Church, Hamilton, stating that he would be unable to accept the call to that church, now in course of preparation, and the matter has been dropped. Mr. Mitchell gives as his reason for declining that he has only been with the Waterloo congregation a little over a year, and that it would not be doing justice to his people to leave them now. The congregation at Waterloo has prospered greatly under the reverend gentleman's care, and the people there are deeply attached to their pastor. There will be a congregational meeting at Erskine Church on Wednesday evening to take steps towards securing a pastor and to consider other matters of importance to the congregation.

THE ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Knox Church, Shelburne, held a very successful "Thanksgiving Service" on Tuesday evening, 11th inst. There were selections of music by a choir of the ladies, assisted by the leader of the church choir, Mr. S. Irwin. Mrs. Colwell Graham acted as chairman. Rev. H. T. Mc. Tavish gave a pleasing address on "Missions." The pastor gave a brief history of the Society, and at the request of the president opened the envelopes containing the thank-offerings, read the text of Scipure accompanying, and offered the dedicatory prayer. Rev. D. C. Ho-ssack then followed with a most powerful persuasive missionary address, after which two lalies came forward and joined the Society. Total contributions of the evening amounted to \$20.

THE new Presbyterian Church at Cote St. Gabriel, in the north-west of the county of Terrebonne, in a glen among the Laurentian hills, known as Know Church, is the most northerly Presbyterian Church in the Province of Quebec. The settlers there are chiefly Protestants for the North of Ireland, who went there fifty years ago. The dedication services were conducted recently by the Rev. R. Campbell, D.D., of St. Gabriel Church, Montreal, assisted by the pastor of the Church, Rev. S. McCusker. On the following Tuesday evening the opening services were concluded by a social gathering, which was attended not only by the people of the Church, but also by their friends of neighbouring congregations. Rev. Mr. McCusker occupied the chair, and address-s were delivered by Rev Dr. Campbell, Rev. Mr. Brown, of the Lakefield Metho hst Church, and Rev. Mr. Fynch, of the Methodist Church of Shawbuidge and Morin The building was opened free of debt.

The building was opened nee of deol. The St. Andrew's Church, Windsor, Young People's Literary Society held their first meeting for the season last week. Mr. McGregor. B.A., was elected president, and Miss Butterworth, vicepresident. After thanking the Society for the honour of being selected president, Mr. McGregor read an address on the "Literary Society." The fullowing was the programme: Piano solo, by Miss M. Bartlet; selection by the choir; tecitation by Mr. Goult; solo by Mr. McDonald; selection by the choir; recitation by Mr. Goult; solo by Mr. Mc-Donald and a piano solo by Miss Bartlet. The prospects for the success of the society are very bright. With such an energetic president and indefatigable staff of officers the meeting will no doubt partake of the old-time fervour.

THE ladies of the Presbyterian Church, Hemmingford, Quebec, gave their annual tea-meeting in the town hall recently. A substantial supper was served in the lower hall, and the good things on the table were highly relished by the guests. After supper the company assembled in the large hal', which was completely filled. The pastor, Rev. William Robertson, presided, and introduced the Rev. John Nichols, of St. Mark's Church, Montreal, who delivered a lecture on "Oar Girls." In speaking of the spheres of employment which are now open for women, he said that while in sympathy with the movement, he faced that the women themselves would, in the end, be the sufferers ; inasmuch as many of the positions which they were now filling formerly beloaged to men, and for want of work the men could not afford to marry. He said the question was not now as it used to be : "What shall we do with our girk?" but rather : "What shall we do with our boys?" The lecture was thoroughly practical, with a sich spice of good humour running through it, and elequently delivered. It was appreciated by the audience, and was highly applauded. Several pieces of music were sung in the course of the evening by the congregational choir. The ladies realized \$75, which will be devoted to repairs on the church.

