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## Note and Comment.

The late Dr. Samuel Smiles, L.L. D, Kensington, London, (a native of Hadding. ton, Scotland,) left $£ 79.964$ of personal estate.

Mrs. D. O. Hill, sister of the late Sir Noel Paton, R S.A., and herself a sculptor of some repute, died in Edinburgh on the 5 th inst.

Lord Strathcona has purchased Debden Hall, Essex. The hall belonged to Ralph Peverell during the reign of William the Norman.

The African Keview says: "In the Transvaal and the Orange River colony, if the present rate of intermarriage between Briton and Boer is kept up, within twenty years the two races will be so welded together as to be indistinguishable.

The Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, the evangelist, announces that he will accompany a party of Presbyterians and their friends to the Holy Land next season to visit Jerusalem, Galilee, Damascus, etc.

In France the bill for the suppression of teaching by the Romish religious orders has become a law, but ten years is allowed for putting the new educational system of State schools in full working order.

Lord Stratheona has been installed Chancellor of Aberdeen University, the first time such an event has happened there in forty years. The four hundredth anniversary of the university will be celebrated in S.ptember, 1905, when representatives are invited from institutions of learning throughout Greater Britain.

The recent discovery by Mr. Allen, a Dublin veterinary surgeon, that ordinary turpentine is an antidote to carbolic acid has aroused great interest. A well-known chemical expert in Dublin tested the efficacy of the antidote on a dog. A cose of carbolic acid was first administered, and when the ordinary symptoms of carbolic poisoning had been developed oil of turpentine was applied, and the dog recovered with a short time.

Ansther religion has cropped out-Soul-ism-an offshoot of Spiritualism. The head of this ism, "Rev." Nora Davis, is now telling her followers of "a trip which her soul took to the planet Neptune. According to newspaper accounts of her, she is not sufficiently rested yet to give any very connected account of her hurried soul trip, except to say that the inhabitants of that planet are three times the size of the earth's inhabitants. After her imagination has had a chance to work, however, a detailed account of her trip will probably be forthcoming for the edification of her fellow Soulists.

At a "mission" or evangelistic service held in St. Mary's Cathedral (Roman Catholic), Halifax, the preacher, Rev. Father Conolly,
speakıng on "Mortal Sin," drew a vivid feature of the two "paths"- one which led to everlasting joy, and the other to eiernal death. He referred forcibly to the Sunday drinker, and to the curse of excluding Christ from the Sabbath day and devoting it to that plea sure which was termed innocent, but which often led to grievous mortal sin. It is plain speaking of this kind which tells upon and cducates public opinion. Whatever differences of opinion they may have on some theological questions, ministers of the gospel of all denominations can make no mistake in speaking plainly against the curse of drunkenness and desecration of the Lord's Day,

An Englishman, who has visited England after 25 years of farm-life in New Zealand, considers that the pasture land of Creat Britain could be made to produce profitably quite one-half of the dairy products required for home use. But, he says, the wrong man is the farmer ; he never does any work with his own hands, mostly his wite and children play day by day. They are not farmers, they ought to be country gentlemen in receipt of an income of $£: 0,000$ per annum. It is all bunkum to expect to profitably farm land if you do not know how it should be done, and the only way to know is to do it yourself, or, at any rate, take a hand in it.

England's great military hero has been widely quoted recently by those interested as favorable to the cigarette. Some good ladies of the W.C.T. U. in Montreal thought to find out the truth of the matter, and so wrote to L.ord Roberts himself. Recently a very courteous reply came, in which the following sentence occurs: "My opinion is that every one would be better without smok. ing, and that, so far as boys are concerned, it is a pernicious and injurious habit." The ladies now intend printing this statement of conviction upon a card with Lord Roberts' portrait, and circulating it broadcast throughout the country. The Christian Guardian is correct when it says: "The intelligent and public-spirited people who consider that the cigarette is anything else :int a public menace and nuisance are few indeed."

In connection with mission work among colored people in the Southern States, a writer in the Christian Observer, gives the following illustration of the astounding ignorance displayed in some mission schools : "Many of those who came to us at first shocked the teachers by their dense ignorance of all things pertaining to the Bible and the nature and works of God. The name of God was only known to them when used in eaths. Many of the children did not know of Jesus. When we undertook to teach them of his office as a shepherd caring for his flock, they did not know what a sheep was. It was very difficult for those who were rased in Christian homes, and familiar with all the beauties of the Bible tiuths from their carly youth, to make these lessons clear to those $u$ ho were so ignorant, but by patient and careful study of the methods of teaching, and by careful instruction to those children, we have been delighted with the results."

