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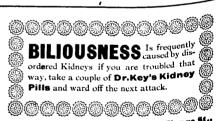
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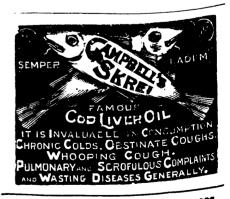
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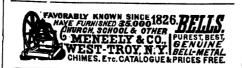


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Last month a deputation from the Committee of the International Peace and Arbitration Society submitted a memorial to the members of the London Eng. School Board, urging upon them the desirability of adequate ethical teaching in schools on the subject of peace and war, duties to foreign nations, and other kindred questions. The memorial was unanimously referred to the School Management Committee for consideration and report.

For the first time for sixty-three years, Parliament assembled without the inspiration and master-hand of perhaps the greatest Parliamentarian of English History, and minus a voice which has swayed larger issues than that of any living Briton. The House has met distinctly the poorer for the loss of one of England's greatest Commoners. At his marvellous call to arms in aid of the oppressed Armenians he seemed definitely to retire from Party; and men of every political shade begin to speak of him in the language posterity adopts towards its Immortals.

The Moderator of the Irish Presbyterian General Assembly has fixed Wednesday, the 11th September, as the date on which the special meeting of the General Assembly will be held in May street, to elect a Professor of Logic, Belles-Lettres, and Rhetoric, in the Magee College, Londonderry, in room of Professor Dougherty, and a Professor of Systematic Theology, in the Assembly's College, Belfast, in room of the late Professor Watts. In consequence of the interest and importance of the appointments and the keenness with which the contest is being conducted on the part of the several candidates, a large attendance both of ministers and elders is anticipated.

In The Church at Home and Abroad, which answers to the American Presbyterian Church North, the purpose our Record does to our Church, there is a cut of the Presbyterian House, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, which may well fairly over-whelm modest, canny-going Presbyterians in Canada. It is the head quarters and permanent dwelling place for the Board's of Home Missions and Foreign Missions and of several other agencies of the Presbyterian Church. The building stands at the northwest corner of Fifth Avenue and Twentieth Street. Its frontage on Fifth Avenue is 92 feet, and that on Twentieth Street is 192 feet, and it is twelve and a half stories in height. We merely mention this just now to prepare our readers for the brief article giving some further account which we shall shortly publish from the columns of the periodical above mentioned.

A quarter of a century having passed since the lattle of Gravelotte, the first in the Franco-German War of 1870-71, the occasion was celebrated by William II. laying the foundation-stone of a monument, to cost £400,000, to his grandsather, William I, which will be erected on the site of the Palace of Liberties. In his speech the Kaiser said nothing that could wound the susceptibilities of the French people, but dwelt upon the self-sacrificing unanimity of the German princes; the wise counsel and energetic support of the great Chancellor; the consummate strategy of Count Moltke; the incomparable skill of the brave leaders, especially of the Crown Prince, his father, and the loyalty unto death of the people in arms. "From the bloodstained seed sprang up under God's blessing the barvest of German unity." The ceremony was military rather than national, and dissatisfaction at the refusal to admit the public as spectators has been freely expressed.

Jews in Russia cannot yet count upon peace and rest. Instructions have been received by the Governor of Vladivostock to expel all Jews resident in that far Eastern entrepot. No time of grace is allowed to the expelled beyond such short periods as are necessary for winding up their business affairs and disposing of their immovable property and household chattels. There are several hundred Jews in Vladivostock, all of whom will be now compelled to return to their native domiciles in European Russia.

Advices received in New York from Lima report the arrival of a party of English and American missionaries. The natives resent their coming and have demanded that the Peruvian Government shall take steps for their immediate expulsion. In the meanwhile the missionaries are being restricted to very cramped quarters on the coast. The Government replied that they would be protected as long as they obeyed the laws of the country. The people are by no means satisfied with this assurance, and a rebellion is talked of, while threats are freely expressed against the lives of the whole missionary party.

The announcement was made in both Houses on Monday that Lord Wolseley will be Commander-in-Chief of the Army from November 1. His powers, however, will be less than those of the late Commander-in-Chief. They have not yet been defined. The Government is to be congratulated on resisting the pressure to appoint the Duke of Connaught. Several years ago a scheme of Army reforms was drawn up by a committee of which the Duke of Devonshire was chairman, but it has been impossible to initiate the reforms owing to the opposition of the Duke of Cambridge, who refused to admit his responsibility to Parliament. Now, under our most experienced practical soldier, the reforms will be carried into effect.

One of the most interesting and hopeful features noticeable in some governments, at least, at the present day, is the constantly increasing attention paid to the improvement of the comfort, social condition and physical well-being of the humbler classes in society. Many instances of this might be mentioned, especially in countries older than those on this side of the Atlantic as yet, where some solution of social difficulties is imperative and pressing. Among other instances of this we notice that the Dutch Government has nominated a commission, composed of twenty-five members. representing all the shades of political opinion, to report on the best system of State pensions for the old and infirm members of the working classes.

The recent and present disturbances in China, which, it should be remembered, are but additions to disturbances which for a long time have been occasionally breaking out in some part or other of that vast empire, have given rise to many explanations by many different kinds of travellers and observers. Here is one by the Hon. G. N. Curzon, in his "Problems in the Far East," he states that one source of the difficulties is misunderstanding with the native population of "the constantly increasing employment of women, and particularly of unmarried women, by the missionary bodies. In a country like China," Mr. Curzon adds, "the institution of sisterhoods, planted along-ide of male establishments, the spectacle of unmarried persons of both sexes residing and working together, both in public and in private, and of girls making long journeys into the interior without responsible escorts are sources of a misunderstanding at which the pureminded may afford to scoff, but which in many cases has more to do with anti-missionary feeling in China than any amount of national hostility or doctrinal antagonism."

The Occident, says The Church at Home and Abroad, suggests a Presbyterian Education Extension Course for the Pacific coast, which shall both counteract the rationalistic and anti-Biblical teaching of the common school and university and strengthen the cause of Presbyterianism. Feeling the need of consolidation in Christian Endeavor work, improvement in Sunday school effort, and a new impulse to Church life and home-training, it would inaugurate a peripatetic lecture course led by able instructors and pastors who can discriminate between the known and guess in current theories, and extend among the people the wholesome influences of the Word of God. Though perhaps we do not yet need such action so much as they do now on the Pacific coast yet herein lies a suggestion of work that, with modifications suited to our circumstances, might by continued effort be undertaken with great profit especially in all our country towns and villages.

The deaths of the week is always a paragraph of much though also of sad interest in the Christian World of London, England. Amongst others appeared last week the following notice which will be of interest to many. English visitors to the Continent, or residents thereon, owe a priceless debt of gratitude to Baron Christian Bernhard Tauchnitz, who has just died at Leipzig, in his seventy-ninth year. The little paper-covered volumes of English authors, beautifully printed, to be purchased at every railway bookstall and at every popular resort, have largely increased the pleasure of a Continental holiday. The idea took possession of the German publisher in 1843. Before then, as after, Continental publishers freely pirated English copyright works, and also freely mutilated them. Tauchnitz was an honourable man, and he put himself into friendly communication with English authors, proposing to pay them for the right of cheap republication, for exclusive Continental sale. His propositions were received in the same friendly spirit, and he had the most pleasant relations with Dickens, Thackery, Trollope, Carlyle and others who bore testimony to his liberal treatment of them. In a letter to Thackeray, Tauchnitz apologised for inaccuracies in his English. "Don't be afraid of your English—a letter containing £ is always in a pretty style," was the reply. Nearly 3,000 volumes have appeared in the "Collection of British Authors."

One more perfect than was Labour Dav could not be desired, hardly even imagined. The air was pure and clear, so that in its morning freshness it was a luxury and delight to breathe it. Not too hot to be oppressive to the thousands of pedestrians who walked in procession and thronged the streets, nor too cool to be uncomfortable during the inevitable delay in marshalling so large a parade. Toronto turned out to do labour honor, and judging from the general appearance of the great mass of manual or machine toilers who walked in procession, our city so far from being ashamed of her artisans, may well be proud of them. With scarcely an exception that could be seen in all the thou: ands in the ranks they looked well clad, well fed, contented and pleased, manly looking in their bearing, and intelligent. Among the thousands of spectators who lined the streets for miles, nothing but good nature, good order and good conduct could be seen; no drunkenness, no roughness, no crowding, no swearing. A most hopeful and encouraging sight it was. We doubtless have plenty of evils yet in our midst to contend with, but if in Canada we can not only keep up the present status of our handicraftsmen and farmers, but improve them, and along with them improve also the standing of all whose work is more with their heads than their hands, Canada will have a population, taking it in the mass, which may well make her the envy of the whole world.

Our Contributors.

TO A YOUNG MAN ABOUT TO ENTER COLLEGE WITH A VIEW TO THE MINISTRY.

BY KNOXONIAN.

Y DEAR SIR,—Most heartily do I congratulate you on your choice of the noblest calling and the poorest profession on earth. If the Holy Spirit has led you to say: "Woe unto me if I preach not the Gospel" consider yourself highly honored among the sons of men.

Kindly allow me to call your attention to a few things that a young man is none the worse for thinking a little about when beginning that course of study which the Presbyterian Church requires from those who enter her ministry in a regular way. Some of the matters that I propose to discuss with you are not pleasant, but it is far better to think about them now than fret and worry about them later

Don't enter the ministry under the delusion that your Master cannot be faithfully and efficiently served in any other way. Good elders are just as useful as good ministers and much more useful than poor ones. Congregations that would, if vacant, have fifty candidates scrambling for their pulpits sometimes find it difficult to get half a dozen men to serve in the eldership. A really efficient Sabbath-school superintendent is often more difficult to get than a fairly good minister. The men who manage the business side of church work are doing just as important service as the men who preach. The ministry that raised two millions for the Church last year preached more eloquently than some of us can do in the pulpit. It is much harder to get money out of some men than it is to preach to them. Don't then, my dear sir, enter college under the delusion that Christ cannot be well served outside of the ministry. There are a thousand ways of serving him well.

Don't attach much importance to the common view that sordid motives are impossible because ministerial salaries are low. The minimum salary, seven hundred and fifty dollars a year and a house, is a small income for a man who migh earn two or three thousand a year, but it may be a temptation to a young man whose earning power at hard work is fifty cents a day and may never be much more than a dollar. Small salaries merely shift the temptation to enter the ministry from sordid motives from one class to another—they never remove it.

Please assume from the very first that you go to college to study-not to preach, not to manage the institution, not to take charge of the professors, not to "run" the societies that have become a part of college life, but to do honest work in your own room and in the lecture room. If you labour under the affliction that time spent on Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Philosophy, Rhetoric, the Natural Sciences and other subjects put on the calendar by older, if not really wiser men than you is lost time, give yourself to meditation, penitence and prayer. Ask for more light and more common sense. If at the end of a reasonable time the affliction is not removed, take yourself over body and bones to the Plymouth Brethren. You are not the raw material out of which an efficient Presbyterian minister can be made.

Years ago the necessities of a growing church in a new country made student-preaching a necessity. The Church had no choice in the matter. Students had to preach both summer and winter, and right well did many of them acquit themselves. The conditions, however, are changing rapidly. There is no longer a scarcity of preachers. More attention is given to "full courses" and "honors" and "degrees," and matters of that kind. The people are not so gospel hungry as the old settlers were. Whether preachers or people are any better than they were-whether the people who want more tone in the pulpit know their Bibles half as well as the old Scotch and Irish settlers did-are questions that need not now be discussed. The one thing clear is that a student should study in order that he may be better able to meet the changing conditions under which he must work when his college days are over.

Don't go to college under the delusion that when you have finished your course the Presbyterian Church is under any obligations to find you a congregation, or, indeed, any other field of labour. Presbyterian polity assumes that the call of the people is indispensable. That may be the right theory or it may be a wrong one, but there it is. You cannot change this part of the polity while you are a student, and it is well you should think about it before you commit yourself to the Presbyterian ministry. A world of disappointment and misery would have been saved to the church if all young men had thought about the call of the people before entering the ministry. Almost every day we hear of good ministers disappointed, soured, embittered and hopeless because they cannot get congregations or even a fair chance to preach in vacancies. It would be cruel to say to a man in that unhappy position: "You should have thought of the calling business before you entered the Presbyterian ministry." All the same he should have thought of it.

A good deal has been said lately about the "dead line of fifty" in the ministry. The phrase came from the same direction as the Gerrymander, the P.P.A. and a number of other things of bad odor. Intelligent and influential congregations have no such line. It does exist, however, in congregations of a certain class, and in too many mission stations, and it is well for you to know that it exists. There are two sure ways of avoiding the snag. One is to keep out of the ministry, the other is to die young.

If you labour under the delusion that the work of a minister to represent those who maintain the perpetual obligation of a is easy, stop at once and never darken a college door. There is absolutely no hope for a student who thinks that the work of a minister of the gospel is easy.

In one-perhaps in more than one-of our colleges there is a species of student always described as "popular on the field," He is not of much account in his classes, but he is "popular on the field." Popularity on the field is a rock on which many a well meaning young man has hurt himself for life. My dear sir, do your duty faithfully in college first. Never mind "popularity on the field." The less you think about it anywhere the better. Duty is a much better thing than popularity.

THE LAW OF THE SABBATH AND ITS PRESENT OBLIGATION.*

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THIS is the subject to be discussed in this paper. By the " Law of the Sabbath" we are to understand the Fourth Commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates.

Concerning this commandment two questions are suggested by the title of our topic, viz.: First, What is the meaning of this law; and, secondly, Is this a law of present obligation? The answer to the first of these questions need not detain us long. The command before us is easily understood. It requires the cessation, during one day in seven, of secular employments. It answers to the demands of man's physical, intellectual and moral nature by providing for a weekly day of rest. On this day it is intended that the body should regain by repose its freshness and vigor, that by varying its occupations the mind should recover its clearness and strength; that by withdrawal into a clearer atmosphere, the spirit should be quickened and

The rest required by this commandment is not inactivity. We are told that God rested on the seventh day "from all His work which He had made." This does not mean that God became inactive. He ceased from a particular class of works which had occupied the six creative days. But the divine activity manifests itself in other ways on the seventh day. The occupations of the redeemed in heaven may furnish us with an example of the way in which our Sabbaths should be spent. The spirits of the just "rest from their labors." They have entered into peace. That rest is not opposed to activity but to hurry, distraction, toil, uneasiness. In heaven there is ceaseles $_{\mbox{\scriptsize S}}$ activity. "His servants shall serve Him." "They rest not day and night, saying Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty which was and is and is to come." A spirit can find rest only in activity. The true Sabbath rest consists in withdrawing our attention from what is seen, transitory, unsatisfying and fixing it upon the unseen, the eternal, the satisfying. True rest is not inactivity, but satisfaction. The weekly Sabbath is fitted to give us opportunities for the earnest, loving contemplation of God as revealed in His word, in His works, in His Son. In such holy occupation should this day be spent.

The Sabbath is a day of rest. And the rest of the Sabbath is a religious rest. It is such a rest as those require who are not merely animals, but spirits as well. This rest leaves no room for idleness, but affords ample scope for all the activities of our spiritual nature.