THE missionary re-union of the Brooklin Auxiliary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, held on the evening of Thanksgiving Day, November 6th, in the Presbyterian Church, proved to be a very happy and enthusiastic affair. Liberal friends devised liberal things, and good gifts and a bountiful supper resulted. The church was well filled, and the exercises of the evening ably presided over by William Smith, M. P., of Columbus. Rev. G. C. Patterson, of St. Enoch's, Toronto, fully sustained his reputation as a man of strength, sound doctrine and great usefulness. Rev. J. Abraham, of Whitby, spoke with his usual comprehensiveness, information, and practical helpfulness. We wonder that the great mental whirlpool of Toronto has not drawn him into its vortex—Toronto, the "great Leviathan," that engulfs the needs of country, and town. Rev. J. Harris represented the Missionary Society of the Church of England, Rev. G. Leech that of the Methodist, and addressed the meeting with true Christian courtesy. Hoo. John Dryden spoke with great earnestness of the consecrated lives of missionaries, and made suggestions that we hope to see carried out. The musical part was well sustained by friends from Whitby, Scarboro', Uxbridge and the Church at home. The recitations by Miss E. Murray, of Whitby, were more than well received. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society expressed their thanks through the chairman which were followed by earnest and grateful words from Elder Smith. The choir sang the doxology, closing a delightful evening. Proceeds \$121.85.

PRESEVTERY OF TORON TO .- This Presbytery PRESENTERY OF LOROVIO.—Inis Presentery met on the 4th inst., Rev. W. Frizzell, Moder-ator. An extract minu c of the Presentery of Kingston was read, declining to grant the transla-tion of Rev. Dr. George, of Belleville. And authority was given to Rev. R. P. Mackay to moderate in another call from the congregation of Watt Church when them may be ready for the West Church, when they may be ready for the same. Agreeably to application made, a modera-tion was granted for the congregations of Fair-bank and Fisherville; and Rev. Walter Reid was appointed to preside therein. It was reported by Rev. R. P. Mackay that he had met with the con-gregation of Ruth Street Church and moderated in a call, which was given in favour of Rev. R. C. Tibb, R.A., who has laboured among them for months past. The call was signed by forty-two members and concurred in by twenty seven adherents. Arrangements had been made at the previous ents. Arrangements had been made at the previous meeting in regard to stipend. The call was sus-tained, and put into the hands of Mr. Tibb, when he accepted of it. The Presbytery then agreed to meet for his induction on Thursday, 20th inst., at eight p.m., the Moderator to preside, Rev. J. G. Stuart to preach, Rev. R. P. Mackay to deliver the charge, and Rev. W. A. Hunter to address the congregation. On behalf of the Session and con-gregation of Deer Park, Mr. Joseph Gibson ap-plied for six months' leave of absence to their minister, Rev. G. E. Freeman, whose health has been failing again, as also for the appointment of Rev. W. Burns as Moderator of the Session dur-W. Burns as Moderator of the Session dur-Rev. ing Mr. Freeman's absence. The two applica-tions thus made were cordially granted, with ex-pressions of sympathy toward Mr. Freeman, and earnest prayer for his speedy recovery. A letter was read from Rev. A. H. Drumm, tendering the resignation of his pastoral charge, stating as his reason for so doing that he found himself unable to overtake the work demanded of him. A commit-tee was appointed to confer with him, and after their reporting thereanent Rev. J. Argo was appointed to preach on an early Sabbath to the congregation of Georgetown and Limehouse, and cite them to appear for their interests at next ordinary meeting of Presbytery. It was reported by Rev. R. Glass ford that he and Mr. Steen had met with nineteen members and twenty-six adherents of our Church at Fort Credit, and had organized them as a regular congregation, under the jurisdiction of the Presbytery. The report of the Committee was approved of, and an interim Session was appointed for the new congregation. Schedules of apportion-ments for the Schemes of the Church were severally read and approved of, setting forth the amount of contributions to said schemes which might reasonably he expected from the congregations and mission stations throughout the bounds, and the Clerk was instructed to notify Sessions accord-ingly. Application was made by Rev. J. N.; to be relieved of his appointment as Convener of the Presbytery's Committee on Sabhath Schools. The application was granted, and Rev. J. G. Stu-art was appointed Convener instead. On behalf of a number of ministers and elders, a proposal to hold a conference on Missions, in connection with an early meeting of Presbytery, was brought up for consideration by Rev. Dr. McTavish. The pro-posal met with general acceptance, and after some and after discussion on minor points it was resolved to hold such a conference, both on Home and Foreign Missions, in connection with the meeting of Pres. bytery in December, that an invitation be extended to brethren in other Presbyterics, and that Revs. R. P. Mackay, D. J. Macdonnell, Dr. Parsons, R. P. Mackay, D. J. Macdonnell, Dr. Parsons, Dr. McTavish and McEsts. J. A. Patterson, R. S. Guarlay and J. Milne be appointed a committee to carry out the details and make all necessary preparation. Rev. Dr. Caven submitted and read a resolution, which was duly seconded and agreed to, and redeted to be transmitted to the Honour-able, the Minister of Justice, the terms of which resolution are as follows: The most terrible punishment inflicted by the law is the deprivation of The death penalty, which in the case of life. murder, may be vindicated on grounds of Scripture, shurder, may be vindened on grounds of Scripture, of justice and of the necessary protection of society, should, in all circumstances, he so carried out as to bonone the law and produce the most salutary im-pression in regard to the sacredness of human life.