Paris is much excited just now over the publication at Brussels of the letters exchang. ed by George Sand and Alfred de Musset. At the time when the two lovers definitely separated, Alfred de Musset asked that his letters mipht be returned to him, but George Sand did not ask for hars. Finally, at their last interview, they placed the two scts of letters in two sealed packets, which were deposited in the hands of a mutual friend, M. Gustave Papet. After de Musset's death, in 1848, George Sand said that so far as she was concerned, the correspondence might ho published ; but de Musset had not wi hed that this should be done, and the publication was consequently postponed in confurmity with his wishes and those of his surviving re latives. At last they have appeared in an. ticipation of the Sand centenary, but not without eliciting an indignant pretest from Madame Lardin de Musset, the poet's only surviving sister.
"Dr. Jules Rehns, of Paris, has been carry ing out several experiments to ascertain the precise effects of radium burning upon the skin," says The Scientific Amertcan. "If the rays of one-sixteen-hundredth part of an ounce of radium bromide are applied, no pain is experienced nor is there any mark left at the time of application; but twentyfour hours later a red mark appears, remains for a fortnight, fades, and leaves behind a scar similar to that of a burn. If the appli. cation be continued for ten minutes instead of five, the mark becomes visible in eighteen hours. Ulccration does not occur unless the radium has been applied for at least an hour. If the spot thus caused is treated medically, supf uration may be prevented and the wound cured in six weeks or two months. But if it is not attended to, it gathers, hocomes painful, and lasts an indefinite period. Some of these wounds or burns, caused three months ago by one hour's application of radium, still show no signs of healing. Moles can be destroyed by applying the radium for ten minutes."

The imposing marble monument of Gocthe, presented some time ago by the Kaiser to the city of Rome, where the great poet passed one of the most memorable years of of his earlier life, was formally unveiled the other evening in the presence of the King of Italy, the German Ambassador, and many other notable people. The monument is a superb specimen of modern art, standing 27 feet high in altitude. It is surmounted by a fuil-size figure of Goethe, 10 feet high, erected upon a massive Curinthian capital, on either side of which are placed exquisite classic groups symbolizing Goethe's masterpieces. The Kaiser's gift, which cost $\$ 100$, $\infty 00$, stands in the ancient Villa Borghese, now a free national park, under whose stately trees Goethe wrote "Iphigenia." This statue was made the subject of diplomatic communication at the time of President Loubet's visit to Rome a few months ago, as it had not then been erected, while one in honour of Victor Hugo was ready to be unveiled. Because of the protest the French President was only able to make an informa! inspection of the work.


## The Compassion of our Lord,

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If this great, weary, sin-sick world could only realize how God loves it, with what a deep tender heart of compassion He regards it, it would be converted at once

In Psalm 145:8, we are told that "God is full of compassion," again that His compassions are new every morning, and fail not. But how few even of His children realize it. How often we thank of God as hard, cruel, and indifferent to our sorrows and needs. Have you ever noticed in summer an ant colony, and watched the business activities, the little wars, the winning and losing of one side or the other, but they were little more to you than the sands they disturbed. Is it not true that many of us think that God looks upon this greater ant hill, and beholds the thousand conflicts of human experiences w.th just as little thought and care? Ah! we have forgotten that prophet and apostle tell us that our God is not indifferent and without sympathy for the trying experiences of men. For do we not read "In all their afflictions He was afflicted" (Isa. $63: 9$ ), and His soul was grieved for the misery of Israel (Judges 10: 16). "We have not an High Priest that cannot be touched (Heb. 4:15). Let us, therefore, come boldly to the throne of grace, and find grace to help in time of need.'

Jesus Christ was God's manifestation of Himself to the world, Christ was God manifested in the flesh. God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself. Jesus was Emmanuel-"God with us." So, if we want to know what God is like, we have but to look at Jesus in the Gospels. We judge of the character of a person by their actions; let us from the life of Christ see something of the character of our lord in His dealings with men. Never man spake as this man, was the verdict of His encmies. Never man acted as this man in His thoughful, tender compassion-may this be the verdict of His friends ere this reading is over.

Even the names that the Holy Ghost gives Hım are significant, and suggestive of marvellous tenderness. He is called "The Son of David," so expressive of His condescension, taking our nature, so that in all points, He might feel temptation. This title is used over eighty times in the Gospels, by our Lerd only of Himself. Only sixty-five times is He called "The' Son of God." It is sing. ular that the words also occur about eighty times in Ezekial. How full of humiliation, linking Himself with frail man. Was it not that He might feel the sorrows, disappointments, and weaknesses of life? How it emphasizes kinship with man. It sums up all the qualities of man in Himself, the pattern man, as originally made by God. Twentysix times in the Revelation, He is called "The Lamb" Ofca the word has a dimin. utive meaning, a tender, or delicate lamb. We never associate anything harsh, cruel, or unkind with a lamb.