It need scarcely be said that the interpretation put upon the Sabbath law by the Jewish rabbis is to be rejected. The meaning of the Fourth Commandment is not expressed but perverted by the tradition which decided that on a Sabbath a nailed shoe might not be worn because it was a burden, but that an unnailed shoe might be worn; that a person might go out with two shoes on, but not with only one; that one might carry a loaf of bread, but that two might not carry it between them. Moses was not represented, but caricatured by those who found fault with the disciples for plucking the ears of corn and rubbing them in the palms of their hands and blowing away the chaff and eating, and who would condemn even walking on the green grass on the Sabbath because that was a species of threshing. Very different from the interpretation put upon this law by the rabbis, is that given by the Lord of the Sabbath. According to Him the performance of works of necessity and mercy does not constitute a breach of the law regarding the Sabbath.

The law of the Sabbath as found in the Fourth Commandment must be distinguished from other Mosaic legislation concerning the Sabbath. We read in Exodus xxxv. 15, "Whosoever doeth any work on the Sabbath day shall be put to death." And again, we read that a man found gathering sticks upon the Sabbath day was put to death for his offence. Such legislation, of course, was entirely Judaic. No one regards it as binding on any nation now. But the fact that such laws as that which required a man to be put to death for Sabbath breaking are obsolete, no more proves that the law of the Sabbath contained in the Fourth Commandment is obsolete, than the abolition of the death penalty for adultery or blasphemy proves that the Third and Seventh Commandments have ceased to be binding upon men. It is not ingenuous, it can scarcely be considered honest, command found in the decalogue as maintaining also the perpetual obligation of requirements found in the ceremonial

We come now to the second question to be considered in this paper. Is the Sabbath law a law of present obligation? From a very early period two opinions have been held concerning this matter. One opinion is that the sanctification of one day in every seven was a ceremonial, typical and Levitical custom and was therefore abolished when a better dispensation came. The aws of the state very properly secure weekly rest from worldly labors as a social and civic blessing. Public and associated worship of Christians is a scriptural duty. No day is so suitable for such worship as the weekly day of rest especially since it commemorates the resurrection of Christ. But this is all. To sanctify the whole day under the supposed authority of a divine command is Judaizing. The other opinion is expressed in the Westminster Confession and held by Presby. terians throughout the world. It regards the law of the Sab bath as a moral and perpetual commandment binding all men in all ages. As briefly as possible I shall try to present the chief arguments which have come under my notice in support of the latter opinion, viz.: that the law of the Sabbath is a moral and perpetual commandment.

I. The Sabbath was instituted prior to the Mosaic legislation. In the Book of Genesis, after giving an account of creation, the sacred writer proceeds as follows:—"Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all the host of them, and on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it because that in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made."

Those who have held the Sabbath to be a mere Judaical appointment, have contended that the writer of Genesis is not in this passage giving an account of something which happened at the creation, but is anticipating the institution of the Sab bath. Their opinion is that the Sabbath was instituted at Sinai and not at the creation. Two considerations seem to be fatal to this interpretation. The first is the place which this passage occupies in the narrative of Genesis. In the first chapter of that book, we have a simple straightforward account of the works which God performed. Then the writer, continuing his story tells us that God, having finished these works at the end of six days, rested on the seventh. It is difficult to see how any one who has not a theory to support, can hold that in the first chapter of Genesis we have an account of events which took place at the creation, while in the earliest verses of the second chapter, we have an anticipation of event which was to occur many hundreds of years afterwards. The plain man reading his Bible sees in the words "God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it" a statement is what God did after the work of creation was finished. If he is told that he is wrong, and that the writer is speaking of something that Carl thing that God was to do in the future, he will probably conclude that the Bible is a book intended only for the learned. There is a second consideration, which makes against the view, that in this passage we have merely an anticipation of a coming. event. It is this. Unless the Sabbath was instituted at the creation, we find no account in the narrative of Genesis, of any provision for the needs of man's spiritual nature. Is it con ceivable that God should make man in His own image and then, while giving him authority to use the products of the earth for the supply of his bodily wants, should make no provision for the wants of his soul? It is surely more natural to suppose that the Creator, after giving His creature directions as to the support of his bodily life, indicated by His own example, the means by which the spiritual life of man was to be nourished.

There are many indications of Sabbath observance during the patriarchal period. From the earliest times seven was a sacred and symbolical number among both Israelites and pagans. How is the meaning attached to this number to be explained? explained? No natural sign in the heavens or earth suggests the number. For no heavenly body revolves in precisely seven months, days or hours. Nor do any of man's external members number seven. A reasonable explanation of this use of the number seven is found in the early institution of the week.

Other facts point still more clearly to the conclusion that observance of the Sabbath was a part of the patriarchal religion. It was a part of the patriarchal religion. gion. It was "at the end of days" that Cain and Abel offered their sacrifices. This phrase probably refers to the weekly Sabbath. God Himself observed the weekly interval in making preparation for the flood. Noah twice waited for a period of seven days before he sent out his dove. It was customary among the patriarchs in Mesopotamia, in the days of Laban to continue a wedding feast a week. From the history of Jacob's life we learn that the number seven was used to limit the ordinary duration of a contract. The feast of the Passover was last a week. This appointment was made before there were any Levitical institutions. The account of the manna, found in the sixteenth in the sixteen in the sixteenth chapter of Exodus, shows that the law of the Sabbath was then in full force. Observe what happened. their own accord the people on the sixth day gathered twice as much of the manna as they gathered on other days. They received no directions to do this. They acted as if they were conforming to an established custom. Then Moses, when his attention was called to the conduct of the people, mentioned the Sabbath quite incidentally. He said to the rulers that the people had done quite right in gathering a double quantity on the sixth day. He added, "To-morrow is the rest of the holy Sab

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bath unto the Lord." We have here no formal, solemn declaration of a new law, but an incidental, informal reference to a law already recognized to be in force. The birth place of this institution of the Sabbath is not the wilderness of Sin. The events which occurred there refer back to an earlier appoint. Now the argument from these facts is clear and direct. The law of the Sabbath was in force before the Mosaic legislation was received. It is admitted by all that the ceremonial Portion of the Mosaic legislation has been abolished. But if this law existed before the legislation of Moses was enacted, its athority cannot be affected by the abolition of the later legislation. The authority of the Sabbath law was recognized but not created at Sinai. We cannot infer from the repeal of ceremonal laws given at Sinai, that the law of the Sabbath has been repealed. This institution existed before the Levitical types and shadows, and it survives while they have perished.

2. I go on to a second argument to prove that the law of the Sabbath is a moral and perpetual commandment. The Sabbath w is found among the moral precepts of the Mosaic Legisla-There is a clear distinction between the law of the ten commandments and the laws of the Judaic ritual and polity. The ten commandments were uttered by the great voice of God and written with His own finger. The other laws were spoken the ears of Moses alone and the hand of Moses wrote them. The decalogue written twice on tables of stone was deposited in the ark; where it was preserved by the incorruptible Shittim wood, the gold overlaid, within, without and above, and the Over-shadowing Cherubim and Shechinah. The laws intended for the Jews only were written on parchment and placed, not in, but beside the ark, as being of less value and ready to be re-Now the law of the Sabbath has its place among the commandments. This law was uttered by the divine Voice. tts words were written by the finger of God. It was inscribed bon the table of stone. It was intrusted to the ark for safe teeping. There is nothing to warrant the belief that this law has intended for the Jews only. There is no reason to suppose that it belonged only to a covenant which was to be abolwhed.

It may be shown that the fourth commandment is necessary to the completeness of the first table. We are not to look upon the laws of this table as merely negative. Their requirements are not satisfied by not setting up any object of worship in the Place of God, or by not worshipping idols or by not blasphem-The second commandment promises mercy to them that love Me." But love is not satisfied with abstaining from It must be busy doing good. Love does more than refrain h disobedience. It expresses itself in active obedience. how can love express itself when its object is God. If He were hungry He would not tell us. The creature cannot add to the leffable blessedness of the Creator. Love to God finds an Obtlet in worship, in communion, in shutting out worldly things and fixing the attention upon Him. Now, in order that there hay be opportunities for worship, for communion, for with drawal from worldly concerns, it is necessary that there should be such a provision as is made in the law of the Sabbath. There must be some time set apart for the religious duties which are imposed by the first three commands of the decalogue. If the admitted that the first and second and third command. ments are moral and perpetual, it follows that the fourth Commandment also is moral and perpetual. For it prescribes the means by which the duties required in the other commandments may be performed, and when a work is obligatory, the means hecessary to its performance are also obligatory. Worship is obligatory. Then the setting apart of a portion of time for worship is also obligatory. Thus the fourth Commandment is the to follow naturally the first three. They command a work to be done. It prescribes the means by which this work is to be performed.

That this law is moral and not positive is shown further by the fact that the penalty of death was attached to the breach of it. This penalty was not inflicted upon an offender against any law of ritual.

3. A third argument in support of the position maintained in the paper, is that the law of the Sabbath rests upon a universal and permanent ground. It is true that in the fifth chapter of Deuteronomy, the deliverance from Egypt is mentioned as the ground of the command, and that this text has been used to support the position that for the rest of God's peo-Ple, who did not share the Exodus from Egypt, there is no Stound for observing the Sabbath. But it is to be observed that both in Exodus and Deuteronomy, the whole decalogue is Prefaced by reminding the people of their deliverance from Respectively. The argument against the universal obligation of the Sabbath law derived from the mention in Deuteronomy of the deliverance from Egypt as its ground, if it proves anything, Proves that the whole decalogue has no authority over us, be-Canse we did not share in the Exodus. The fact that this de. liverance was spoken of as a reason why the Hebrews should teep the Sabbath does not prove that this was the only reason why it was binding upon them Agan, the command as given in Exodus is based on a ground which has validity for the whole human race, namely the fact that in six days the Lord created the heavens and the earth and rested on the seventh day. In Raddus a ground is assigned to this command which is valid tor all men. In Deuteronomy we find in addition, a ground valid for the Hebrews alone. The less general ground does not exclude the more general.

It is said that God made the Sabbath a sign between Himself and the Hebrews (Ex. xxxi. 13-17; Ezek. xx. 12, 20). And hence it has been inferred that the Sabbath was a mere Levi-

tical type destined to pass away when Christ came. But although the Sabbath was a sign, it was more than a sign. Israel was commanded to make the first great law of love announced in Deut. vi. 6, a sign between God and His people. No one argues that the law of love is abolished because it was a sign of God's covenant with His people. Again the decalogue itself is spoken of as a witness to God's presence with His people. The ideas of "a sign" and "a witness" are similar ideas. No one argues that the decalogue is obsolete because it was "a witness." There would be as much force in such arguments, as there is in the argument that the Sabbath was a temporary institution because God made it a sign between Himself and His people. Might not a permanent institution be selected as a sign as well as a temporary institution?

4. A fourth argument is that the prophets treated the law of the Sabbath as a moral and perpetual commandment. The prophets were the enemies of mere ceremonialism. Isaiah condemned in scathing words the false religion that made much of fasting and afflicting the soul, but did not loose the bonds of wickedness or undo the heavy burdens, or let the oppressed go tree or break the yoke, or feed the hungry or house the outcast, or clothe the naked. Now if the Sabbath law were merely a positive and ceremonial command, we would expect to find the prophets laying comparatively little stress upon Sabbath observance. As a matter of fact, however, what we do find is exactly the opposite of this. Isaiah declared that the euniuchs, who keep the Sabbaths, will find in the house of God a place and a name better than of sons and daughters. They shall have an everlasting name that shall not be cut off. The sons of strangers who keep the Sabbath shall be brought to the holy mountain and be made joyful in the house of prayer. Again, the same prophet says, "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable; and shalt honor Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words; then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy Father; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Jeremiah said to the people of his day that the prosperity of the city de pended upon the hallowing of the Sabbath and warned them of danger from the divine displeasure if they disregarded the ob servance of the holy day. Ezekiel reproached his nation for having polluted the Sabbath which God had established as a sign between Himself and His people. These instances may suffice to show that the prophets treated this matter of Sabbath observance, not as if the Sabbath law were on the same footing as ritualistic requirements, but as if it were upon a level with the moral precepts of the Mosaic legislation.

5 A fifth argument is that Christ recognized the authority of the Sabbath law. The authority of our Lord is often claimed by those who oppose the position maintained here. It is alleged that when Christ defended His disciples against those who accused them of Sabbath breaking because they plucked corn to satisfy their hunger, He used His authority as Messiah to repeal the Mosaic law and to introduce a freer and more lenient law for the new dispensation. But this assertion involves a misunderstanding of the whole case. Our Lord and His opponents agreed in regarding the Mosaic law of the Sabbath as still binding. It is incredible that the Saviour who observed the Mosaic law scrupulously up till His death, whose last free act was the keeping of the Passover should here be setting aside the old Sabbath law. The dispute was not about the authority of the Mosaic law, but about its interpretation. The Pharisees interpreted the law to require a man to go hungry rather than put forth his hand to pluck a few ears of corn. Our Lord denied the correctness of this interpretation. He did not relax he law. He explained it. According to the explanation of the Pharisees, the disciples were Sabbath breakers. According to our Lord's explanation they were not exposed to that charge But Christ did not claim for His disciples exemption from the law of the Sabbath given by Moses.

Again, from the teaching of Christ, that the observance of the Sabbath must give way to deeds of mercy, it has been inferred that He looked upon the Sabbath command as ceremonial. The principle, it is said, on which this teaching of our Lord rests is that positive and ceremonial commands must always give way to those which are moral and perpetual. Since, then, mercy takes precedence of Sabbath observance, the former must be a moral, and the latter a ceremonial duty. But it is also a recognized principle that some moral duties must give way to others. For example, worship is a moral duty, but it must be set aside to save a drowning man from his peril. So that even if our Lord subordinated Sabbath observance to deeds of mercy, that would not prove one of them to be a moral and the other to be a ceremonial duty. They might both be moral duties and vet one of them might be subordinated to the other. But Chrst does not subordinate Sabbath observance to mercy. What He teaches is that the performance of deeds of mercy is proper Sabbath observance.

It need scarcely be said that our Lord's declaration, "The Sabbath was made for man," is perverted, when it is quoted in support of the relation or abrogation of the Sabbath law. These words simply declare that the design of the Sabbath is a humane one; that it ministers to man's true welfare. Before the advocates of greater license in Sabbath observance can gain any legitimate support from these words, they must prove that the law of the Sabbath as given by Moses and properly interpreted does not advance human welfare. Then they would be entitled to say that the Sabbath of Moses and the Sabbath of Christ are two different things. But it is precisely this proof which is not forth coming.

Our Saviour's concluding words in this Sabbath controversy, as recorded by Matthew, have been misinterpreted. The words are these, "For the Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath." They have been thus paraphrased. "The Son of man, agreeably to His authority, is able to relax the Sabbath day just as the other legal ceremonies." And again, "Here He saith that power is given to him to release His people from the necessity of observing the Sabbath." But observe that our Lord is here giving the reason for declaring His disciples innocent of the charge of Sabbath breaking. They are innocent "for the Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath." He would not have allowed them to break this law without rebuking them. The fact that he did not reprove them shows that they had done nothing wrong The examination of this Sabbath controversy makes it clear that Christ recognized the authority of the Sabbath law.

6. A sixth and concluding argument may be put in a negative form. The writings of Paul furnish no objection to the position that the law of the Sabbath is a moral and perpetual commandment. Three passages in the Pauline epistles, are held by some to teach that the law of the Sabbath is positive and ceremonial and therefore temporary. These passages are: (1) Romans xiv. 5-6, "One man esteemeth one day above another; another esteemed every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind. He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord; and he that regardeth it not unto the Lord, he doth not regard it. (2) Gal. 1v. 10, "Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years." (3) Col. ii. 16, "Let no man therefore judge you in meat or in drink, or in respect of an holy day, or of the new moon, or of the Sabbath days; which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is Christ."