Nothing can more tend to lessen the moral effect of capital punishment, or indeed is more shocking than to select a person, as has sometimes been done, of hardened and debased character as the instrument of justice in so awfully solemn an act, or to persuade any man to take away the life of another by the inducement of a pecuniary reward. The Presbytery would strongly pronounce against the dishonour done to public justice in connecting any but reputable, recognized public officials with an act which is the supreme vindication of the majesty and authority of the law. The next ordinary meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held on the second Tuesday of December at ten a.m.-R. MONTRATH, Pres. Clerk.

PRESEVTREY OF WHITEY.—This Presbytery met at Bowmanville on October 21, Rev. S. H. Eastman, Moderator. Mr. R. D. Fraser was appointed Clerk pro tem owing to the continued ill-health of Mr. Drummond. The call from Columbus and Brooklin to Mr. G. C. Patterson was set aside, as the Toronto Presbytery declined to grant his translation. A call from Ashburn and Utica in favour of Mr. R. B. Smith was presented and sustained, and provisional arrangements made for his induction on November 18; Mr. Chisholm to preach, Mr. Kippan to address the minister, and Mr. Mc-Meechan the people. The remit on the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund was referred to a committee to consider the same and report at next regular meeting. The remit on the "marriage question" was approved. In response to an appeal made by the Assembly's Committee on Sabbath Observance the following motion was passed: "That sessions be again requested to take action at an early day in regard to the signing of petitions to be presented to the House of Commons urging the passing of an act to secure better Sabbath observance : that the cooperation of the other Churches in the various localities be sought; and that a petition signed by the Moderator and Clerk of Presbytery be also forwarded. An address on Systematic Beneficence presented by Mr. Fraser was adopted and ordered to be printed and circulated in the congregations of the Protest and Appeal by Ms. McLaren and report at next regular meeting of Presbytery. Mr. Allan was appointed to prepare answers to the Reasons of Protest and Appeal by Ms. McLaren and report at next regular meeting of Presbytery. Mr. Allan was appointed to be held in Whitby on the evening of the third Tuesday of January next.—A. A. DRUMMOND, Pres. Clerk.

PRESENTERV OF STRATFORD.—This Presbytery wet in Stratford on the 11th inst., Rev. J. M. Campbell, Moderator. Several items of routine business were disposed of. The following minute aneat the death of Mrs. Thomas McPherson was ordered to be engrossed in the record : The members of Presbytery desire to record their deep sympathy with our venerable father, Rev. Thomas McPherson, in the great affliction through which he has been called to pass, in the loss of his dear wife, who has been the faithful and much reloved partner of his joys and sorrows during their long wedded life. Through her long life she ever manifested a deep interest in all that pertained to the advancement of the Master's kingdom, and especially in the more recent years took an active part in the formation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society within the Presbytery, and faithfully discharged the duties of treasurer so long as her health permitted. The earnest prayer of the brethren is that our heavenly Father who spared them so long to each other, will now, in His lowing kindness, minister comfort and support to our afflicted father in his great bereavement. Mr. Turnbull reported that the call from Knox Church, Stratford, to Kev. Mr. Johnston, of Lindsay, had been declined, and asked for leave to again moderate in a call, which was granted. Mr. McKibbon was instructed to forward copies of lessons in higher religious instruction to the Sunday schools within the