Some think the old Mosaic law cold and loveless, but in it may be found many a word that tells of the gentle heart of God. Every seven years the people were to let their farms rest, that the poor might eat the fruits that grew upon them. They were also taught to be mindful of the needy in harvest time, and not reap too closely the corners of their fields, nor glean their vineyards too carefully,
picking every grape. In Eastern lands, the widow and the orphan are peculiarly desolate and defenceless. ' $n$ the midst of a dreary chapter of laws, we come upon a gleam of divine gentleness-"Ye shall not afflet any widow, or fatherless child.' (Exo. 22:22)
It is noticed that the first appearance of the angel of the Lord i. e. of the Lord Jesus was to a slave, a woman and one in distress. (Gen. 16:11). His first revelation to Moses was: "I know their snrrows, and am come down to deliver them." (Exo. 3:7).
He could rejoice with them in their pros perity, but when His people were in sorrow, He just came in person to reassure them How like a mother with her child. When the child is well, though far away, gifts and love-messages may be sent, and the heart rest contented, but let the child be ill, neither distance by land or sea, or any obstacle can keep that Mother from the child. She would fly if she could "over land and sea."

God's Bonk is indeed a B ok for the sor rowful. Its sweetest messages are to those who need comfort, or to those who have fallen. It is a book of love and sympathy-no wonder that its author is a God of compassion. Its promises are like a mother's bosom, to lay one's head upon in time of distress and pain. Its pages team with cheer for the discouraged. It sets its lighted lamp of hope to shine in darkened chambers. It reaches out hands of help to the fainting, and those who are out of the way,
A beautifnl picture of His compassion w : find in Isa. $40: 11$, the Good Shepherd carrying the lambs in His bosom. Young convert, weak believer, tried and stumbling one, wherever you are, here is a message for you. Nothing is so weak, tottering, or helpless as a lamb, but the shepherd carries then. No need to fear then, if you are a lamb of His fold. A mother told her two little girls one Sunday afternoon to not only learn the twenty third Psalm,but to tell her what parts of it meant. So Mamie said to Katte: "Yes, He feeds them, and drives away the lions and bears." "Yes," said Katie, who had always been a delicate child, "He carries them up the steep hills when they are tired."

In His teaching, how seldom the law, or a harsh word was used, how little of the spirit of "thou shalt," and "thou shalt not," or of the do and go spirit, but rather "come unto me." How soothing, after years of "this do, and thou shalt live," according to the old law and the prophets, the gracious words of Gospel grace, which fell from His lips. They must have sparkled like dew on a summer's morning, and like a shower upon the thirsty souls with lifegiving power, (Matt. $11: 28$, 29).

Again, He never crowded new truth upon His disciples and hearers faster than they could bear ; they were stupid, and slow understanding, and we might have supposed He would have said: "Well, I cannot make them understand, and there's no use trying. But He takes the trouble to illustrate His teachings with "stories" (Mar. $4: 33$ ).
He is still the same, and will guide us into all truth. It we would only take our Bibles, and say, as I saw once on a book-mark, "Dear J:sus let us read this book together," what nuggets we would find, and how the truth would be revealed.

Notice too the delicacy with which He taught, taking the disciples apart from the
murnuce to teach them, because they were to be teachers, and He did not want to display their ignorance (Mar. 4. 34). So we must be alone with Him, if He would ex. pound His word, and tell us His sectets.

How mindful He was of the feelings of His little band, so as not to cause :hem undue sonow. "I have many things to say unto you but ye cannot bear them now." He fed with His own hand milk and not meat, until they were able to bear it. Never was the Great Teacher too wearied to speak to lost souls, His compassion was always greator than His physical weakness. A missionary from Palestine once said that Christ must have walked thirteen miles out of His way in order to meet the woman in Samaria, and started at one o'clock in the morning

What an insight into the heart of Christ we get when we see how He felt over Jerusalem, when it would not receive Him and H is teachings. The disciples had been chanting His praise because of the wonder ful works they had seen, but that could not satisfy Him. His heart was breaking over the lost, and yet He was compelled in jus. tice to utter their doom, He dil it in tears, as He (xclaimed: "If thou hadst keown, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things that belong unto thy peace !" It was the same city that had wrung from Him that agonizing cry: "O, Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together. as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not."
"But," some one may say, "O, yes, I know God cares for my scul, but what about my body. Must I meet the little sorrows and cares of life without His tender compassion ? Does He care about physical needs as well as spiritual ?" Yes, see how He treated the multitude when they had been three days without food, because they hung upon His gracious words, and would not go from Him. How different from the disciples. They wou'd have sent them away hungry, but Jesus knew they came trom afar, and He was moved with compassion, lest the women and little children should faint by the way. (Mar. 8:1 3). When the woman came to Christ, pleading for her sick child, the disciples were disturbed, their dignity hurt, when she cried after them, but Jesus stopped and granted her request. The disciples rebuked the blind man for calling, but Jesus cailed them to Hım, and restored therr sight. When the mothers pressed their way to Jesus, to bring Him their little ones to bless, the disciples rebuked them, but Jesus said "Forbid them not," and it is the only passage in which it is said that Jesus was dis. pleased.
We would have thought it wonderfully kind if in that great multitude, He had only taught them, and healed the sick, for there must have been many ill in that large crowd of 4,000 persons, who went to Him, having heard of His fame. O, to realize that He is just the same to-day, just as tender, just as real and just as pleasant! We may never have felt the pangs of hunger, but all have felt soul hunger, a great consciousness of weakness, an intense longing to have more of Him. Take the Bread of Life, Jesus Himself, and feed upon Him. Is there not one who reads this, who says "Deep down, I feel a bunger to know Him," or another, who says: "The pangs of bodily hunger are as nothing to the yearning in my soul to know Him in His fullness." To both, He says : "Eat, O friend, drink, yea drink abundantly, Obeloved." (Song 5:1). But there must be a deffite act of appreciation of His promise by faith ere the soul can be satisfied.