Two answers have been given to the objection against the perpetual authority of the Sabbath law based on these passages. One is that the condemnation pronounced by Paul applies to the observance of the Sabbath days and other days prescribed under the Mosaic economy. The Sabbath day referred to is the seventh day Sabbath. Judaizers held and taught that the observance of this and other days, and of Levitical rites was essential to salvation. According to this view, the first day was not at this time called the Sabbath. For this reason and be cause its observance was not looked upon as an essential condition of salvation, the words of Paul do not apply to the Christian Sabbath.

The other answer is that the term Sabbath does not mean the weekly Sabbath, but Sabbatic periods or days connected with the ceremonial law. According to this view, the whole discussion has to do with ceremonial observances commanded by Moses and not with anything commanded in the decalogue.

I present this imperfect summary of the evidence in favor of the position, that the law of the Sabbath is a moral and perpetual commandment, in the hope that it may in some measure be helpful to the discussion of this most important subject.

Books and Magazines.

THE JESUITS: Their History, Constitution, Moral Teaching, Potitical Principles, Religion and Science. By Dr. Otto Henne Am Rhyn, author of a "General History of Civilization," etc. 12mo. Paper, 15 Cents (4 Copies, 50 cents). Cloth, 30 cents J. Fitzgerald & Co., Publishers, 28 Lasayette Place, New York.

The occasion which called forth this at once scholarly and popular work was the persistent agitation in Germany for the recall of the Jesuit Order, banned by the May Laws enacted at the urgent instance of Prince Bismarck. The author is a resolute opponent of the Jesuits and their aims, and his book is designed to show what the effects of Jesuitism have been in all countries since the Order was founded. The material of the history is drawn almost exclusively from authentic Jesuit and Roman Catholic sources—the constitutions of the Order, writings of Jesuit theologians and moralist, decrees of Popes, and acts of Catholic governments. The chapter on the Moral Doctrine of the Jesuits is specially noteworthy. Dr. Am Rhyn quotes from a long array of the foremost Jesuit writers on moral theology, passages which indubitably support the opinion that "the end justifies the means." The teaching is also cited of many great Jesuit theologians regarding the lawfulness of the use of equivocation, even by witnesses under oath in a court of justice. The Jesuit principle of "Probabilism" has very full treatment.

THE WAY OF LIFE MARKED OUT. The Bible Institute Colportage Association, Chicago, Ill, U.S.

This is No. 7 of Volume I of Mr. Moody's Bible Institute Colportage Association, Chicago—a new one of his many methods of doing good. Its aim is to displace injurious literature by supplying good literature in its place at as cheap or a cheaper rate. The volumes are published semi-monthly at a subscription rate of \$2.25, or at 15 cents per copy. This one consists of 127 pages on fair paper and clear readable type. It contains eight sermons, two by the late Mr. Spurgeon, two by Rev. John McNeil and one each by J. Wilbur Chapman, B. Fay Mills, D. L. Moody and T. De Witt Talmage. The characteristics of these writers are too well known to need notice. The undertaking is well worthy of support.

The September Methodist Magazine begins with a subject of perennial interest, "Savanarolo, the Martyr Monk of Florence." After this follows an interesting variety of articles among which we may mention as chief "City, Rice Swamp and Hill or Missionary Triumphs in India," "In a Sledge through Famished Russia," "The Early English Drama," "Am I My Brother's Keeper," a sermon by Dean Farrar, "Florence Nightingale," and the two continued stories, "Airlie's Mission," and "The House on the Beach." It contains besides poety, original and selected. [William Briggs, Toronto.]

Pastor and People.

THE SECRET.

'They looked us to Him and were lightered "-Psa axxiv.

l asked the roses, as they grew Richer and lovelicr in their hue, What made their tints so rich and bright; They answered, "Looking toward the light" Ah, secret dear! said heart of mine; God meant my life to be like thine, Radiant with heavenly beauty bright, By simply looking toward the Light

—Sunday School Times.

RUTH.

I walked beside the ribboned corn One sacred, silent Sabbath morn, The soft wind in the branches stirred, I heard a single flating bird, And far away o'er stream and tree The distant church bells chimed for me-

And back from childhood's mist and dream There came a dear and radiant gleam. I know not why, this day, in south My thought should stray to that fair Ruth Who in the barley harvest's sheen Still walks, still bends the ears to glean, Still in the dusk of glimmering dawn Flits homeward e're the dust be gone And in Naomi's loving clasp Finds hope and joy within her grasp.

But it is Ruth I seem to see,
Sweet, slender, lissome, beckoning me
To that still time of childish bliss,
harth's dearest thing, my mother's kiss,
When in a Bible worn and old,
But worth far more than gems and gold,
We little ones on Satbath day
Would read the stories, spell our way
Through Abraham and Isaac down
To David's deeds of great renown,
And find no lore in all the books
So sure to wake delighted looks
As those old Bible stories did,
Between those leather covers hid.

Ruth and Naomi, deathless pair.
Your voices touch this mountain air;
A vision of you, age and youth,
Naomi grave and smiling Ruth,
Unto my eyes to-day is borne
Here by these fields of waving corn.

-Margaret E Sangiter, in the Christian Intelligencer.

Written for THE CANADA PRESENTERIAN.

CHRIST TEMPTED AS WE ARE.

BY REV. CHARLES DOUDIET.

" He was in all points tempted like as we are. . . ." How can that be? The Lord was about thirty-three years old, when the lews crucified Him Too early in life, it seems to me, to be weary of life, a temptation common to afflicted old age. Is it a sin to be weary of life? Perhaps not. And yet can we approve of Job's prayer that it would please God to destroy him (Job vi. 9). Paul also confesses to a desire to depart, and to be with Christ, which is far better (Phil, i. 23). Both the patriarch and the apostie were old men, both had keenly suffered, both bad felt the chafing of the heavy cross on their shoulder, in the long journey of life. At thirty-three, the physical powers of mankind are yet at their best. Hope's sustaining power to the mind has not lost much, if any of its elasticity. But at sixty, and beyond sixty, the body is daily getting weaker, and earthly hopes have nearly lost their influence to encourage to new effort. To many old men, life is a slow martyrdom. The sight grows dim, the hearing is dulled, and motion is pain. Jesus never experienced such a life as they. But could He? Old age is, in one sense, corruption. "David saw corruption, but He whom God raised again saw no corruption" (Acts xiii. 36). From the time that the average man reaches thirty-three, corruption sets in. Death is not only the stoppage of the pulses of the heart. The falling hair, the decayed teeth, the stiffening articulations, are part of the process of corruption. Jesus suffered a violent death, but to my thinking, He never had to experience that slow, gradual decay which often makes old age so painful. Was this the reason that He was cut off so young? Some men live for three generations, Christ lived only one. So to come back to the text which suggested these thoughts, I, an old man, ask: How was He in all points tempted as we are? and as the Christian's faith

gives Him the victory over the temptations special to old age, might there not in this also be found a confirmation of the Saviour's words in John xiv. 12: "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall be do also; and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto My Father?"

Writen for THE CANADA PRESENTERIAN WHAT THEY WANT.

BY C. H. WETHERPE

There are thousands of people, away from God, out of Christ, destitute of spiritual life, who secretly want to be tenderly, lovingly told of the great concern which Christ has for them. They cannot be scolded into the kingdom. They will not bear barsh denunciations of their sinfulness. These drive them still further away from Christ and the truth. A writer says: "Poor, depraved, full of sorrow and woe, lost men needed the words of hope, and Christ drew them with His tenderness. He told them of the divine love. He told them of a Father who would come forth to meet them, on their penitent return to Him, who would run and fall on the prodigal's neck and kiss him; who would welcome him to the old home and put the best robe on him and make a glad festival of the day of his home-coming. Sinful men wanted such words as these. They struck on their hearts like the tones of inspiring music." Very true. It was only hypocrites and the wilfully perverse sinners for whom Christ had cutting denunciations. But for all low outcasts, however polluted, he always had a hopeful word, a cheering call, a sweet invitation and loving arms. And the most of Christ's appeals to sinners-nearly all of them-were keyed on a very tender scale and touching note. This is our lesson.

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THOUGHTS ON AGNOSTICISM.

BY REV. W. G. JORDAN, B.A.

This is a subject that needs scientific handling by competent persons and it is probable that it is receiving such treatment in various places. Ever since Christianity became a power in the life of the world it has had its outlook upon the realm of thought, and there have been those whose special business it has been to show that things which reason could not discover may be in harmony with the highest reason. Hence the position of apologetics changes with every new generation, and it may be that we are somewhat slow to adjust ourselves to changed conditions and new demands. Leaving that question to those whom it may concern we may remark that there is always the average man's view of things, and he has his thoughts when those who do a good work in popularising physical science seek to do a questionable work in popularising "agnosticism" as the solvent of superstition and the destroyer of atheism. This laying emphasis upon human ignorance may be very good so long as it is used to encourage a spirit of humility in the face of the great problem of life, but when it in turn becomes a dogma which make itself the ally of a shallow secularism and threatens to crush our noblest aspirations then even "common sense" rises in rebellion against it. We will now briefly set forth a few hints along this line. 1. It seems strange to the ordinary man that those who know so little should not only mark out with precision the boundaries of human knowledge-a subject that has exercised the thoughts of the greatest thinkers in all ages -but should also limit the power of God. Weknow, of course, that the more modest of those who reject revelation state that the only reason is that they find the evidence for it insufficient. In many cases no doubt that is, true but in much of the reasoning on that side there seems to be a subtle presupposition against the possibility of revelation, a view of the "reign of law" which supposes

that man dwells in a closed circle inaccessible to any influences except those which are mechanical, or purely natural. This view narrows human life by settling in an arbitrary manner man's place in nature, and while dwelling upon the nearness of our relationship to the lower creatures shuts us off from the kingdom of God. We cannot help thinking that if it had been possible for men in the past to live in such a close atmosphere, the purest aspirations would have been stifled, and the march of progress stopped. One cannot help regretting such tendencies of thought. It is a high price to pay even for the most brilliant specialism. Il amancan not in these days say with Boehm "I have taken all knowledge to be my province," he may gracefully decline to be im prisoned in a small corner marked out by any man. And as for the Divine Life we can still say, "In Him we live and move and have our being, and He is not far from any one of us."

2. A slight reading of history shows us that it is not good to be hasty in putting limits upon the advance of man's knowledge. We concede willingly that the Greek thinkers who despised experiment and spoke slightingly of useful inventions were onesided, and that they suffered even in the realm of thought that was dearest to them by that onesidedness. Those who first recognized clearly that the natural world is a manifestation of intelligence, and those who taught that "the proper study of mankind is man," have left us words that the world will not willingly let die," but we are not concerned to censure them unduly on account of their limitations, or defend their contempt for natural science. We may learn a lesson from the fact that the apostle of induction who poured such lofty scorn upon them did not fully understand them, and never realized how much he owed to them. Most ofus are prepared to admitthat it was an evil thing when investigations into the works of nature were stopped by church authority, or scholastic dogmatism or popular prejudice; at present we claim the fullest freedom for experiment, reserving of course the rights of humanity and morality. While this is clearly understood, we are not prepared to give the whole domain of human life and thought into the bands of the physical scientist. This attempt to pin man down to the sphere of sense is another " falsehood of extremes " which will produce a reaction, and of that we can only hope it will not be too severe.

3. Then a very superficial acquaintance with physical science suggests that the attempt to set up a bard and fast line of difference between this and other spheres of thought cannot be justified. True it has the advantage in many departments of sensible experiment, but when it comes to work up particular facts into a body of reasoned knowledge it must avail itself of ideas that are common to all realms of thought. Without dealing now with the nature of our perceptions of the things we do really see, how many of the great things of the physical world are unseen. "Atoms" are unseen things, things which no man hath seen or can see and yet they are very powerful in the world of science. To the chemist they are the great realities of life. If we abolish them and put " centres of force "-whatever they may mean-in their place, we are still dealing with an invisible world. "Ether" as a medium for the transmission of light is not either visible or tangible but it is "a necessity of thought." Now we do not believe that any man is brought to believe in "God," "the world "and "self" by arguments however clever they may be, but we are convinced that when we come to analyse our beliefs in these realities the processes of thought involved are not very much unlike those used by the scientist in his attempt to give a rational explanation of nature. While therefore theology may not be a science in the narrow sense that chemistry is "a science," confining its attention to one body of facts, and their laws, it may be a science in the same sense as the

modern science of anthropology which draws its facts from every department of life and history.

4. It seems one of the strangest things of all that any one should regard agnosticism as an effective weapon to use against super stition. If history teaches us anything it is that it is upon this falsehood that the common man cannot know anything about God or religion that superstitions and dogmatisms have always rested. If the religious instincts could be crushed, or the religious needs satisfied, in some other way, then agnosticism might through scientific education cope with superstition and deliver the human race from the incubus of religion and lead it out into the promised land of nothingness. But things remaining as they are, if man cannot know anything about God, there must be a privileged race of priests and mediators to teach him how to worship and how to live. We have seen in our own time agnosticism made the servant of High Churchism, and those who look carefully may see the same thing in a variety of forms. Even when agnosticism comes as the protector of religion prom ising to make it so impalpable that its enemies will be compelled to say :

"We do it wrong, being so majestical,
To ofter it the show of violence.
For it is as the air invulnerable,
And our vain blows malicious mockery."

We still fear the "Greeks bringing gifts," and prefer a religion that will mingle with our common feelings and bear the brunt of life's battle.

5. As the space at our disposal is so brief we must be content with one more thought very roughly presented. The average man must sometimes be amazed and amused at the ambition of those who call themselves agnostics. We need not mention names now as we have no room for detailed criticism, but confine our remarks to a few facts which can hardly be disputed. The most comprehensive system of philosophy ever attempted by any Englishman, comes from "a prophet of evolution" who says that nature is the manifestation of a power that is inscrutable. We cannot now ask how far a power that manifests itself is inscrutable, as that would be to raise the whole question again, we simply note that some of those who accept this statement sit down quickly and write the history of the universe from the time when it was simply a "nebulous haze" up to our own day. It is admitted that there are a few unsolved questions, but it is expected that soon the gaps will be filled up, and the history of matter and of life completed. We are glad to meet such buoyancy of spirit, and vigor of imagination, but with such a depressing docurine we scarcely expected it. And we are specially interested when one of this school traces with confidence, if not clearness, the passage from "waves of force" through "neutral tremors" into simple sensations and elaborate conceptions, and all this without a soul Truly it is marvellous, and so agnosticism has solved for her " the problems of life aci mind." And yet Professor Tyndai had said "the passage from the physics of the bran to the facts of consciousness is unthinkable So it is admitted on the highest scientific authority that there is something behind its brain, and we are allowed to call that some thing "soul," if we remember that "! are talking poetry and not science. Accord ing to that view of poetry it may be the poetry deals with realities as important a the "facts of science."

"Thoughts whose very sweetness yieldeth pm"
That they were born for immortality."

It has often been remarked the Tolstoi seems to be unable to make overts by his teachings. There is, however, one exception. Prince Dimits Khilkow, a rich Russian noble, has given up his estates to his tenants, reserving only a small plot, which he is tilling in person. His influence over the surrounding population is said to be very great, drumberness and violence have practically casted. The disciple has evidently greated. The disciple has evidently greated influence than the master, for Tolstoir regarded by his tenants with suspicion.

Missionary World.