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bounds. Mr. Campbell reported having declared bounds. Mr. Complete reported naving deciared the pulpit of North and South Nissouri vacant. Re-ports on statistics and the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund were presented by the Conveners of these committees. Messrs. Turnbull, Hamilton and D. Stewart were appointed to prepare a resolution anent the regulations of the Aged and Infirm Minis-ters' Fund and report at next meeting. Messre. ters' Fund, and report at next meeting. Messrs, Tully, Henderson, Dickson and Campbell were in-structed to consider the regulations anent the Wid-ows and Orphans' Fund, and report at next meetand Orphan's Fund, and report at next meet-ing. Both these committees were charged with the duty of preparing overtures if they deem it neces-sary. The Presbytery then adjourned, to meet in First Church, St. Mary's, on the third Tuesday of January, 1891, at half-past ten a.m.-A. F. TULLY, Berg. Clurk Pres. Clerk.

PINE HILL COLLEGE OPENING.

The opening proceedings of Pine Hill Theologi-cal College, at Chalmer's Church lately, attracted a large audience, including the students of the insti-tution. The proceedings opened with a Scriptural reading and prayer by Rev. Dr. Forrest and Rev. Allan Simpson, after which Rev. Dr. Pollok, of the college staff, delivered a lecture on "Church Dog-ma and Church Life." Dogma, the lecturer said, referred not only to the theory but the practice of a ma and Church Life." Dogma, the lecturer said, referred not only to the theory but the practice of a religion and the earliest dogmas of the Church re-ferred to practical matters—to Church life, to which he would direct attention. Everywhere were found pulpit Bibles, generally American editions and badly printed, with the Apocrypha right in the cen-tre of them. These are published under influences that are anti-Puritan and anti-Presbyterian, and the confession says the books, not being of divine in-spiration, are of no authority in the Church of God. The confession rather implies that this collection of writings should be read. Another serious abuse is the neglect of the psalter in many Churches. Our fathers, the lecturer said, had all the Psalms printed with plain musical sense and sang them from beginwith plain musical sense and sang them from begin-ning to end. Now the use of Psalms is reduced to a minimum. The directory is full in its requirea minimum. The directory is full in its require-ments in regard to the regular reading of the Scrip-ture, and such reading is explained as worship in the highest sense. All must have observed how much the Word read or preached is counteracted by excessive sermon criticism. A preacher is to get a congregation to thick above themselves, but they thick out how and their observed how a congregation to think above themselves, but they think about him and by their clerical knowledge or ignorance find a verdict by which he is acquitted or condemned. He may bring charges against themselves and they criticize how well or ill he does it. Generally, the greater the impudence in the public, the greater the admiration of the few, espec-ially critics who think they know. Forty years ago a little modesty and no little diffidence were a pass-port to popular favour, but now it was changed. A deadening it fluence in worship is the introduc-tion of elements borrowed from concerts and thea-tres. The lecturer was not opposed to reasonable tres. The lecturer was not opposed to reasonable improvements, as he had more than thirty years ago On Saturday, the 13th of September, at ten o'clock in the morning, John Davidson of the sixth line of Plympton passed quietly away. Deceased was born in the autumn of 1813 in the County of Down, Ireland, and came to Canada in the year 1832. He stayed a year in the neighbourhood of Kingston but came to Plympton in 1833 and set-tled on Lot 11, 6th Concession, where he has lived ever since. In the castly days, in common with advocated the employment of instrumental aid where difficulty was felt in preserving the elements of time, tune, pitch, etc., but not a line should be played without the accompaniment of the human voice, and where instruments are not needed they should not be used. Congregations buy large organs and place them where they have no right to be. A matter of importance in Church life is the use of sacraments. With respect to baptism the teaching of the confession agrees with that of all Reformed Churches. Young people are full members of the Church and ought to be prepared by the Church for the sacrament of Christ's flesh and blood. The responsibility rests with parents, who are re-sponsible to the Church office bearers. Closely Church, Camlachie, and one of the early deacons; he was also ordained an elder many years previous connected with loose notions about the sacraments are opinions as to the ministry, and the lecturer went on to show to what extent they might be carmeetings of Session as well as all congregational meetings. Under the ministry of Mr. McAlister of ried and how the face and form of the churches would be rendered like music halls. The govern-Sarnia, with which Plympton was then united, in order to form a pastoral charge he professed to have been brought to a knowledge of the truth, and forthwith became a communicant. Although a zeal-ous and orthodox Christian, his work did not conment of the Church by Presbyteries is an apostolic institution, but the Church ought to employ all her members. Conference meetings, at which members to be held. The reverend gentleman touched on the subject of ordination, and spoke of the apart-ments added to the college building, and in consist in loud boasting but in consistent working and living for Christ : visiting the widow and fatherless with the full basket, taking in the poor tramp, encluding his able discourse said a greater and fairer view could be obtained beside the sepulchre of tertaining the stranger-mone ever going away from his door hungry. He hore his father's name, was the youngest of four brothers. He was twice mar-ried, first in January, 1846, to Martha Houston, sis-ter of James and Thomas Houston, by whom he had one can be in the dimether the first in con-