Think if Hs sighs and sorrows for hu man misery and sin. Coming to the sea of Gali'ee, they bring to $\mathrm{H} / \mathrm{m}$ one that was deaf, and had an mpediment in his speech, and besought Him to put His hands upon him. He sighed, because He was sorry for him, and said: "Be opened.'

Do you think He would po on with H is sermer, and let the palsied man wait, nd the fath of four be still further tested, when they were tired and warm-for it was summer. No, He healed him at once, and then went en with the sermon.

The most of us would have louked at the funeral of the widow of Nain's son with indifference, we see so many funerals. But not our Savior, who, when he saw her, had compassion, and said: " Weep not," and touched her dead to life. (Luke 7:11).

Think (f the tender look atter Peter had denied Him, and when he most needed his support. And again His thoughtfuln se, least Peter might not think himself included in the message to Hie disciples, " Go, and toll the disciples, and Peter," That 'Sunday when He came with Hs disci I-s to the Synagogue, where stood the man with the withered hand, and the Phariees walching to see if He would heal him on the Sabbath-in order to find fult with Him, do you think the compassionate Christ would allow the afflicted and suffering one to watt until Monday ?

Can any one tell why He went to Em. maus that day, if not to comfort the two sorrowing hearts as they j ,urneyed and were troubled? He opened and explained the Scriptures concerning Himself.
If we have a burden, never let us ask :
"Is there any oue can help us, one who understands our hearts.
When the thorns of life have pierced them till they bleed;
One who sympathizes with us, who in wondrous love imparts
Just the very, yery blessing that we need.
For there's One, only Une, the blessed, blessed Jesus, He's the One
When afflictions press the soul, and the waves of trouble roll,
And you need a friend to help you,
He's the One,"

But have we any assurance that He is just the same Iox? When He left the earth, did be lcave all His compassion behind? When, as man, He dicd on the cross, did that tender heart die? No, He has not left us in doubt as to this; on the throne, He is still the same when seen by Stephen as He was being stoned, He was seen standing, so anxious He could not sit. When He appeared to the aged S. John, banished on the isle of Patmos for the word if God and for his testimony about Jesus Christ, he recognized still in His manly form as one like unto the "Son of God, " and as a lamb, as it had been slain. When John fell to the ground, overcome with the splendor of His majesty, the same loving touch is laid upon lim , and wi.h the gentle touch, came the reassuring words, "Fear not, we have not an High Priest that cannot be touched."

As we go through this world, and take up His work, that which He left us to do, let us make sure that we have the meekness and gentleness of Jesus(2nd. Cor.10: 1t) and also His compassion upon those who lorow not the way-" can reasonab'y bear with the ignorant "-another translation. Paul had this thought when he said to the Phillipians, according to Alford's translation-" 1 lorg after you all in the tender bowcls of Jesns Christ." For all that the world row can see or know of the compassion of Jesus Christ, they sce and learn from H s follow rs

This may be had in

## For Domiston Preamytertas.

## One Thing Thou Lackest.

## by george w. Armstrong

"'Yaster," said one of old, "I have an inward strife
To know what I must do to gain eternal life;
Can'st thou this problem solve? this mystery define
Can'st Thou speak words to calm this troub. led heart of mine ?
"Thou know'st what Moses said," our Saviour made reply ;
If thou dost his commandments keep,surely thon can'st not die.
These laws, grood sir, I'vo kept from earliest years till now,
No murder, witness false, or fraud cause ma an aching brow.
And yet I feel a void, these laws can never fill,
A void, a troubled heart, a conscience never still
I ask: What must I do this blessing to obtain?
For I de-ire to please my God and life eternal gain.
The tender heart of Christ with deepest pity yearns,
He looks with look of love, then towards him gently turns
"Young man, thou lack'st one thing, whatere thou hast go sell
And give unto the poor, so shall thy soul be well ;
For this I'll give to thee the richest heavenIy treasure,
And that in large degree and infinite in measure,
Thy cross thou must take up and daily follow Me,
Or thou can'st not secure a blest eternity."
The young man turned away sad, and in great depression,
His grief was deep indeed for he had zreat possession.
I he price to him was high, too high for him to pay,
He loved too much the wealth of earth tiches that fly away,
He loved gold more than God, he lacked in this "one thing,
And one thing lacking, solemn thought,may saddest ruin bring,
And yet, alas! how few reflect upon the thought,
That earthly things, however great, may be too dearly bought
Then prize not gold too high, but faithful stewards be,
For to our God all things belong, in air, or sky, or sea,
The gold and silver all are IIis, the cattle and the land,
And every comfort that we lave comes from His bounteous hand.
They yield what Christ demands His claims are ever just,
And if His ways we cannot trace, believe, and pray, and trust.
Lendon, Ontario.