PRESENT-DAY HEROINES ON THE MISSION FIELD.

Since the Apostle of the Gentiles paid eloquent tribute, in the sixteenth chapter of Romans, to a noble company of female helpers, what numbers of honorable women of every age and nation have exhibited similar heroic consecration!

The heroines belonging to the earlier part of this century dreamed not of the glory attaching to their pioneership. Stars in the darkness once, they now shine with deepening lustre. The names of Ann H. Judson, Miss Fiske, Mary Mostatt, Miss Fay, and Miss Field, of Ohina; Mrs. Pruyn, of Japan; and kindred souls of former years, are surrounded to-day by a galaxy of bright witnesses.

What is known as Zenana work, principally consisting of educational and medical activities, has won triumphs of which even Christendom has faint Enowledge. India, China, Turkey, and North Africa have especially been identified with these operations. Woman's gentle ministry in Hindostan, whether composed of British or American societies, or the Lady Dusterin Fund, is admitted by intelligent Hindoos to be one of the strongest conquering forces for Christ in that vast Empire. In this and corresponding spheres Mrs. Karmarker, of Bombay; Madame Sorabji Cavalier, Pundita Ramabai, and others, are a fraction of a glorious company who worthily tread in the footsteps of A. L. O. E. (Miss Tucker)-a name treasured wherever known-and the now lamented Miss Louisa M. Hook, of Calcutta, a missionary of the Women's Union Missionary Society (U. S. A.), who clung to her post with extraordinary fidelity, only taking one furlough during her long term of service, beginning in 1868, and was instrumental in securing numerous laborers for the redemption of the women of India. The North Africa mission, embracing Morocco, Algeria, Tunis, and Tripoli, has over a score of women missionaries, whose solitary steadfastness and fervid devotion deserve wider appreciation.

A forerunner of this band was the venerated Miss Tulloch, to the memory of whom the Tulloch Memorial Hospital at Tangler has been erected on the spot where she "fell asleep," and in which hundreds of patients of every race, color, and African speech, are annually received. Miss Herdman, the first lady missionary to Fez, some ten years ago, is a distinguished member of a group of ladies whose ministry is unsurpassed in relieving sadly neglected sisters on North African soil.

China and adjacent countries have enioyed ardent and gracious messengers of the Gosp I. The life work of Miss Baxter, a herald of medical missions in Hong Kong. is gratefully cherished. More recently the evangelistic endeavors of Miss Geraldine Guinness may be linked with the resolution, single-mindedness, and endurance of Miss Taylor in her missionary journey to far Thibet. In a greater measure have the unique achievements of Mrs. Isabella Bird Bishop commanded notice and admiration. It is not too much to say that no lady of any communion or period in the history of the Church of Christ has travelled, investigated or contributed so extensively, in order to bring the claims of suffering and degraded women in Eastern Empires before the attention of God's people. Her undaunted chivalry and indifference to privations joins Mrs. Bishop's record with those of the late Mrs. Schauftler or Mrs. Murilla B. Ingalls, of Thonze, Burmah. The narrative of Miss Seymour's twenty-five years' toil in Harpoot an another admirable illustration of the power of missionary enthusiasm.

Nor has darkest Africa lacked the presence of the King's ambassadors. How self-abnegatingly nliss Mary L. Whate gave her entire strength and means in ounding Christian schools and a medical

terminating with her widely-mourned decease thirty years afterwards! The name of Madame Coillard sheds a halo over the Barotsi mission, and of worthy mention also is Mrs. C. J. Laffin, who travelled the greater length of a journey to Efulen, a station of the Presbyterian Board, and was the first white woman to penetrate the interior behind the coastbelt at Batanga, West Africa. On the same continent, by the Congo, the hazardous labors of Miss Silvey among the Bayansi have become familiar, and those of Miss Isabella Nassau, who made this good confession from her station on the Ogowe river, Western Africa-"In lonely places, with only three or four trusted Christian natives, surrounded by crowds of wild people, neither by day nor by night have I feared, though, doubtless, there was at times reason for doing so." These assuredly are counted in the gallery of the faithful who are to rule the world in Christ's kingdom.

The islands of the sea suggest fellow-workers in the missionary apostleship of women. In illustration of these may be cited Mrs. Lawes, the honored wife of Dr. W. G. Lawes, of South eastern New Guinea, or Maggie Whitecross Paton, of America, whose letters just published set forth the unconscious manner of life pursued and crowned.

To these bearers of the Cross the Church of God is everywhere a standing debtor. They have shown the strength of the controlling spirit of Jesus Christ, and how truly the love of the Lord passeth all things for illumination.—Rev. James Johnson, in the Sunday School Times.

Dr. A. T. Pierson says: When Dr. Duff began work in Calcutta he found that a cow had more rights and higher rank than a woman, and he said that to try to educate women in India was as vain as to attempt to "scale a wall 500 yards high." To-day in the Province of Bengal alone 100,000 women and girls are under instruction, and India's most gifted daughters are laying hold of the treasures of the higher education. Zenana doors have been unlocked by the gentle hand of Christlan womanhood, and a transformation is already accomplished which centuries of merely human wisdom and power could not even have begun.

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Uganda: The Inspiration of Sacrifice.—At a meeting of the Church Missionary Society held in London on 16th May, to take leave of ten missionaries for Uganda—five men and five women, the latter being the first female missionaries sent to that country—one of the party said: "It is useless to deny the fact that we carry our lives in our hands. But let no one say, even if some of us should never reach Uganda, that their lives have been lost. I know of four men now in the field who are out there as the direct result of one life laid down on the shores of Africa almost before his work was begun."

Faithful unto Death.—From Mongolia comes news of the death of the last convert whom Mr. Gilmour baptized. She was the daughter of the mission gatekeeper. Her death is ascribed to the unmerciful cruelty of her mother-in-law, who tried to force her to burn incense. When she was dying she tried to sing a hymn which Mr. Gilmour taught her, the chorus of which is, "Wait a little while, and we shall see Jesus." The missionary's works do follow him.

mission in Cairo, dating from 1860, and only PULPIT, PRESS AND PLATFORM.

Washington Gladden: It is better to say, "This one thing I do," than to say, "These forty things I dabble in."

Lutheran Observer: Silence is not always golden. There are sins of omission as well as commission, and silence is often one of them.

Ram's Horn: Too many Christians never expect any help from God until everything else fails. Better count on Him from the beginning.

Phillips Brooks, D.D.: Life is too short to nurse one's misery. Hurry across the lowlands, that you may spend more time on the mountain-tops.

Dr. Wm. M. Taylor: Christ fits his ministers through manifold experiences of sorrow and pain for the highest service. He writes their best sermons for them on their own hearts by the sharp stylus of trial. Such as he would make most eminent in his service, he takes furthest with him into Gethsemane.

Joseph Parker, D.D.: God will not forsake a man who has been "wholly" devoted to him. O, poor heart, wondering when the good time is to come, when Hebron is to fall in as part of the inheritance, take courage. God knows every word He has spoken. When he does bring in the inheritance it will be no little measurable Canaan, but all heaven's blessedness.

Rev. Wm. Cochrane, D.D.: It is not necessary that we should do great things to be held in remembrance and make our lives potential for good. Few comparatively ever attain positions of eminence. Nay, it is not those who occupy commanding positions that are as a general rule crowned with earthly immortality. Surely then it is worth the living for thus to set in motion forces that shall continue to act long after we have passed away. A word, a look, an act, may seem in themselves very insignificant things, but they carry with them results that we cannot trace. A very solemn responsibility thus attaches to every individual.

Rev. Wm. Cochrane, D.D.: The future greatness and influence of this Province, next to the faithful preaching of the gospel, depends upon the character and efficiency of its schools, and he who can at this time contribute in any way to conciliate opposition, while at the same time retaining and maintaining the rights of a free state to legislate in accordance with what it deems best for the good of all, without distinction of creeds and classes, is deserving of lasting fame. May God grant that this young Province may be able itself to solve a problem which has, and is still, perplexing other older lands, and bind together more closely than ever all parties and denominations for the further progress of this highly favored land.

Richard Jefferies: To my fancy, the spring, with its green corn, its violets, and hawthorn leaves, and increasing song, grows yearly dearer and more dear to this our ancient earth. So many centuries have flown. Now it is the manner with all natural things to gather, as it were, by smallest particles. The merest grain of sand drifts unseen into a crevice, and by and by another; after a while there is a heap; a century and it is a mound, and then every one observes and comments on it. Time itself has gone on like this; the years have accumulated, first in drifts, then in heaps, and now a vast mound, to which the mountains are knolls, rises up and overshadows us. Time lies heavy on the world. The old, old earth is glad to turn from the cark and care of driftless centuries to the first sweet blades of green.

Christian Endeavor.

OUR CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR PLEDGE—ITS JOYS, ITS REQUIREMENTS.

REV. W. S. MCTAVISH, B.D.

Sept. 22nd.-Eccl. 5, 1-7.

Our pledge is of the nature of a vow. We were not obliged to take it, but since we have taken it we should earnestly and honestly try to keep it inviolate. It is well to renew our covenant obligations for their full significance is not taken in at a glance. Probably for this reason our attention is called again to the plege.

We have pledged ourselves to do whatever Christ would like to have us do. This involves a great deal. The pledge of the Epworth League is slightly different from ours in this respect, for it involves the idea of trying to ascertain what the will of Christ is. As a matter of fact we should be as carnest in trying to learn His will as in doing it when we know it. Paul blamed the Jews because they had a zeal for God but not according to knowledge; and while it is true that the best of men may make mistakes as to the path of duty, yet before we take a single step, we should try to ascertain which way we ought to go. If we are really in earnest we shall hear a voice behind us saying "This is the way, walk ye in it." A large measure of joy is meted out to the one who walks in the way of the divine commandments. John said he had no greater joy than to see his spiritual children walking in the truth, and doubtless they, too, participated in the joy-

By the terms of our pledge we must engage daily in devotion. No definite hours or times are specified. It is left to the individual Endeavorer to fix whatever time or times he finds most convenient. Daniel prayed three times a day. The Psalmist prayed seven times a day. To pray by rule may not be the ideal method; but the best way to overcome the necessity of using a rule is to make a faithful use of it as long as we require it. The best way for a school boy to get beyond the need of the headlines in his copy-book is to make a faithful copy of the headline as long as he needs it. So it may seem a mechanical kind of religion when we pledge ourselves to pray and read the Bible every day, but we shall get beyond the need of a pledge sooner by using it faithfully in the meantime. If we faithfully observe the pledge for a considerable time, we shall be enabled to sing—

"Oh the pure delight of a single hour
That before Thy throne I spend,
When I kneel in prayer and with Thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend!"

The pledge also requires us to support our own Church in every way. If "the dearest spot on earth is home," then our own Church home should be dearer to us than any other Church. God once said to Israe! "Why gaddest thou about to change thy place?" One can scarcely refrain from asking that question when he sees "rounders" going about from church to church as if they were poor and homeless ecclesiastically. What a joy to the true Christian to attend the sanctury which he has learned to love because of its many pleasant associations and because he has often met God, his Father, there!

"I love to tread the hallowed courts Where two or three for worship meet, For thither Christ Himself resorts And makes the little band complete."

We should be able to say as we look up reverently to God, "I have loved the habitation of Thy house and the place where Thine honor dwelleth."

Our pledge further requires us to take some part in the meeting. At first there may be little joy in this—indeed it may be engaged in with great fear and trembling; but if we find, as most likely we shall, that someone has been helped, comforted, or encouraged by our imperfect attempts, we shall experience a joy which no man can take from us. Does it not seem as if Paul had a Christian Endeavor meeting in his eye when he wrote first Cor. x.v. 24-26, "But if all prophesy, and there come in one that believeth not, etc.?" The most beneficial result followed that meeting, and those who had a share in it had good reason to be

There are other requirments and other toys but space forbids our dealing with them

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A RE Canadians becoming a frivolous people who prefer amusement and excitement to earnest business and solid instruction. That question comes up every autumn when one sees the efforts that are made to "draw the crowd" to the fall exhibitions especially to "Canada's greatest Fair." Is this annual effort to combine amusement with instruction a compliment to the growing intelligence of the people or is it simply an effort to make money out of them. If the people are not growing frivolous they will soon settle the question themselves.

X / E would ask the attention of our readers to the advertisement in our columns of Miss Martha Smith, B.E., daughter of the late Rev. John Smith of this city. Miss Smith is already well known in many parts of the country for the instructive and elevating character of her readings and recitations. They are especially suited for Sunday schools, Christian Endeavor, and Church purposes, and they could hardly in any other way provide for themselves and their friends a more pleasing and profitable evening than by securing the services of Miss Smith.

THE city is gay with bunting and streamers and hundreds of visitors throng the streets drawn by the attractions of what is now an established and continually improving institution, Toronto's great annual Industrial Exhibition. The entries of all kinds, the directors announce, are more in number this year than ever before, and the lighter attractions which vary in character from year to year were never more varied and attractive than this year. As it presents at one view a picture yearly of the country's progress, it will well repay a visit of all, whether farmers or mechanics, manufacturers, business or even pro-

E regret having overlooked at the time it took place the ordination and designation as a missionary to Honan, China, of Rev. James Menzies, M.D. It took place in the church of North Westminster, near London, where Mr. Menzies had formerly been a school teacher, and which, on the occasion was filled to the doors with a deeply interested audience. A large gathering of ministers and elders from neighboring congrega-tions was present. The Rev. George Sutherland, Moderator of the Presbytery, presided, and con-ducted the ordination and designation services. Rev. James Little, of Birr, preached; Rev. J. Currie address the people, and the pastor of the congregation, Rev. E. H. Sawers, addressed the

missionary, to whom, also, Rev. J. A. Macdonald, of St. Thomas, on behalf of the Foreign missionary committee, presented, according to the usual custom, a handsome Oxford Bible. Thus the ranks of our missionary band in Honan, which, for a time were so depleted, are being filled up with good and devoted men and women.

OT long ago we heard of an American citizen who nearly destroyed himself with an overdose of medicine. He explained it by saying that he took his drugs on the principle that if some does good, more must do more good. Judging from his first letter to the Globe on the Manitoba school question Principal Grant thinks that Mr. Joseph Martin and Premier Bowell have treated the Manitoba schools in much the same way. Five years ago Mr. Martin saw that the school law of 1870 needed some treatment, and he gave it a very drastic dose. Premier Bowell saw, or thought he saw that the patient needed a Remedial Order, and he administered another dose as drastic as Mr. Martin's. Old experienced physicians like Sir John Macdonald or Sir Oliver would have given milder medicine and trusted more to the healing influence of time and the recuperative power of the Patient. Mr. Martin was a young Physician and Mr. Bowell a young Premier, and young Doctors generally administer strong doses. When the Premiers meet in Winnipeg perhaps they may reduce the power of the medicine.

THE resolution of sympathy passed at the last meeting of the Toronto Presbytery with the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell will, to many of our readers, be the first intimation they have had of his being seriously ill. This will be a cause of concern and grief to the whole Presbyterian Church in Canada, and to a great many in all the evangelical churches in the land. Mr. Macdonnell's personal character, amiable and manly Christian disposition; his eminent and self-sacrificing services in the cause of Christ through our Church, and in many other ways, have endeared him to a very wide circle of friends from the Atlantic to the Pacific who will all feel deeply for him in the illness which has come upon him. Thousands of Christian people will bear him upon their hearts in earnest supplications to God both in private and in public, that He, in His great mercy and goodness, may be pleased so to bless all the means used, that he may be again restored to health and strength, to his own congregation and to the Church at large which is dear to his heart, and which he has served so faithfully and well. We are one with the Toronto Presbytery in heartfelt sympathy with and prayers for Mr. Macdonnell's recovery.