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Principal MacKnight, who occupied the chair, then introduced Rev. Mr. Fowler, of the Free Church of Scotland, who made a short address. He congratulated the students on the magnificent ideal situation and surroundings of the college and

on their choice of the ministry. He advised them if they wished to be original, to stick to the Scrip-ture and sink the shaft deep into the mine of truth.

He thought the actions of the students in preaching

during the summer recess was a good one, as it brought them into contact with the people. He urged them to take full advantage of it, and when

they gave a message to do so courageously. Prin-

cipal MacKnight then announced a hymn to be sung, and the meeting dispersed after prayer by

There are up to the present twenty-six theologi-cal students at the institution.

OBITUARY.

THE LATE JOHN DAVIDSON.

ever since. In the early days, in common with many others, he went through all the hardships in-

cident to early settlement, but he seems to have had

more than his share on account of the lot on which he settled being little better than a swamp, which

required not only to be cleared but drained. Mr. Davidson was one of the founders of Knox

to his death and was a regular attendant on all

her of james and inomas flousion, by whom he had one son, his wife dying shortly after his son's birth. In December, 1850, he was again matried, to Rachel Anderson, daughter of John Anderson, Roxboroughshire, Scotland, in whom he found a faithful partner the remainder of his days. He had no children by his second wife. The funeral took place on Monday, September 15th, at 2 p.m. The standard partner the too a standard between the second

attendance, notwithstanding the busy time, was very large and representative. After a short and appro-priate address by the Rev. George MacLennan of Camlachie, the remains were followed to the grave by over seventy well filled carriages. He was

buried in the Presbyterian cemerery at Camlachie in the family plot where lie the remains of his first wife and those of his brother Robert and his wife.

Deceased was seventy-seven at his demise. He leaves a feeble and sorrowing widow, one son, three

grand children and a brother to mourn his loss. In his death Plympton has lost one of its pioneers,

having lived continuously on the one farm for fifty-seven years, and Knox Church, Camlachie, one of

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toria. In the Baptist Churches of Scotland eighty per cent. of the ministers and all the students are ab stainers.

A VOLUME of sermons by the Rev. J. F. Ewing, of Toorak, Melbourne, with a memoir by Prof. Drummond, will be published presently.

THE Rev. Dr. Hately Waddell, Glasgow, preached his farewell sermon recently on retiring from his pastorate on account of advancing years and failing health.