## A Beautiful Book.

The above book caption is wi.at everyone is saying about the new publication on the World's Fair issued by the Grand Trunk Railway System. It is without doubt the most artistic and beautitully goten up publication that has been issued in connection with the World's Fair. On the very hand some cover are illustrations of two beautiful statues displayed at the Fair, emblematic of the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean, emboss d with steel die in high relief. The book contains 48 pages with descriplive matter of the main featur's of the Exposition profusely illustrated, and embodies the latest and best maps of the City of St. Louis, showing street car lines and many other
features, also a map of the Werld's Fair grounds, and a large map of the Grand Trunk Railway System with the route to and from the Fair, as well as variable routes and attractive trips that will appeal to their patrons, A chapter on " How to Reach St. louis" is given, and all information that prospective visitors to the Fair are lonking for. The publication is not only one that will interest everybody who secures a copy, but will be a handy guide to those who take in the Exposition. Copy can be had for four cents in stamps, on application to G. 'T. Boll, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Montreal.
The Grand Trunk will on June $13^{\text {th }}$ commence to operate a double service direct to St. Louis from Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Etc.

## Rest in God.

The first vessel built on this continent was named "The Unrest." Ruskin otice locking out on the ocean exclaimed: "How shall we follow its eternal changefulne s of fecling! It is like trying to paint a soul." Yes, an unsaved and unregenerate soul; which is said to resemble "a troubled sca which cannot rest." But when a soul is saved, it is safe, and then it is calm. "Re. turn unto thy rest, Omy soul, for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee !" What restlessness there is out of God. Such a soul is like a sick man tosssing with a burn. ing fever in the night-like the wandering Jew going up and down the earth without a place to rest his fect-like "an infant crying in the night, an infant crying for the light, with no language but a cry"-like those black sea-gulls cutside the Golden Horn which on account of their apparently ceaseless motton and unending restlessness the sailors have named " lost souls." But, on the other hand, what restfulness there is in God. There is mental rest, physical rest, spiritual rest, the rest of pardon, the test of adoption, the rest of faith, the rest of assu rance that all things will work together for gool both for this world and for the nextall these and more have we whon we find nur rest in God-Rev. G. B, F. Hallock, D D.

## Meditation.

"Oh how love I thy law! it is my meid. tation all the day." Ps, 119-97.

Andrex Bona, tells of a simple Christian in a tarmhouse who had "meditated the Bible through three times." This is pre cisely what the pisalmist had done, he had gone past reading in'o meditation. Like Luther, he had shaken every tree in God's garden, and gatl:ered fruit therefrom." The idea of meditation is "to get into the middle of a thing." Meditation is to the mind what digestion is to the body. Unless the food is digested, the body receives no benefit from it. If we would derive the fullest benefit from what we read or hear, there must be that mental digestion known as meditation. If we would " buy the truth" we must pay the price which Paul intimates when he wrote to limothy, "Meditate upon these things ; give thyselt wholly to them." David meditated in God's Word because he loved it, and he loved it the more becaus: he mecitated in it-G. B. F. Hallock, D.D.

It is said that "when the Sons of God came to present themselv es before the Lord" that Satan came also among them. The incident is not altogether exceptional. Satan has been found in many congregations since that day, and always, as then, to stir up trouble.

## 8 8 8 8 <br>  The Quiet Hour.

 oocecon CevesectS. S. Lessox, 1 Kings 17: :176. Augus 7 , 1904.

## Golden Text-He careth for you-1 Pet $5: 7$ <br> by rev. w. J. clark, london, ont.

There shall not be dew nor rain, v. I. I secms a terrible thing that such a judgment shou'd be pronounced on a people, and yet if we read history aright, we shall see plainly that God still judges in the earth and that the nations who forget $\mathrm{H} m$ and turn aside to cvil are destroyed. National virtue brings with it national prosperity, and national wickedness Icads to degeneracy; and this is a worse penalty than even to be stricken with famme. And that which is true of the nation is true of each individual soul. The cost of $\sin$ is degradation, a weakcr body, feebler intellect, impotency of spitit. The devil's slaves become more and more abject.
I have commanded the ravens to feed thee thure, v. 4. We think of this as a vory wonderful tale. We forget the wonder of the tale that is being told us every day of God's providence. Are not raindrops and the sun's rays and the magic that is hidden in the clods of the earth, just as truly messengers of God to men, brirging them food for their sustenance? We stumble sometimes at the miracle; of scripture, but the whole of life and the provision made for its susterance is wonderful and may well call forth our praise and gratitude. Just as really as the ravens were Gud's messengers to Elijuh, so really are the forces of nature God's messengers to us.
And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning and . . in the evening, v. 6 The provision for the prophel's sustenance was given as he had need. There was un great store hoaped up, so that he might feel that he was provided for, for a considerable time. We pray wisely, when we pray, "Give us day by cay our daily bread." Sometimes it seems as though God's people were a little too anxious to have provision made for a long time in advance; and when there is too great an anxiety, plans have been made very carefully, sumething of the sweetness of dependence on His grace is threatened. It is hard for those who have great provision and many investments made for the future, to look to God with that quiet confidence and child like trust that is so precious a possession.