T is worthy of remark that the number in the class which has just graduated in Manitoba Theological College after the Summer Session is so large (thirteen in all) and that several of them have taken their whole theological course in the sum-Rev. Principal Grant well said in mer session. his remarks that it was the duty of the Church to maintain in Manitoba so thoroughly well equipped an institution that nothing could be gained by young Manitobans going anywhere else. It is also clear to everyone that the man who has made and is making the greatest sacrifice for the sake of the College and for the Church through our Manitoba College is Dr. King. It may be perfectly true, also, as Dr. Grant said, that "the progress of the Church was only possible through the sacrifice of our best men, and that it is thus that heroes are made." We do not know how Principal King enjoys the prospect of becoming a hero at the price of being sacrificed. He is the last man to complain himself, but it is high time the Church should take thought whether it is doing right, whether it is even good policy longer to ask Dr. King to sacrifice himself on her behalf in building up Manitoba College, and being also responsible for the management of the summer session. No professor in the Church teaches more hours a week —we question if there is one teaches as many—for six months in the year, as Dr. King teaches for eleven months, to say nothing of the other onerous and responsible duties which devolve upon him as head of the College. Much has been accomplished by him, but much yet remains to be done, and no one is so well able to do it as he; but if he is to do it the Church should, without his waiting to ask for it, and before it is too late, give

him some relief by providing him with more help. To make heroes by sacrificing some of the best men may sometimes be a necessity for the Church, but we fail to see that any such necessity exists in this present case, and it is to be hoped that our Church will not from mere thoughtlessness or want of liberality insist any longer to her own cost on Dr. King being made a sacrifice of. As true heroes may be made by the Church and with much more profit to herself and the cause of Christ by caring for her best men and husbanding their time and strength to do their best work, as by sacrificing them, let the Church, in this instance, take warning before it is too late.

CCORDING to the instructions of the Gen-A eral Assembly, in all these congregations where no other arrangement exists for raising money in support of the schemes of the Church, Sabbath next, the third Sabbath of September, is the one appointed for taking up a collection in behalf of the colleges. As most if not all our colleges are more or less burdened with debt, and require a large amount annually to meet running expenses, in addition to dition to what is obtained from investments, it is desirable that this collection should be made in every congregation where it is not otherwise provided for, and that it should be adequate to the needs of the colleges. No Church insists more strenuously than our own upon having a welleducated ministry, and people who insist upon this should give evidence of their sincerity and appreciation of an educated ministry by making ample provision for the colleges which exist, and are maintained solely for this purpose. It is unnecessary to say that the need of a well-furnished ministry has never because of a well-furnished ministry has never been greater than it is now, and consequently there never has been a louder call than now for the means to provide such a ministry. Every collection appointed by the Assembly to be made should be made unless other arrangements exist for it in every congregation and this one is of vital importance and necessity.

THE LATE CONVENTION.

HE convention held in this city last week for the deepening of the Spiritual Life was one so striking and solemnizing, the feelings produced by it were so sacred, it took those really in full sympathy with it so directly into the presence of God, that it would be quite impossible to give an adequate idea of it by any amount of writing, still less can it be done within the compass of a single column. We can only notice very briefly a few of its salient features, leaving the main subject for future fuller treatment. The object of it, the deepening of the spiritual life, was somewhat uncommon, out of the usual course of large public conventions as hitherto held in this city. It was not evangelistic in the sense that its object was the preaching of the gospel to those ignorant of or indifferent to it. It was for Christian people and the deepening of their spiritual life. It extended over three days, from Tuesday to Thursday inclusive. After a very pleasant gathering of friends and. sympathisers on Monday evening to give Rev. Mr. Murray a becoming reception, Rev. Dr. Pierson not having use acrise. not having yet arrived, the meetings began properly with one for prayer on Tuesday morning in one of the smaller rooms of Association Hall. "Let the friends sit well forward; in battle the brave soldiers press up to the front," were the words spoken in new and rather unmusical tones which first greeted our ears. They were spoken by Rev. Andrew Murray, who as soon as he entered the room, entered also upon the work he had come for. The room was small and far from full. The second meeting was held in the hall in the afternoon and was large for a first meeting and for the time of day, and each succeeding one on to the end was larger than the one before. They were striking meetings. The glad and happy, or placid and earnest, devout expression on the faces that one saw all around was very noticeable. While all ages were there, yet the number of aged people, quiet-looking, thoughtful, serene and grave, appeared large, but larger were those in young manhood and womanhood, and a good representation of all between filling up, especially in the evenings, the whole space to the number of between two and three thousand. It was interesting, and indicative

of the character of the meetings, to overhear the religious conversation that went on before they began between people who evidently were unknown There pervaded the meetings to each other. from first to last a most social feeling, and as often the same people met in the same part of the hall, before the close they felt like friends of one another. All denominations were there and the Catholicity of the audience was well represented on the platform and by those who in turn Presided. So genuinely Christian and brotherly was the pervading feeling that ot a note was uttered during the whole convention by which It was possible to tell to what denomination anyone belonged. The unity and deeply spiritual character of the subjects presented, and the method of their treatment, while it had not been so, was as if it had been pre-arranged and kept steadily in view, and it tended much to deepen and intensify the impression produced.

The simplicity of the management and conducting of the large and thronging numbers was a most helpful and agreeable feature of those meetings. There was no fussy, self-important manager-inchief rushing hither and thither, hailing now this one and now that, distracting, vexing and worrying the minds of quiet people. Everything went on with a smoothness as if somehow the convention ran of itself with the quietness of a well-oiled machine. When the audience had assembled and before the formal opening, Mr. Jacobs, who led the singing in admirable style and spirit, appeared on the platform and gave out distinctly, quietly, as if it were really the worship of God which was to be engaged in, a suitable hymn, and accompanied on the piano by a lady, or on the organ by a gentleman whose demeanor was serious and becoming, the praise was conducted in a way that was simply delightful. There was none of the distraction of a large choir, not half of whom perhaps had any real heart-interest in the worship. And such singing! so led, such a swelling volume and tide of praise; it was gladdening, uplifting, enlarging to the heart and making it receptive. It was to our mind a model praise service, and happy would the churches be that could or would just copy it.

The speakers and soul of the convention on the human side were only two, and they were enough; men different, but both of them men ot great power. There was Rev. Dr. Pierson, a man of high intellectuality, ratiocinative, whose heart truth must reach and impress through the reason and understanding, and who instinctively seeks to reach others in that way; a full man, with a wealth of knowledge of the Scriptures in the vernacular and original, and of secular science, which, with great facility, he draws upon and uses for illustration, who has reached his present spiritual standing only after some very humbling experiences, and who has still, we should say, no small struggle to keep up against the flesh not yet thoroughly subdued; making freely frequent personal references, and of a fiery energy; he was the Paul of the occasion. Rev. Mr. Murray was more of the emotional, meditative; the purely spiritual, mystical we might call it in the theological sense dominating him, dwelling in more ethereal, purer, spiritual atmosphere than the other, more wrap-Ped up and completely absorbed with the presence of the Divine Being, with more immediate and clearer spiritual vision of divine things, as if they were the very element in which he lived moved and had his being; he was the apostle John of the two, the man who sat closest to His Master and leaned his head upon His breast. His prayers, his appeals, his wonderful insight into, his knowledge and laying bare before people the working of their own hearts, will never be forgotten by many who heard him, and came under his magnetic spiritual power.

YOUNG PEOPLES' SOCIETIES MIS-SIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

DERHAPS after the correspondence which has taken place in our columns on this subject it may appear that it is one on which, according to the old proverb, "the least said is soonest mended." And yet perhaps a few words to help to dispel any little haze upon the subject which may still be left will not be out of place. We need not bear testimony to the excellent spirit which has marked the correspondence; that is what we would expect from the men and has been manifest to all. The little apparent conflict of interests which has arisen, has

evidently been due to causes, none of which imply blame to anyone concerned.

The first one we may note is a prevailing impression on the minds of many, for which we suspect there is good reason, that an undue proportion of the contributions of our Young Peoples' Societies, Christian Endeavor and others, goes to the support of objects, which though good, are yet extra denominational, even although our own denominational objects, equally good, are enfeebled for want of adequate support. All will agree that the effort to correct that evil and put our denominational Christian objects and work in the highest state of efficiency is legitimate and right. The next point which may be noted is that the slight variance which has arisen, was due to a desire, which all will welcome as most commendable, to advance the cause of misions among the young people of our Church. The immediate cause of difference as to the means taken to promote this object, by those who took action, was a misunderstanding of the scope, perhaps also to some extent of the purport of the letter of Dr. Cochrane, and his position in regard to the whole matter. What he intended as a private communication and the expression of personal opinions were understood in both cases to be official and authoritative. This was most innocently done, and not unnatural perhaps in the zeal and anxiety for missions felt by those who drew up and sent forth the circular which led to this correspondence.

The correspondence having taken place, and Dr. Cochrane's explanation having been given, it will of course follow that from the circular will be erased, the clause assigning British Columbia for the young people's support. There could not be, it is certain any disposition on the part of any one to interfere with the Home Mission Committee's management of their own department of the The scheme, however, so far as Church's work. Foreign Missions are concerned, we understand, will be carried out, and the young people of the Church are accordingly asked to apply their offerings for Foreign Missions this year towards the support of the Mission in Honan. We may repeat what we have already said that we regard the scheme as having some good features not the least of which is that, it will make correspondence between the societies and missionaries more close and personal, and if as is proposed, different fields are taken up one year after another, the results must be satisfactory avoiding as it will the narrowness usually resulting from specialization. We recognize, however, that this does not apply in the same degree to the Home Mission fields and that what may be the best policy in the one may not be so in the

We may add by way of caution that, while in our Church there is no desire to exhibit or cultivate the narrowness which would strictly limit all contributions to purely denominational Christian objects, wisdom and care should be shown in giving to those which are extra-denominational and that there should also be the most loyal, hearty and liberal support of our own Church work through the ordinary Church channels. There needs to be constant watchfulness exercised in the addition to the machinery, so to speak, for carrying on our Church work, as there is a natural tendency so to increase it that the attention is directed to and taken up with the means rather than with the end.

How to secure the most loyal and hearty support for all our Church schemes and direct it so as to be most effective are questions of the utmost importance. As things actually are, other schemes of our Church, in addition to Home and Foreign Missions, or special fields, have received support from our Young Peoples' Societies in the past and have recognized claims upon them, especially Augmentation and French Evangelization, and while it may be hoped that the missionary contributions (Home and Foreign) of these societies will be greatly increased, these other objects may fully expect that their support will not be lessened, but rather increased also. Seeing that the General Assembly at its last meeting sanctioned a permanent, standing committee to deal with the whole subject of Young Peoples' Societies and their relations with the Church, we may in a few months expect some valuable light and leading from this committee, and in the meantime let those societies, both as a matter of duty and of privilege, do t heir utmost for the interests of the Church and the cause of Christ in the future even more than in the

Teacher and Scholar.

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 $\underset{1895.}{\mathbf{Sep.~22nd}}$ Joshua Renewing the Covenant. $\{\underset{14\cdot25.}{\mathbf{Josh.~x\,xiv}}$

GOLDEN TEXT.—Josh, xxiv. 24, MEMORY VERSES,—xiv, 15,

CATECHISM,-Q. 38.

Home Readings.—*M*. Exodus, xix, 1-25. *Tu*. Deut. xxviii. 1-22. *W*. Deut. xxviii. 23-40. *T*. Deut. xxviii. 41; xxix. 1. *F*. I. Kings xviii. 19-39. *S*. Deut. xxviii. 1-10; Josh. viii. 30-35. *Su*. Josh xxiv. 1-25.

The life of Joshua is drawing near to a close. For probably about twenty-five years he has had the direction and control of Israel, while Canaan was being taken possession of, divided among the several tribes, and gradually brought under cultivation by the Israelites themselves. Though there have been several years of peaceful enjoyment of the good land, Joshua has not been idle or unattentive to the condition of things among the people. He has noted their proneness to depart from the living God; and now as he feels that his years are numbered, and that to some one else must be entrusted the supervision of the people he makes one last effort to "bind the wandering hearts" anew to Jehovah. All Israel is gathered to Shechem; and there Joshua recounts briefly what God had done for them from the call of Abraham to that day; testifies that not one good thing has failed of what God spake; and warns that God will be just as sure to visit infidelity with evil as He has been to keep His promise; and then calls upon them to renew their Covenant. Let us try to array our thoughts under the heads: "The Choice Called For," "The Choice Made," "The Choice Confirmed."

Made," "The Choice Called For.—After recounting God's goodness, Joshua calls upon the people to fear the Lord and to give Him the service of loyal hearts; instead of the half-hearted service which apparently many had been offering. Some of the people seem to have professed outward loyalty to Jehovah, while they secretly practised the worship of such gods as their fathers had served in Mesopotamia and during the Egyptian bondage. We have no certain information as to the character of this worship. We know, however, that when Jacob with his wives and children stole away from the service of Laban, "Rachel stole the teraphim of her father," and that Laban called these his "gods," so that household idols in some form or other were worshipped, but whether as themselves gods, or as symbols of the true God, we cannot tell. Either was of course contrary to the law of God. Joshua's call was, therefore, to a clear cut choice between Jehovah worship in all its purity, and idol worship pure and simple. There must henceforth be no pretence, the people must be out and out for God or against Him, and are therefore called upon to put themselves on record as to where they shall choose to stand. And then Joshua, to show which he believes the people ought to choose, declares "as for me and my house we will serve the Lord." It is right for us not only to call upon others to make choice of Christ, but to set them an example by putting ourselves boldly and unreservedly upon His side and undertaking to use our influence and authority to secure loyal service to Christ on the part of those over whom we have control.

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II. The Choice Made.—The people with one accord followed Joshua's example, and expressed the utmost abhorrence at the suggestion that they should forsake the Lord who had wrought such marvels both for their deliverance from bondage and to secure them in the possession of their promised land. They had been careless and half-hearted in Jehovah's service, but when they were called upon to surrender it, were startled at the proposition. Is it not true of very many around us? is it not true of our own hearts that we do not appreciate the blessedness of God's service as we ought? At some crisis in our lives we realize the comfort and blessedness of being Christ's, but we do not "lean upon our Beloved" from day to day, in such a way as to find great delight in His presence. We would not forsake our Lord, we would be shocked at the suggestion; but it is just such half-hearted following that induces such suggestions from the tempter, and, alas, too often, leads to denial of the Master. Israel, however, at once declared unreservedly for Jehovah with a "God forbid" that it should be otherwise. Their choice was a virtual pledge that henceforth all other form of worship, than that of Jehovah according to His own appointment, will be put away and Him alone will they serve. Joshua s heart must have rejoiced, but he did not at once take it for granted that all he desired had been secured. He sought to put beyond doubt the question of the people's understanding of the position they had taken. Therefore he reminded the people of what the service of Jehovah a difficult thing, and failure would merit and receive punishment. Doubtless Joshua desired to test the people's sincerity, and at the same time to bring them to realize their need of som

the choice made was made with understanding, and in sincere dependence upon God's grace, loshua proceeded to solemnly ratify it. First, the people are put upon oath as to their sincerity and determination to serve Jehovah. "We are witnesses," they say, "that we have chosen Jehovah to serve Him." Then they are called upon to put away everything inconsistent with the choice they have declared, and to yield their whole hearts unto Jehovah the God of Israel. They must not be content with profession but must follow it up with "works meet for repentance." And, lastly, after a renewed declaration of their faith in Jehovah and their determination to obey Him alone, Joshua engaged them in solemn covenant with Jehovah, as had been done at Sinai, and again on the plains of Moab, by Moses, and made a record of what had been done in the book of the law of the Lord to be a "statute and an ordinance" unto the people forever. We are not told anything of the ceremonies which attend this solemn covenant rite, but doubtless they were such as went to deepen upon the people's minds the solemnity of their undertaking and to impress them with their need of reconciliation with, and grace from God to enable them to be faithful

to their undertakings.