A IRADING Presbyterian organ in Melbourne expresses deep regret that so many of the Churches resort to bazaars and other questionable means of raising money.

DR. A. K. H. BOYD contributes to the Novem ber Blackwood an account of the formulas and history of the "Euchologion," the book of com mon prayer issued by the Church Service Society. Dr. Boyd defends its order.

BRIGHAM YOUNG and seventeen elders from Utah attended a conference in Glasgow recently. It was reported that thirteen Scottish converts hid joined the Mormon Church during the last three months, making the number from Scotland about 200.

DR. JAMES MACGREGOR, of Edinburgh, assures a correspondent that while he has much sym pathy with every movement for improving the church service on strictly Presbyterian lines, he has none with any movement in the direction of Episcopacy.

NR. BAIN, of Duthil, has summoned Abernethy Presbytery before the sheriff, who is asked to order them to order the heritors to put pursuer in pos-session of a habitable manse. The Presbytery, after a heated discussion, agreed to employ an agent to defend them.

THE Rev. John Danlop. of Alyth, was found dead in bed in the manse of Mr. Rose, of Victoria Road Church, Dundee, whom he had been assisting at the communion on the previous day. He was apparently in his usual health when he retired to rest on Sunday night. He was ordained in 1\$66.



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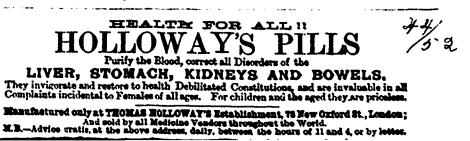


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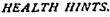
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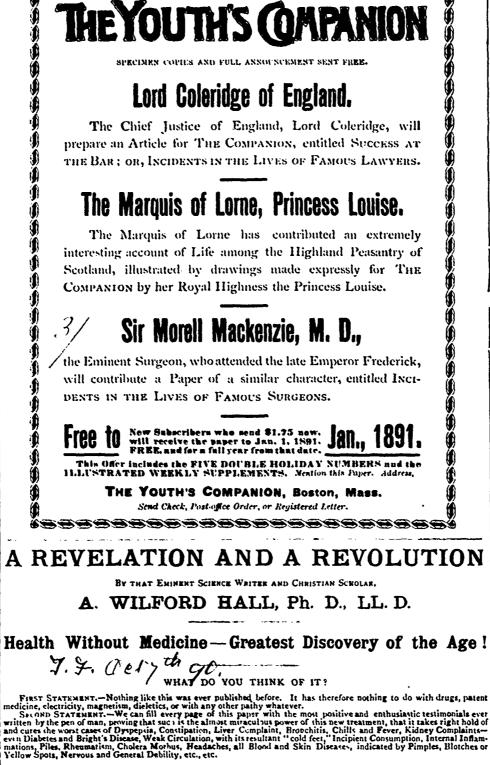
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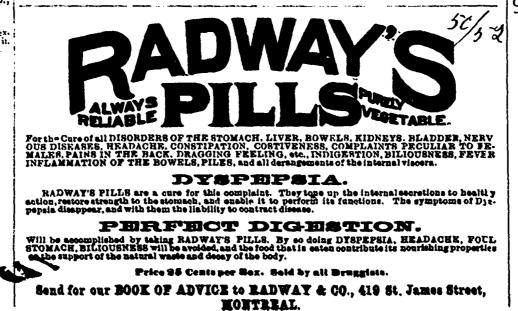
HOME TESTIMONY:

Two SAMPLE LETTERS MUST SUPPICE-MORE ANOTHER TIME.