So he arose and went to Zarephath, v. 10. One thing that is very notable in the story of Elijah's life is the immediate obedience which he renders to God. When God's command here came, there was no besitancy (r argument on the prophet's part, no asking what the results would be. It was enough for him to know the divine will, and his only responsibility was to discharge it. This habit of ready obedience when God's word is plain to us, would save a great many distresses. Too often we find ourselves in some strait place, not knowing whither to turn, because we have hesitated about obeying when there could be no doubt as to God's will in the premises. Power for service depends to a great degree upon swift obedience.

That we may eat it, and die, v. 12. Here is the utterance of despair, and when we take all the circumst-nces into account, we can hardly wonder. When the whole land was suffering from straitness, who would care for this poor widow and her son? They had
not strength or cunning to battle or to scheme that they might get a share of any food that was left. And yet the time of her despair was the time of her deliverance. Surely it is true that "man's extremity is God's oppor tur ty." Let no child of God ever despair. He will deliver in His own good time. He will not suffer us to be tempted above what we are able, but with every temptation will provide a way of escape by enabling us to bear it.
And Elijah said unto her, Ferr tot, v. 13. If we were to look carefully through the scripture, we would be surprised how often this message, sometimes in the identical phrase, sometimes in other words, has come to the children of God. We should write the words where we can never fail to see them. If only we always had courage, how the spectres that affright us would dissolve into thin air! The Mast:r said, "Be not anxious, fur your Father knoweth ye have need of all these things." "Fear not" shou'd be the thought, not only of the irdividual Christian, but of the congregation, and of the whole church. If we are seeking to do the will of God,then we need have no ground for fear. For He will ieed and clothe and protect all the way.

The barrel of meal wasted not, v. 16. God was as good as His word. If we only had more knowledge of this widow woman, there would doubtless be meteresting disclosures as to her character. As Christ tells us, thete were many widows in that time (Luke 4:25), but only to this one was Elijah scnt. We may be confident there were reasons why she was chosen, and whe a blessed house that was, while the prophet dwelt in it! If we are to be blossed with the presence of God, then we must see that we are of such tempet and desire that we can rightly welcome H:m.

## Shall We Outgrow the Old-Time Christianity ?

"The day is coming when no one will be called a Christian unless he lives for human. ity as Jesus lived. A new life is stirring in the hearts and minds of men and women today. It is a new vision of the Christ."Horatio W. Dresser,

There are many conceptions of the true Christian life, most of them good and worthy of the founder of them all. By the heathens, that is those of un-Christian nations, every white man is considered a Christian. Even the most intelligent Japanese, for instance, finds it difficult to differentiate the Christian and the "sinner," as we do. To this confusion in the minds of those to whom Chis tian missionaries go is due much of the lack of success of the teachers of Christianity abroad. Unfortunately the type of "Christian" most foreigners are familiar with is not such as to inspire respect for or confidence in the divinity claimed for the religion of Christ.

But it is to be inferred from the above quotation that we ourselves have failed to grasp the completeness of the Christian Ife, the fullness of Christ? Are our faith and hope in the spiritual birth and baptismal sacrament antiquated, restricted and to be outgrown? Surely not. To those who have personally experienced the manifestations of the spirit there come no doubts of their attainment of the carthly ultimate. True, the professing Christian can contract
into narrowness. Growth is eisential to progress, and Christianity is not different from other forces which require efforts at ad. vancement. It is incumbent upon the Christian who would "enjoy religion" to practice the virtues of the religious as Jcsus did. S ch practice makes for enlargement, and enlargement is progress. He must be charitable and self-sacrificing. He must go about doing good. He must be just and generous, faithful, reasonable and zealous without presumption or intolerance. The new vision of the Christ, whatever it may unfold that is really new, will not alter his relationship to those who confess him and ac cept him as the source of grace in their redemption.

## Open the Door

Open the door, let in the air ;
The winds are sweet, and the flowers are fair, Joy is abroad in the world to-day ;
It our door is wide, it may come this way.
Open the door!
Open the door, let it the sun ;
He hath a smile for every one;
Ha bath made of the raindrops gold and gens He may change our tears to diadems, Open the door !
Open the door of the soul ; let in
Strong, pure thoughts which shall banish sin, They stall grow and bloom with a grace divine And their fruit shall be sweeter than that of the vine,

Open the door :
Open the door of the heart ; let in
Sympathy sweet for stranger and kin,
It will make the halls of the heart so fair
That angels may enter unaware. Open the door:
-British Weekly.