The Family Circle.

A COUNTRY EVENING.

Away from sounding shore and mountain side, I came to where a country village lies; And here I watch the moon rise through the trees. And sit at rest beneath the summer skies.

The twilight thickens fast, and now the birds Are sleeping; hushed are all their happy calls Across the village green the parish church Stands, ivy clad, with moonbeams on its walls.

The house dog, lying near me, starts to hear The restless horses neighing in their stalls. The cricket chirps above the willow's sigh, ... hile flits the bat where deepest shadow falls.

The night wears on ; the village lies asleep ; My soul drinks deep a draught of perfect rest.
Old dreams come back 'mid future visions fair Old loves awake that slumbered in the breast.

On such a night the soul is free, and flees The world of care and pain and troubled sigh, And could I sing that deep, sweet peace, the song Would rise to angels' ears and thrill the sky. -By E. S. Middleton.

ON A BEE-LINE.

I have been asked to tell how to follow the wild bee. I think the simplest way is to describe how a boy of my acquaintance served his apprenticeship—can it be possible?—yes, ah me! it was thirty years ago!

THE LINE. Uncle Ben Lancastereverybody's "Uncle Ben"—had been over the night before and obtained a glad assent to his proposition for the morrow. "Meet me at Farguson's hut on t'other side of Butter Hill before the dew is gone. We want ter ketch the fust bee. I'll be thar before you be." The boy knew the old man's ways, and that he would be at the rendezvous by sunrise, though nine o'clock would have been early enough for their purpose. He was too excited to sleep much, and it was still dark when he left his father's door.

Down the hill, past the spring, where Idlewild stream heads; by the Clove Road, and over the "Passage;" the flank of Storm King turned, and then the ascent toward that promontory where stood-and still stands-the ruin of Ferguson's hut. Who knows who Ferguson was, and why he lived in this inaccessible

As the boy turned toward the east the sun came over Crow's Nest Mountain. There stood Uncle Ben-hatless, his long white hair stirring ir the rising breeze, his kind old face upturned to greet the god of day. On a limb near by a snowsparrow added his vocal thanksgiving for the beneficent light. How many men of Uncle Ben's class, mountaineers though they bee, would get up and walk three miles to see the sun rise over a particular stretch of river and mountain and valley As he turned to greet his companion his face shone, his eye was moist.

"Wall, boy, you here? You'd orter be in bed. How'd ye know I d be here this time er day? Yes, the ole man loves ter see the sun rise here, fur thar hain't no housen in sight; only the river and the mountings. Down thar, that's Cherry Gardin, whar folks lived when I was a boy, and yonder's whar my grandfather was buried. No one lives in the Clove now. Than's whar I runned away an' larred to chaw tobacker by trying to pizon a pilot-snake by tobacker-juice. Thar's what the parson from Buttermilk Falls killed the big copperhead and said he'd slain the sarpint at last. An' thar's what ole Tamar shantied one winter, an we had to carry grab in to her an' shovel her out—that was in '57, the big snow storm. Thar's whar the last bar was shot in these parts."

Uncle Ben had a pail with him. From it he took two cups, and two wooden covers out from a shingle, and put a bit of honeycomb in the cups, with a spray of goldenrod "fur the bee to stand on, so's he won't git daubed."

" Now, boy, watch that thar patch of posies; we must ketch the fust bee." Uncle Ben cut a hickory stick, split the top into four quarters so that the cup would be held in it, and set it up on the point of rock that juts out into the valley. "Here's a bee, Uncle Ben." "No, boy, that's a yaller-jacket;" and Uncle Ben pinched him off the flower with his fingers unmindful of the sting. "No, that thar's not a honey-bee; that's a June bee," He meant what wiser men call a drone, but "June bee" he is for all our native bee-hunters. How too much science spoils for us, ofttimes, the wood and sir and sea! Yes, "the letter killeth "very often outside of Presbytery as well as within.

On a nodding goldenrod at last a honey-bee stands feeding. There is no mistake this time. She is a worker, and after honey nectar. She is not after pollen to masticate and form "bread;" there are no yellow balls impaled upon the bristles of the thigh. Uncle Ben holds the cup below her with the left hand, approaches the cover over her until she is between cup and cover, yet neither his shadow nor the cover's has fallen on the bee to affright and warn her. By a dexterous tap she is imprisoned in the cup. and right angrily does she buzz in her prison! But already she has scented the honey; her buzz ceases. Uncle Ben peers in and sees her at work; her proboscis is deep in a cell, and as she draws in the welcome ready-made honey her whole body quivers with the effort; or is it excitement; They have set the cup upon the stick, seated themselves, and await her flitting. Soon she crawls up to the edge of the cup, and off she goes. The boy has lost her alroady, but Uncle Ben, flat upon his back, is describing widening circles with his index-finger in the air, while he says: "I see him yit, I see him yit, I see him yit! Thar! he made five circles and then flew straight toward that thar pepperage—the red one -yonder. That's a good line. Now time him." Then the boy tried his hand, and by and by he caught a bee, and he flew only to alight on a bush near by. "He's daubed. He'll clean himself and fly by and by. He's got some honey on his wings." Then they sat and watched and waited, warmed by the half-sad light of the September sun, drinking in the beauty of the Hudson's fairest valley, while Uncle Ben told the boy the habits of the wisest of all God's lowly creatures.

"Your daddy don't hunt bees, but he read me about them, an' I hain't one of them what despises book-larnin'. He said the bees can't hear nothing, and know one another by their smell. I don't know how that is, but I know'd a man who kep' bees, an' he said that if you mixed two swarms they'd fight unless you sprinkled them with popperment or some other strong-smellin' stuff. I know they can see powerful, and smell honey a desprit ways off, any how. Your daddy read how, when they fly, they hooks their four wings together in pairs-on each side, by little books on the edges, so the two pair become fairly one pair. And then thar's mason bees and carpenterbees, who make mud houses or bore holes in wood; and your daddy said the bees

is all hatched from eggs laid by the queen, an' she kin lay thousands of eggs in a day. But thar's our bee back !"

The boy could hear and see her darting around and about the cup on the stick. Around and around she flew, and finally alighted, and at once began to feed. "Fifteen minutes, you say? The tree hain't so desprit fur off, if that's all the time he's been gone." "Do they never fail to come back, Uncle Ben?" "No, not unless it's too near dark, or a shower comes up, or it thunders. An' thar's his mato; they generally brings another bee back when they comes." The two bees soon filled themselves, and this time there was no preliminary circling, but off they darted "on a bee-line" for their tree. Uncle Ben said it was not over a mile or two away; that they were Italian bees, not the little native "black fellers." They had yellowish-brown stripes on their abdomens. Every June the hives become too crowded, and they "swarm." The colony divides; one remains loyal to home and queen, the other half emigrate, following another leader, and if undisturbed take up their new abode in some hollow tree-trunk, already

found and prepared by faithful scouts. Now the cups are replaced in the pail, and the pail hung on the stick. Soon a half-dozen bees are coming and going, and the line is well determined: straight toward that redleaved pepperage. Then, when four or five bees are within, Uncle Ben claps the cover on the pail and makes them captive. "What is that for? arn't we going to follow the line, Uncle Ben?" "Not yet; we don't want ter climb down that thar clift unless we have ter. Come ahead; we'll git a cross-line to 'em." Back along the mountain-side they hurried; past the hawk-tree; past the "house rock," past where John Losey treed the wild-cat, until they reached and ascended Walnut Ridge. Then the pail was hung on a limb, some honeycomb spread about on stumps, and the prisoners released. Around and around they flew, and not one fair line did the watchers get. But in less than half an hour "Bee back !" cried Uncle Ben, and soon a line was established as before. But this time the line was at almost right angles with the first, and Uncle Ben said they crossed on the hill near the Burnt Chestnut road. "Let's leave 'em to work, and sarch a while." So along the ridge they walked, past the old threshing-floor, abandoned for fifty years-unused since Uncle Harry Christian was a boy-down through the pepperage swamp and up to the burnt Chestnut Road. Here they separated, and each looked up the big trees in his particular route. "Sarch em well, boy. Hammer on 'em, and then listen to see if you hear bees roar inside." After a steep climb the boy heard Uncle Ben calling, and hurried to him in hopes he had found the tree. He was seated on a rock, and had spread out a very tempting lunch. "We may as well eat, boy; this is a good place."

Jane's pic, the boy started. "I'm sure there are bees somewhere near, I hear them." He looked at Uncle Ben; he was shaking with silent laughter. Up he jumped, and looked up and down and about. There was an oak below, the top level with their faces. In and out of a knot-hole the bees were darting, a busy multitude.- The tree was found, and Uncle Ben, who first discovered it, had chosen its proximity for luncheon to have a joke on his comrade.

Taking it up. It was a November morning. The tardy frost had killed the asters at last, and Uncle Ben said the time had come to "take up" the bee-tree. They might have done it when they found it, but there were now nearly two months' more winnings in it that in September. The boy has become a host, for Uncle Ben has invited his schoolmates, and here they are.

One carries the "bee-face" carefully -a wire gauze, oval dish-cover, with a veil of muslin to fall over the head and shoulders. You can see and breath in it, but not get stung Buckskin gloves for the hands, trousers tucked in boot-tops, and one is safe from the most vicious sting. Uncle Ben would scorn any such protection. His only concession is to roll down his sleeves and put on his hat as he chops with practiced arm at the

Over falls the hollow oak, laid gently among some sapplings, that let it down without smashing it into splinters. The tree is hardly horizontal before Uncle Ben has plugged with leaves the door way of the swarm. The late-comers grow in numbers. Up in the air where the tree-top used to be is a whirling, ex cited mass of been; their humming can be heard a long way. Imprisoned with in the hive are many more, and their united expostulation makes a dull, dead ened roar.

From his pocket Uncle Ben takes out a pair of overgrown sulphur matches, the heads as large as an Italian chestuut, and made by winding a rag about a stick's end and satrrating it with melted brimstone. A hole is cut in . . tree above the bees' doorway, the leaves removed from the latter, and the burning matches inserted. The smoke draws through, and the bees are dead. Cruel! Oh no; if robbed of their winter store so late in the fall they would starve—a much more painful and lingering taking off.

And now the boys can gather and watch the "blocking out." The store s exposed. Long, narrow combs, full of golden honey, yellow with the colour, spicy with the aroma of my favourite flower, the autumn goldenrod. I know not how many pounds this tree yieldedperhaps twenty, perhaps sixty. But no honey was ever richer, sweeter.

On the way home they crossed a piece of big timber, "a likely place for bee-trees." The boys were eager to find another tree. But there were no flowers at all. "We'll try em," said Uncle Ben, "anyhow; we'll burn for 'em.

On a big rock a fire was made and flat stones heated in it. When hot, pieces of honeycomb were placed on the stones. They melted and distilled, and the ar was filled with a delectable odor. It floated away on the breeze, and was walled through the timber. Pails were open ed and honey exposed, and all hands watched and waited. Sure enough: Sailing up the wind, head on, came a bee —then another. They circle around, sel-Half-way through a wedge of Aunt the on the comb, and fill their little bodies with honey. Off they fly, and now, with a line established, the second tree is found. In this one the bees enter new the ground, so there is no chopping down to be done. There are no matches left so the tree has to be fought for. But when once the az cuts through and the honey is broken, the bees give up the fight, and gorge themselves on the store they were just now defending.

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it—apiarists know this. Any sudden fright will make them eat their honey; and when a swarm is to be handled, a few puffs of tobacco-smoke, or even dust, into their doorway, will set them preying upon what they would otherwise give their lives to defend; and once full they are harmless.

The writer still follows the bee in the Highlands of the Hudson. There are still, thank God, unbroken reaches of forest, and fewer houses in the Clove and Canan Hollow and the Aleck Meadows than there were in 1865. But there is more of civilization on the margin of my charmed circle of mountain and forest There is a cheerful clubhouse—the Storm King—a carriage-road to West Point, and easier access from the great city.

Uncle Ben is gone. He rests beneath the shadow of Whitehorse Mountain. But health that waits on exercise abounds, the spring are as clear and cool and sweet, and the hemlocks as dark and shadowy in the glen. The goldenrod still woose the vagrant bee, her honey is still as sweet, and I fancy it is the same song-sparrow that sings to me by Ferguson's hut—the same gentle invitation to turn to Mother Nature and find, as he has done, "Sweet, sweet, sweet, very merry cheer."—The Outlook.

SOME CURIOUS TREES.

On the Canary Islands grows a fountain tree—a tree sorely needed in some parts of the island. It is said that the leaves constantly distil water enough to furnish drink to every living creature in Hiero, nature having provided this remedy for the drought of the island. Every morning near this part of the island a cloud of mist arises from the sea, which the winds force against the steep cliff on which the tree grows, and it is from the mist that the tree distils the water

China, too, claims her remarkable tree. This is known as the tallow tree, so called from the fact of its producing a substance like tallow, and which serves the same purpose, is of the same consistence, color and smell. On the island of Loo-Choo grows a tree about the size of a common cherry tree, which possesses the peculiarity of changing the color of its blossoms. At one time the flower assumes the tint of the lily, and again shortly takes the color of the rose. In Thibet there is a curious tree known as the tree of the thousand images; its leaves are covered with well-defined characters of the Thibetan alphabet. It is of great age, and the only one of its kind known there.

The baobab tree is considered one of the most wonderful of the vegetable kingdom. It appears that nothing can kill this tree, hence it reaches an astonishing age as well as enormous size. The natives make a strong cord from the fibers of the bark, hence the trees are continually barked, but without damage, as they soon put forth a dew bark. It appears impervious to fire, and even the ax is resisted, as it continues to grow in length while it is lying on the ground.

In Mexico there is a plant known by the name of Palo do Leche. It belongs to the family of supkorbia. The Indians throw the leaves into the water and the fish become stupified and rise to the surface and are then caught by the natives. In this case the effect of the narcotic soon passes off. The milk of this plant

thrown upon the fire gives out fames that produce nauses and headache. The milk taken internally is a deadly poison; it will produce death or insanity, according to the size of the dose. There is a popular belief among the lower class in Mexico that the insanity of the exempress Carlotta was caused by this poison.—Selected.

A HINT TO MISTRESSES.

Mrs. Smith possessed 'a treasure of a domestic, and was both surprised and angry to learn that the said 'treasure' was about to leave her employ.

'I consider your conduct very ungrateful,' she said, angrily; 'I have paid you good wages, and taught you to do many things, and this is the way you treat me. It is shamoful!'

The girl saidthat she was sorry to be obtiged to leave; that she appreciated the kindness shown her, but that there were reasons why she must go.

'Very well; you can at least tell them to me,' said her mistress.

'Well,' said the girl, 'when you were sick I gave my bed to the nurse and slept on the floor, and I cannot get over the cold I caught then; and carrying all your meals upstairs gave me a hurt in the side, and the doctor says if I work so hard I shall break down; and I can't afford to do that.'