THE REV. COVERDALE WATSON, for the last three years stator of the Central Methodist Church, Bloor-street, Toronto, but now of Victoria, B.C., writes under date of Aug. 5th inst., as follows : "Dear MR. SIMPSON-Yours of the poth July was duly received. I can only say with respect to DR. A. WILFORD HALL'S Hygienic treatment that I regard it as a wonderful discovery, and i fperseveringly used it cannot fail to be of great service. I would advice any one to get the pamphiet, begin the use of the treatment and throw medicine to the dogs. A very clever physician said to re the other day, 'Let medicine alone and get rid o the waste materials and the organs will perform their functions.' This is precisely what this treatment does. C. WATSON,'

MR. ROBERT LINN, Miller, with Messre. McLaughlin & Moore, Bay and Esplanade-streets, Toronto, writes August 13 as follows: "To J. J. WESLEY SIMPSON-Dear Sir, -A remarkable experience prompts me to write concerning DR. HAILUS 'Health Pamphlet' purchased of you some time ago. The treatment unfolded therein, is to my mind, the greatest health discovery of the present century. It certainly has proved a great boon to me in a rocent and severe attack of inflammation and hemorrhage of the kidneys, accompanied with piles of a painful character. The treatment acted like a charm in allaying the inflammation, stopping the issue of blood and causing the piles to disappear almost immediately. The rapidity with which the inflammation was arrested and healthy action restored was simply wonderfal. I do not believe that any isystem of drug treatment in a case so critical could possibly have accomplished a cure so safely, effectively and rapidly. The treatment has also cured me of a very diversing headache, periodical in character and threatening to become obstimately chronic. The unique home treatment is simply of priceless value, and should be known and practised by everybody, however slightlyout of health, as it would not only eradicate the divease from the system, but prevent much sickness and suffering and save most people many times its cost ev ry year. I never truey. ROBERT LINN, 168 Parliament street."

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A STRONG POINT ON INFECTIONS.—This is given in the following concise way in the Sanitary Era: There is too much carelessness in letting children visit other children who are sick before it is definitely known whether they have an infectious disease or not. Even when it is announced of the sick child that "it has nothing but a slight sore throat," the prudent mother should hesitate before sending her child to the sick chamber and into a possible danger lying in ambush. Scarlet fever and diphtheria sometimes put off their characteristic appearance, and masquerade in the form of a "slight sore throat," retaining, however, their capability of communicating infection which may reproduce the diseases in their more usual and more frightul forms. The truth of this is emphasized every year in the histories of outbreaks in our own State.

WINTER VENTILATION .- Provide means for the letting out or drawing off of the once-breathed, foul air, and letting in the fresh and pure. It is a very simple process. It costs a trifle to be sure to warm the fresh cold air from out of doors, but as we have said repeatedly on former occasions, it is bet-ter to pay a fuel bill for warming pure air than either a "butcher's" or a "doctor's bill." Provide at once an opening through the wall of every occupied room into a chim-ney flue that will be usually warm, or cut an opening into a stove pipe, if one pass through the room. This will draw off the foul air. Even if you use a grate or open fire, such an opening into the chimney above the grate will be very useful. If you have but one fire, pro-bably a stove, in the dwelling, have a good-sized opening (say four by six inches) cut in the pipe, with a sliding door to partly close it in very cold weather when you have on a large fire. In many houses in severely cold wea-ther, with this outward draft creating a vacuum within, enough pure air will come in through the cracks and crevices about windows, doors, etc. Often a window should be opened a little too. This is not a first-class method of ventilating, but if it alone were commonly practised it would prevent a vast amount of sickness and save very many lives. When, there are outer or storm windows, have them so arranged as to open wide (the so-called small "ventilator" in the lower bar of the sash is hardly worth naming or using), and open all doors and windows once a day and flush the rooms. Do this for just a min-ute or two longer, daily, when the fires are good and walls all warm, and little or no discomfort will be felt, even by an infant.

WE understand there is one baking powder that does have all the ingredients published on its label, and that this guarance is confirmed by the highest authorities in the land. This certainly is the right course, and housewives should note carefully the label, and be sure to obtain an article so clearly pure and wholesome.

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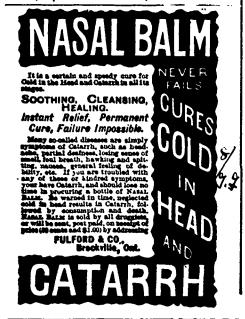
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