## He Came to Save."

Some years ago an itinerant minister was passing through a prison crowded with convicls showing every phase of ignorance and brutality. One gigantic follow crouched alone in a corner, his feet chained to a bail. There was an ut heaied wound on his face, where he had been shot while tiying to escape. The sight of the dumb, gaunt figure touched the visitor's sympathy
"How leng has he to serve ?" he asked of the guard.
"For life,"
"Has he anybedy outside to lo $k$ after him, wife or child?"
"How should I know? Nubody has ever noticed him all the time he has been here."
"Will you allow me to speak to him?"
"Yes, but only for a minute."
The minister hesitated. What could he say in one minute? He touched the man's torn cheek.
"J anm sorry," he said; "I wish I could help you."

The convict looked keenly at him, and he nodded to indirate that he believed in the sympathy expressed.
"I am goirg away, and shall never see ycu again, perhaps ; but you have a Friend who will stay here with you."

The small, keen cyes were on him; the prisoner dragged himself up, waiting and ager.
"Have you heard of Jesus?"
"Yes."
"He is your Friend. If you are good and true, and will pray to God to help you, I am sure the will care for you."
"Come, sir," said the keeper. "Time's up."
The clergyman turned sorrowfully away. The prisoner called after him, and, catching his hand, held it in his own while he could.

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Tears were in the preacher's cyes.
Fourteen years passed. The convict was sent to work in the mines. The minister went down one day in a mine, and among the workmen saw a gigantic figure bent with hardship and age.
'Who is that?' he asked the keeper.
"'A lifer, and a steady fellow, the best of the gang."

Just then the "iifer" looked up. His fig. ure straightened, for he had recognized the clergyman. His cyes shone.
"Do you know me?" he said. come soon? l've tried to be gocd."

## Weed Your Garden. <br> by G. b y hallock, D D

People, as well as sceds, get too crowded. One thing chokes cut another in our lives, and too often it is the best that gets choked out. We are living so fast, we have so much to do, so many interests. As someone, fecling the disadvantage of this hurry, said, "I am in danger of being jostled cut of my spintuality." It is a real danger, and one that threatens us all in our rushing life, and in these twentieth century days. Cares, worties, distractions, seem to grow in our hearts as naturally as weeds do in a garden.

Some people think worries quite harmless, but Christ spoke very strongly against them as most potent for evil in our lives, in the way of crowding out the good. He warned us strongly against all anxiety. He said plainly that it can :dd nothing to cur stature, possessions or success, but, instead, does us harm and grieves our hearenly Father, who all the while is caring for us.

There are two thinge, at least, about which we should never worly. First, the things we can't help. If we can't help them, worrying is certainly most forlish and useless. Secondly, the things we can help. If we can help them, let us set about it, and not weak. en our powers by worty. Weed your garden. Pluck up the smallest roots of worry. Yis, watch for their appearasice above the ground and pluck them while they are small. Don't let them get a start. They will crowd out all the beautiful things that cusht to grow in our hearts unless we do-Chistian Intelifgencer.

## The Prayerless Christian.

So familar are we with the B.ble commands and promises conceming prayer, and with the miracles that have been wruught by mon and women of faith through pte cer, hat we are accustomed 'o dwell on the f wer of prayer in bringing hings to pass which otherwise never would have been, and tu overlook the fact that prayealessness just as surely results in hindering events from coming to pass. Prayerlesshess is not only the negative force that we tstually think. It is as positive and as inexorable in its working as prayer, except that it works toward the undoing of the works of God. The prayerless Christian is like a soldier going into battle with a weapon of irresistible force, but bring. ing disgrace and defeat upon himself by neg. lecting to use a weapon. As Robert E. Speer says. "It is not prayer that is illogical, it is not prayer that is disruptive, it is not prayer that cuts across the orderly work. ings of God ; it is the want of prayer that is disruptive and distorts those plans. Years and years ago, when he outlined the development of human history, he arranged the place that the force of prayer should play in the world. I belicve in prayer as the great force in life. I believe in prayet inself as a life. I believe in prayer as a passion, an entreaty, as the utter longing and ingulfing of the will in great achievement."-Indian Witness.


##  <br> July 27. God Guiding us. <br> He will make bis opening remarks very

## Some Bible Hints.

David says it in as many ways as he can think of ; C d's is the greatness, power,glory, victory, majesty (1 Chron. 29: 11); and every other word of strength belongs to God.
We feel comforted when we put our hand in a hand that is strong; but God's hand is more than strong-it is strength (i Chron. 29: 12).
If there is anything that modern science has made certain, it is that the Creator has an infinite care for the smallest details (Luke 12:7)
C.A shows that He values us more than the sparrows, $n o t$ by caring for us better, but by giving us the power of caring for ourselves better (Iuke 12:7).