'Nellie, is this true?' asked her mistress, with tears in her eyes; 'I never thought of it before. You shall stay and I shall get some one to help you, and I'll take care of you myself until you are quite well and strong again.'

Nellie stayed, and her mistress did as she had promised, and this true story is commended to other housekeepers who have a 'treasure' they are thoughtlessly overburdening.—Exchange.

HOW ICEBERGS BREAK PROM GLACIERS.

The number of bergs given off varies somewhat with the weather and the tides, the average being about one every five or six minutes, counting only those large enough to thunder loudly, and make themselves heard at a distance of two or three miles. The very largest, however, may, under favorable conditions, be heard ten miles, or even faither. When a large mass sinks from the upper fissured portion of the wall, there is first a keen, piercing crash, then a deep, deli berato, prolonged, thundering roar, which slowly subsides into a low, muttering growl, followed by numerous smaller, grating, clashing sounds from the agitated bergs that dance in the waves about the new-comer as if in wel. come; and these again are followed by the swash and roar of the waves that are raised and burled against the moraines. But the largest and most beautiful of the bergs, instead of thus falling from the upper weathered portion of the wall, rise from the submerged portion with a still grander commotion, springing with tre mendous voice and gestures nearly to the top of the wall, tons of water streaming like hair down their sides, plunging and rising again and again before they finally settle in perfect poise, free at last, after having formed part of a slow crawling glacier for conturies-John Muir in the Century Magazina

Our Young Folks.

TRIPPING INTO TOWN.

A little lass with golden hair,
A little lass with brown,
A little lass with raven locks,
Went tripping into town.
"I like the golden hair the best!"
"And I prefer the brown!"
"And I the black!" three sparrows said,
Three sparrows of the town.

"Tu-whit! Tu-whoo!" an old owl cried, From the beliry in the town; "Glad-hearted lassies need not mind If locks be gold, black, brown! Tu-whit! Tu-whoo! so fast, so fast The sands of life run down.

"And soon, so soon, three white-haired dames Will totter through the town.
Gone then for aye the raven locks,
The golden hair, the brown,
And she will fairest be whose face
Has never worn a frown!"

WHAT SHALL THE HARVEST BE?

Some little boys were playing behind the big barn on Mr. Thompson's farm, and, sad to tell, they were using bad language; also two or three were trying to smoke cigarettes. Now it so chanced that Mr. Thompson himself was in the barn at this time, busy over the repairs needed by some of the farm implements; and, shocked by hearing such words, accompanied by the smell of tobacco smoke, he looked out cautiously to see who were the boys so misconducting themselves. Imagine his grief at seeing his own son Willie with a cigarette between his teeth! And, alas! just as his father's eyes fell on him the filthy roll of paper and stale tobacco was removed from the boys lips, while he used some of those very words which had so shocked Mr. Thompson.

Grieved beyond measure, the loving father resolved upon teaching his son a lesson which he should never forget. Early upon the following morning he called Willie down stairs to prepare for a day's work in the field.

"We will plant the corn to-day, my son. Come with me and I will show you what seed to use."

To the boy's surprise, Mr. Thompson led the way to the ash heap, and began filling his sack with the rubbish there accumulated. When the bag was full he gave it to his son, and proceeded to fill up another for himself; this done they took up their hoes and passed on to the cornfield. When the rows were all ready for the seed, Will said: "Shall I run back to the house father, and get some corn to plant?"

"Certainly not, my son; we have plenty of seed here in these sacks", and forthwith he proceeded to drop bits of trash in the ground he had so carefully prepared. Seeing Willie struck dumb with amazement, he asked: "Why are you not planting? You have an abundance of seed."

"But, father, you surely don't think corn will come up if you plant nothing but rubbish?"

"No, I don't think so; but you seem to be of a different opinion, and I thought I would try your way just for once, to see how it would work."

More astonished and mystified than over, Willie said: "But, father, I never helped you to plant before, so I don't see how I could have a 'different opinion or way."

"My son, I was in the barn yesterday when you and your friends were playing behind it, and I saw you planting the seeds of bad habits—seeds which

cannot fail of yielding a large crop one of these days."

Willie hid his face in his hands, while his father talked kindly and earnestly concerning the harvest he must expect to reap by and by.

"Could I suppose you intended seriously to sow the seed of a bad charactor? No, I must infer that you expected to gather in a harvest of good things grown from the seeds of evil you were sowing, hence I am following your example. Now, my boy, let this thought sink deeply into your heart to-day; when you may reasonably hope to reap a crop of corn or wheat perfected from seed taken from that heap of rubbish yonder, then not till then—may you expect to reap the harvest of a good character, an honored name, from the seed you were sowing yesterday—bad language and the use of vile tobacco. If you wish to be a good man you must be a good boy, for whatsoever a man soweth that shall be also resp.

"Indeed, I won't sow any more rubbish-seed, father; but the other boys were all talking slang, and some were smoking."

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"Well, my son, whenever you start out to plant any kind of habit seed, just stop and ask yourself, 'What shall the harvest be?—wheat for the Master's garner, or tares for Satan?' You will be safe then. Now, we will go back and get some corn."—Christian Observer.

A MISCHEVIOUS LITTLE BEAR AT THE ZOO.

A favorite amusement of the little bear was to go off to the end of his cage away from his mother, and then, rising on his hind feet, walk over to her, and throwing his arms about her neck, hug her for all he was worth, and then begin to bite and scratch and pommel her.

This she would stand for awhile, but if it became too severe the usual cuffing was given him; or else, if he was very bad, she would take him up in her mouth and go and drop him in the large water tank at one end of the cage, the edge of which was on a level with the floor. This great tank was two feet deep, and even when there was no water in it, it was wet and slimy, and the little bear did not like it.

Sometimes he was thrown in when the tank was half full of water, and was left to gasp and choke several times before the old bear would reach in, and, grabbing by the leg, foot, back or head, whichever one came uppermost, pull him out and drop him on the floor to dry. The last time I saw him he was very naughty, indeed, and was several times doused in the water.

The last dip seemed to have been successful, for a very quiet little bear crept up to its mother's side by the edge of the tank. But, when the mother's head was turned, he leaped up and sprang at her in such a way as to make her lose her balance. There was a tremendous splash as the old bear slid over the side and under the water.

The little bear's ears stood straight up, and he looked the very imp of mischief as he saw his mother disappear. His expression changed, however, when the old bear's head came above the water again. There was a look in her face that made him think that it would be well to retire.

With ears laid flat back, he sped for the small covered room opening off the back of the cage, and retired to the darkest corner, where he crouched down, and pretended to go asleep. Mrs. Bear slowly climbed out of the tauk, then tramped across the cage to the room in the rear, and blocking up the entrance with her body, leaned forward and administered several resounding thumps to the little black bundle in the corner. The little bear was on his good behavior after that for twenty minutes.—The Congregationalist, Boston.



Women wearing Worth dresses and men wearing dia-

ble over stomach and howel troubles as are those who have only calico and bone buttons.

None of us live natural lives. We cat too much and are careless about our health. Abused nature finally revolts. The rebellion is slight at first,

slight at first, but it grows. Occasional constipation becomes chronic. Bowels won't work Stomach gets sour and generates gas. Liver gets full of bile. Bile gets into the blood. Headaches come, dizziness, loss of appetite, loss of sleep, foul breath, distress after cating and all because Nature did not have the little help she heeded.

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Ministers and Churches.

On Sunday 1st inst., Rev. Alex. King preached in St. Mark's Church, Toronto, two scholarly and eloquent sermons.

The Rev. James M. Boyd, M.A., B.D., Beauharnois, is having a much needed rest. During his absence Mr. A. B. Ross, divinity student, Montreal, is supplying his pulpit.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, Victoria, left lately by the City of Topeka for Alaska, where he intends to spend his holidays, his congregation having presented him with a well filled purse to cover holiday expenses.

St. James Presbyterian Church, London, has been undergoing alterations in its interior. On the occasion of its completion Rev. E. H. Sawers preached two forcible and instructive sermons ap propriate for the occasion, Rev. M. P. Talling, pastor, taking Mr. Sawers work for the day.

The corner stone of the new St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Windsor, was laid on Monday,2nd inst., by Principal Caven of Knox College, Toronto. The new church will be a very fine edifice and it is expected it will be finished by January. There was a very large attendance at the cere-mony of laying the corner stone.

Rev. Mr. Ledingham, a missionary of our churchunder appointment to India, with Mrs. Ledingham, left Toronto on Friday last for Lancaster where he is to be designated by the Presbytery of Glengarry, as it has undertaken his support in the foreign field. He will spend a short time visiting and addressing congregations within the bounds of the Presbytery and sail on the 28th inst. for his distant sphere of labor.

Five years ago Rev. J. M. McLaren, B.A., was inducted into the Blenheim charge, Chatham Presbytery. During that time over 200 members have been added to the congregation, making a total membership of 310. In the near future this charge promises to be one of the strongest within the bounds of the Presbytery. Much hearty in-terest is being manifested among the adherents and members of the congregation in connection with the part Church with the new Church.

The secrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in the Presbyterian Church, Ivan, on the 8th prox. The Rev. J. A. Morison, B.A., of Toronto, who has been visiting the Rev. Norman Lindsay, B,A., made his holiday very helpful by preaching powerful pre-communion services on Sabbath 1st inst. The evening service was especially largely attended and impressive, and the Holy Spirit blessed the Word to many a seeking soul. Next week the Kev. P. Lindsay, or Toronto, will assist his son in the services.

At a congregational meeting held on Monday evening, 9th inst., the Cowan Avenue Presbyterian congregation decided to tender a call to Rev. Dr. C. I. Schofield, of Dallas, Texas. Dr. Schofield has for nine or ten years supplied the pulpit of Knox Church during Rev. Dr. Parsons summer vacation and has to a remarkable extent won the tiking of that congregation both for his excellent preaching and for his pastoral work. He is also know to a good many Canadians as a prominent figure at the Niagara summer conferences for Bible study. Should Dr. Schofield decide to accept the call thus tendered him he will prove a decided accession to the preaching talent of Toronto. Toronto.

MORRIN COLLEGE.

Morrin College is the only Protestant in-stitution established in the city of Quebec for the encouragement of higher learning. The work it has done and is doing has made it a valuable factor in the education of the country. During the thirty-three years that have elapsed since its foundation by its benevolent founder, Dr. Morrin, its graduates have not only taken an honorable position with the other graduates of McGill University, with which it is affiliated, but many of them have become distinguished in the many of them have become distinguished in the learned professions, in business and in the several spheres of dife. Probably there is not any chartered college that can point to more distinguished alemni in proportion to its numbers than can Morini. Its Professors have generally been men of wide attainments and of special eminence in the subjects of their respective chairs. The late Dr. Cook, its distinguished Principal for the long period of thirty years, was known throughout Canada and cleewhere, not only as scholar of the highest culture, but as a great personal force, the earlier graduates recall with sonal force, the earlier graduates recall with pride the profound classical scholarship of Professor Hatch, and the mathematical reasoning and acuteness of Professor Myles. Nor can we omit, though of later date, the honored name of Dr. Weir, who for so many years ably filled the chair of Classics and of Hebrew and devoted his great energies to advance in every way the interests of the College. The Board desire to call attention to the hepeful prospect it now has of even a wider sphere of usefulness. The generous bequest of the late Senator Ross has placed it upon a secure financial footing. The Board of Governors have thereby leen enabled to make better provision for the cf fective execution of their trust. They have es-tablished a system of scholarships which will prove helpful to many deserving students; have made the accommodation more suitable both as respects lecture rooms and resident students' rooms, and have in every way increased the parts of the land; a considerable number in facilities for carrying on the proper work of the States of the Union adjoining this province; while

College. The teaching staff, although the appointment of an accomplished Principal is still under consideration, was never more complete. Some of the Professors have had large and varied educational experience and much successful practice in modern systems and methods. The latest appointment to the staff is Professor Sharp, a recent graduate of Queen's University and one of her most distinguished sons. His special apti-tudes are Philosophy and English Literature. which subjects have been assigned to him, and in which he holds testimonials of an exceptionally high character.

There are one or two other special advantages which may be mentioned. As the number of students that can be properly accommodated is limited, those in attendance derive all the adantages that accrue from an institution where individual work and individual effort can be carefully supervised, where defects or excellences in scholarship or character can be readily observed and dealt with according to their needs. For such reasons as these, parents often prefer to have their sons and daughters at what are called small colleges, feeling assured that the individual training of mind and character is duly provided for, and faithfully carried out. Again another advantage which the students at Morrin enjoy, though it is perhaps not singular in this respect, is free access to two extensive libraries. The is free access to two extensive libraries. The Aylwin Library of several thousand volumes, left to the College by the late Judge Aylwin, consists of History, Latin and Greek Literature, English Literature, Theology, Science Additions are made to it yearly not by the exaction of a fee from the students, but from the funds of the College or by voluntary contribution. The latest addition is the generous gift by Pr. Cook's family, consisting of the extensive and valuable theological library of the late Principal. The other Library is that of the Literary and Historical Society located in the College building. It is rich in History and Literature, and receives regulatly the high class Magazines and Reviews containing the best thought of the day in Science, Literature and Art.

Literature and Art.

The functions of the College are not limited, as all are awage, to training in Mathematics and as an are aware, to training in Matthematics and the Classical Languages, but embrace subjects in-timately related to our daily life. Questions of social and political science, of trade and com-merce, of capital and labour, and the like are dis-cussed with a view of reaching fundamental principles Then again the schools of the country are brought under the uplifting influence of college culture. Wherever a vigorous college exists there are found efficient and flourishing exists there are futual efficient and industring schools. The founder of Morrin was aware of this fact and generously supplied what was lack-ing in the educational system of the city whose interests he had so much at heart.

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The relations between the ringh Schools—not only those in the city but throughout the Eastern Townships—and the College are year by year becoming more incimate. The College has ceased to do the work of the High School and the High Schools no longer attempt to trench upon the curriculum of the College. As the College looks mainly to the city and to the Eastern Townships for its matriculants, this adjustment will not only be mutually beinful, but will product sound and be mutually heightl, but will promote sound and accurate scholarship.

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The calendar announces that lectures will commence on Monday, September 30th.

CLOSING OF MANITOBA COL-LEGE'S SUMMER SESSION.

The convocation ball of Manitoba College was filled on the evening of August 29th the oc casion being the closing of the summer session in theology. Rev. Principal King presided, and on the platform with him were seared Rev. Principal Grant, of Queen's University, Kingston; and Revs. [Dr. Bryce, Professors flart and Band. Revs. Ioseph Hogg, R. G. MacBeth and J. Farquharson. Devotional exercises were conducted, Rev.

son. Devotional exercises were conducted, Rev. Mr. MacBeth reading a Scripture lesson, and Rev. Mr. Farquharson offering prayer.

Frincipal King welcomed those present, saying that he was very glad to see so good a representative of Winninger at the classing of tion of the citizens of Winnipeg at the closing of the third summer session in theology, a repre-sentation perhaps the largest there had been at any closing of these theological courses. The at-tendance during the session had been thirty two, thirteen in the third, or graduating year; twelve in the second; and seven in the first. These students had been drawn from almost all parts of the Dominion. A large proportion of them had taken their literary or arts course in Manitoba and some who were to graduate had taken their whole education as students within these walls. Others had come from Nova Scotia, and from the missionary Presbytenes of Algoma and Barrie two from seminaries in the United States; and one from the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland. The theological course had not been long in operation, onlyabout twelve years; but already there were many of its graduates in other parts of the land; a considerable number in

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they were glad to have an increasing representation in the broad field of India; two graduates were there and a third Mr. Ledingham, was just on the way. During the present session Prof. Orr, of Edin-turgh, had done excellent service by a brief course of lectures, which had given a great deal of gratification, not only to the students but to many gratification, not only to the students but to many people in the city. (Applause.) Prof. Scringer had served for the second time the important department of exposition of the Old Testament. During the latter part of the session they had had Prof. Ross from the same college. (Applause.) The Principal, his brother professors in theology, the Board and the Senate 'elt deeply the service that these breithren rendered. They had not only placed the college under obligation, but by their placed the college under obligation, but by their labors in the pulpit, they had brought the Christian people of Winnipeg into a large debt, which he was sure they would be very willing to have paid, not to themselves, but to this feeble, struggling college. The matter of funds was always an important one to an institution like this. He had received from Sir Donald A. Smith a promis ed contribution of \$5,000, by which the college was now entirely free from debt. This cheque was given on the understanding that the college should be at this time and henceforth and forever tree from debt. The people of Winnipeg and of the West had come under a voluntary obligation to raise \$3,000 a year for the theological department. \$3,000 a year for the theological department. They had perhaps done wonderfully well, but they had not quite kept that promise. He was glad, however, to say that the indebtedness on this fund was less than it had been a year ago. With a little more help from Winnipeg it should be quite possible, at the close of another session, to make the statement that the theological fund is entirely free from debt. In closing Principal King expressed graitede to God for the preservation of the life and health of the students and teachers. He proceeded to read the names of the the life and health of the students and teachers. He proceeded to read the names of the graduating class and to mesent every graduate with a well bound copy of the Holy Scriptures. The graduates were the following. Duncan Campell, B.A., J. S. Dobbin, I. N. Guthrie, J. S. Hamilton, B.A., Alexander Kemlo, B.A., James Laing, B.A., George Lougheed, B.A., Allan Moore, B.A., G. S. Scott, A. S. Thompson, S. W. Thomson, B.A., J. E. Wallace and F. Carruthers.

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Dr. King proceeded to address the students, Dr. King proceeded to address the students, making some suggestions as to the ministry which had been brought to his mind by reading the life of a great minister, Rev. Dr. Cairns, principal of the United Presbyterian Church Theological College in Scotland, The first point emphasized was the supreme importance of character in relation to ministerial power and efficiency. Dr. Cairns was distinguished by simplicity of character, great singleness of aim, and width and warmth of human temporate and strong faith and personal devotion. sympathy and strong faith and personal devotion to the Saviour. The second point was Dr. Cairn's strong love to the Church of Christ; the third, his great industry from the time he began, as a shepherd boy, to study the judiments of Latin; the fourth, his strong attachment to the funda-mental Christian verities and his wide tolerance of the opinions of others on minor points; and the fifth, his wide human sympathy and his faithful-ness in pastoral visitation of every family of his congregation in the city and eight or ten miles around, in which he became personally acquainted with every individual.

with every individual.

The reading of the names of those who had won scholarships followed; then the valedictory was given by Mr. J. S. Hamilton, B.A., on behalf of the graduates; and reply on behalf of the students by Mr. J. W. McLean. Both of these addresses were ably given, and were characteristic of student life, mingling the gay and the serious in a manner which greatly amused and interested the manner which greatly amused and interested the

audience.
Principal King, on behalf of himself and Prof.
Baird, expressed appreciation of the references
made to them in the addresses.
Rev. Principal Grant was cordially greeted as
he rose to speak when called upon by Principal
King. He said it was always a pleasure to him to
be in Manitoba, in the city or in the college. He
felt as if he had been at the cradle of the Province
itself, his first visit having been made twentyitself, his first visit having been made twenty-three years ago. In 1872, in lecturing in Halifax, on the "Great Lone Land," he had said that, al-though he was an old man, he expected to live long enough to see Manitoba yield 20,000,000 bushels of cereals. Some had looked upon the remark as very foolish, and an Opposition paper had made fun of him as a paid hack of Sir John A. Macdonald. He saw that the newspapers estimated the yield of this year at 50,000,000 or 60,000,000 bushels. He now hoped to live long enough to see Manitoba and the North-west yield 500,000,000 bushels. He remembered on the oc-casson referred to driving down to Kildonan to see the college, and expressing the idea, which the the college, and expressing the idea, which the people resented, that it could not remain permanently there. Three years afterwards, in 1875, the year of the union, he had listened at the General Assembly, with great interest to Dr. Robertson urging its removal to Winnipeg; and the first work of the United Church was done in connection with that appeal. He (Dr. Grant) went around and collected money to bring the college up to Winnipeg from Kildonan, believing that the capital was the right place for the institution. capital was the right place for the institution. He was delighted that the day of small things was past. Referring to the question of snances, and to a recent donation of \$5,000 to the college by a late citizen of Montreal, he said he believed the time had come for the college to get some of the results of that bountiful harvest with the praise the results of that bountiful narvest with the praise of which the newspapers were ringing. The time had come to lay the foundations broad and deep. Competition was keen in every line, and it was easy to get to some large institution. It was a duty to make provision for such a thoroughly equipped institution here that there would be nothing ipped institution here that there would be nothing to gain by going away. He took a great interest in the summer session; Manitoba College had laid the whole Church under deep obligation by undertaking it. The whole Church had felt that something should be done to supply the vacant congregations in the winter. The object of the summer session was to enable men to go into the mission field in the winter instead of the summer.

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At Ventura, California, on Wednesday, Sept. 4th, by the Rev. J. M. Gardiner, the Rev. W. G. Mills, B.A., of Santa Paula, California, late of Sunderland, Ont., to Bella, only daughter of J. S. Collins, Esq., Mayor of the city of Ventura.

At the residence of the bride's father (Marble Hall), on Aug. 14th, 1895, by the Rev. D. Currie, B.D., Urie Dodds, of Mernekville, to Anna Letitia McIntyre (Etta), youngest daughter of Roderick Matheson, Esq., merchant of Perth.

At Cardinal, Ont., on Wednesday, August 21st, 1895, Joseph Reid, aged 84.

At Penetanguishene, Ontario, on August 23rd, 1895, Dr. Walter Robert Gillespie, aged 29

On August 24th, 1895, at his late residence, Main Street Last, Hamilton, Ont., John Eastwood, aged 58 years.

He could not help feeling that the man who had made the most sacrifices for this was the principel, who had borne the burden of responsibility. But the progress of the Church was only possible through the sacrifice of its best men. The law applied to every part of the Church and to the development of every nation that contributed anything permanent to the great cause of God and man. We trace the life of a Church by tracing the lives of its saints; as we trace the life of a nation through its heroes. The heroes of a nation are those who have sacrificed themselves for the development of the nation; so the saints of the Church are those who have devoted themselves to the spiritual elevation of men. Therefore, heroes and saints are of the same race. After giving some examples of the heroes of former times, the speak-He could not help feeling that the man who had examples of the heroes of former times, the speak-er named as among those whom he had met in Scotland, Drs. Norman MacLeod, Guthrie and Cairns. In Canada, he went on to say, we are contributing men of the same metal. After naming a number of those belonging to different Pro-vinces, he remarked that with such a goodly an-cestry we can look one another in the face with-out shame. In conclusion, he briefly emphasized the thoughts presented by Principal King.

Dr. King made a special reference to the legacy of \$5,000 left to the coilege by Mr. Warlegacy of \$5,000 left to the coilege by Mr. Warden King, of Montreal, and also mentioned that gentleman's former subscription of \$2,000, and his readiness to help whenever called upon, and his interest in the college as a Home Mission enterprise. After he had thanked Principal Grant for his attendance and his address and after the singing of a doxology the exercises were closed by Rev. Jos. Hogg pronouncing the hencilction. benediction.

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Results of examinations.—Of these we give only the third or closing year. The classes indicate order of merit, but within the class the names are alphabetically arranged:
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Scholarships.—The Peter Redpath scholarship, \$50, D. Campbell, B.A.; Peter Redpath, 1st price, \$30. S. W. Thomson, B.A., Peter Redpath, 2nd prize, \$20, J. S. Hamilton, B.A. II year, The John Ralph King scholarship, \$60, John Hunter, M.A.; the Robert Crawford scholarship, \$50, J. W. Maclean; the Mary Perine Tait scholarship, \$40, J. E. Smith. I year—Macdonald-Woods scholarship, \$50, II. S. Davison, B.A.; John Black scholarship, \$50, E. Mason, Memorial scholarship, Toronto. S50, E. Mason; Memorial scholarship, Toronto, S40, F. J. Hartley, B.A. H. S. Davison and E. Mason are equal.

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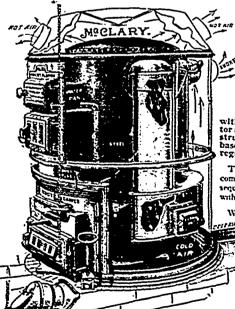
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The Church of England Sunday School Institute reports 2,270,418 scholars, an increase of 64,869 on the previous year.

The conditions of the Australian climate are such that many of our similes from the weather have to be modified in those latitudes.

The question of admitting women to the Methodist Conference is not, it would seem, finally settled, though the late Conference decided to pass on to the next ques-

Rev. Lorimer Fison, editor of the Spectator (Melbourne), has been made a D.D., by Montreal Theological College (McGill University).

Rev. J. G. Robertson, of Dandee, has been appointed assistant to Professor Birrell in the Hebrew class of St. Mary's College, St. Andrews.

The forty-ninth annual conference of the Evangelical Alliance, British Organization, will be held in Belfast on September 24th, 25th and 26 h.

The German Emperor on a recent Sunday, laid the foundation of a monument to be erected in Berlin to the memory of his grandfather, the Emperor William I. The ceremony was a very impressive one.

Rev. John Fleming McSwain, of St. Paur's Church, Brisbane, will be Moderator of the Federal Assembly of the Presbyterian Churches of Australia and Tasmania. The Assembly meets this month in Sydney.

Six thousand four hundred pounds has been subscribed towards the Miners' Mission Fund, which was started by the Moderator of the Free Church, Dr. J. Hood Wilson, at the last General Assembly.

Seven hundred and eleven female missionaries are at work in India.
During the last two years these visited 40,513 heathen families and instructed 62,414 heathen girls in the different mission schools.

A special meeting of the Irish General Assembly is to be convened to elect Prolessors to fill the Chairs in the Assembly's and Magee Colleges, vacant by the death of Dr. Watts, and the transference of Professor Dougherty to Dublin Castle.

The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand at its General Assembly in Auckland, reported eighty-four ministers, fifteen students to,436 communicants, 200 Sabbath-schools, and 14,437 scholars. Its contribu-tions to foreign missions amounted to about

Glasgow U. P. Presbytery cordially adopted a motion expressing sorrow and indignation at the massacre of missionaries in China. In view of the unsettled state of that country, a contingent of missionaries ready to set out thither will not start at

The German Emperor left a gratuity of \$50 for the servants on the railways over which he passed in his recent journey to Leith. The railway officials have suggested that the money be devoted to the charities connected with the two railway companies.

A fact that marks an epoch in the annals of the Italian churches is the founding of an Italian Methodist Missionary Society. The recent visit of Rev. F. W. Macdonald had something to do with this, and the movement had its' origin in the Italian United District Meeting at Naples.

Reporting to the Free Church Commission in Edinburgh on the Sustentation Fund, Dr. W. Ross Taylor said the committee had made full arrangements for visiting Presbyteries during the current year, and as speedily as possibly. The object of that visitation was to bring before Presbyteries the important modifications made by last Assembly in the mode of distributing the fund.

A WONDERFUL REMEEY.

A YOUNG LADY IN ELOIN COUNTRY TELLS HOW IT SAVED HER LIFE.

The Case Bailled the Family Doctor and He Gave it up Relief Came When Hope Had Almost Gone-Health Again Restored.

From the Tisonburg Observer.

Mr. J. W. Kennedy, who resides on the Sth concession of the township of Bayham, is on of the most respected farmers in the town ship. Recently an Observer representative visited his home for the purpose of learning the particulars of the recovery of his daughter, Miss Alice Kennedy, from a sweet and trying the particulars of the recovery of his daughter, Miss Alice Kennedy, from a severe and trying illness, through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, after medical assistance had failed. Miss Kennedy now presents the appearance of a healthy and active young woman of twenty, and bears no indication of having passed through an illness that ballled the doctors' skill. To the reporter Miss Kennedy said that in the autumn of 1893 she was taken ill and a physician was called in. Despite all said that in the autumn of 1893 she was taken ill and a physician was called in. Despite all the doctor did for her she continued to grow worse. She suffered from severe headaches, became very pale, rapidly lost flesh, and her limbs were cold and swollen. She suffered great pa n and it was with much difficulty she could move about, and would sometimes he for hours in a half stupor. At last the doctor said he could do nothing more for her, and the family asked his advice as to her using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. He said he was of the opinion that they would not help her. In spite of this adverse opinion, however, she determined to give them a trial, and before determined to give them a trial, and before the first box was finished the wisdom of the decision was made manifest. An improve-ment was noticed and with joy Miss Kennedy continued taking the Pink Pills until she had used fourteen boxes, when she felt that she was completely cured. She has not taken any was completely cured. She has not taken any since the early summer, and has not had any recurrence of her old trouble, and never felt better in her life. Indeed Miss Kennedy says that as a result of the Pink Pills treatment she has gained 25 pounds in weight. A short time after she began the use of the Pink Pills the doctor who had previously attended her, called and was much surprised at the improvement in the young lady's appearance, and said that if Pink Pills had caused the transformation by all means to continue their use. Miss tion by all means to continue their use. Miss Kennedy's state ents were corroborated by her father and sister, both of whom give all the credit for her marvellous recovery to Dr. William? Dish. Bill.

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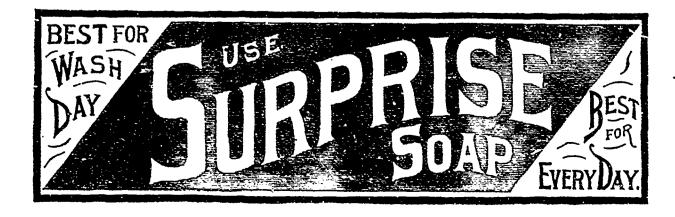
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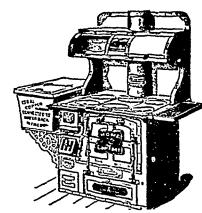
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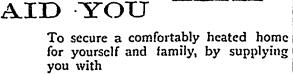
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HAMILTON.—A special meeting in Knox Church, Hamilton. on Sept. 10th, at 9.30 a.m. Regular meeting in the First Church, St. Catharines, on Sept. 17th, at

10.30 a.m. KINGSTON.—At Kingston, in St. Andrew's Church, on 3rd Tuesday in September, at 3 p m.

LINDSAY .- At Cannington, on Oct. 15th.

MAITLAND.—At Wingham, on Sept. 17th, at 11.30 a.m. MONTREAL.—At Montreal, in Knox Church, on Tuesday, October 1st, at 10 a.m.

OTTAWA .- In Ottawa, on Sept. 24th.

OWEN SOUND.—At Owen Sound, in Knox Church, for Conference, Sept 16, at 2.30 p.m.; for Business, Sept. 17, at

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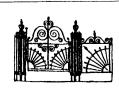
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