## Suggestive Thoughts.

God coes not guide us with a cold, dead chart, but Heguides us with a warm hand and a loving eyc.
Cod's guidance is not for all time, butfor all the time we will follow it.

All men wou'd accep: God for guide, if He would let them choose the way-that is, if He would cease to be guide.

Whoeter does not recognaze God's guidance in his life is not likely to have bcen God-guided.

A Few lilustrations.
No one ge's a guide if 'e e s sure he knows the way. Humility is the cundition of Gud's guidance.
An A pine guide put cut his hand for a treveler to stcp upor it as a bridge around a precppitous turn As the traveler hesitated, the guide said, "This hand never lost a man."
The guide rot only lead; the way, but he lightens it hy canrying the burdens.
Alpine fuides fastea the traveier to themselves with a rope. The rope that binds us to our hoavenly Guide is faith.

To, Think About.
D) I tust God's guidance day by day, or seek it only in emergencies?

Am I willing that God should geide me wherever He sees best ?
As God guides me am I secking to puide others to Him?

A Cluster of Quotations,
Guides mintaken and misleading
Guides mistaken and misleading,
Far from home, and help receding -
Vain is all thove voices say,
Vain is all those voices say,
Show me Thy way !-Lucy Larcom.
The man who would have God's guidance must be willing to make spiritual thanks his main business.-H. C. Mabie, D.D.

God sends His angels, cloud and fire,
To lead us o'en the desert sand. - Whittier. Lead me, O God, in life's brave early day, While skies are clear, and all the world is gay.
-Stockland.

## A Good Leader.

He will begin on time-though be is the only person in the toom.

He will end on time-though half the society are ready and eager to take part.
He will start in some brisk and unusual way-perhaps with sentence ptayers, perhaps with a concert Bible-reading, perhaps with a solo, perhaps with a recitation, per haps with out any introduction, reserving what he has to say to the end of the meeting.

He will have some plan for bringing out the other members, and especially the backward.
brief.

He will be cheery. He will never scold. Hc will praise when He can.

He will pray for his meeting. He will plan for it. He will prepare for it. He will throw his whole soul into it.

And then, he will not worry about it in the least, but will let God do with it whatever He sces best.

## The Seceret of Happiness.

The secret of happiness is not the size of one's purse, or the style of one's house, or the number of one's butterfly friends: the fountain of peace and joy is in the heart, If you would only throw open your heart's windows to the sunshine of Christ's love, it would scon scatter the chilling mists, and even turn tears into rainbows. Some professed Christians pinch and starve themselves into walking skeletons, and try to excuse themseives on the plea of ill healith or "constitetional "ailments. The medicines they noed are from Christ's pharmacy. A large draught of Bible taken every morning, a throwing open of heart's windows to the promises of the Master, a tew words of honest prayer, a deed or two of kindness to the nexi person whom you meet, will do more to brighten your countenance and belp your digestion than all the drugs of the doctors. If you want to get your aches and trials out of sight, hide them under your mercies. Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D.

## Daily Readings,



## Prayer.

Father, how often are we weary in 'well doing and rcady to faint? Let us sce the light of Thy face and then our way shall be cleat and our strength shall return. Show us Thyself in the presence of thy son, and may he walk with us so as to tell us Thy secret. Grant us patience and peace in all our work so that every day shall bring its own blessing and the years shall multiply our inner wealth and worth. Save us from the fallacy and folly of thinking that our life consists in the abundance of the things that we possess, but may we know that we are rich and strong only as we possess and are moved and mastered iy large thoughts and lofty aspirations. S:iving Thee may we be content with such things as we have and ever grow in grace and in beauty of Christ. So would we syend our days until cur work is dore and we enter in through the gates into the city. And this we ask in Jesus' nane. Amen.

At a single word of sympathy the life had been transformed, the convict redeemed.Michigan Christian Advocate.

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"This great mass of people, " said Phillips Brooks, "are stunted and starved with superficialness. They never get beneath the crust and skin of things with which they deal. They never touch the real reasons and meanings of living. It is better to be ov.rnbelmed with the awful voice of God than to become satisfied with the piping of mechanical ceremonies or lullabies of fratermal creed"."

The Bizhop of Rochester. England, Edw rd Stuart Taibot, D. D., a scion of one of h most ali,tocratic houses of Great Bit:ain and one of the best known ecclesiastical witers of the day, has lately issued a paper entitled "The Place of the Laity," in which $h=$ takes ground upon questions of chuich pulity not unlike that of the Westminster divines. In other words, he maintains that no church faithfully represents the church (f the apostolic age, or can possibly kcep near the heart of the gospel, if it ignore or treat slightingly the laits, the non clerical members of the body. His essay is called out by the approaching meeting of the National Church Council of England, in which the prosent confused condition of English church affairs will be considered. Represer tatives of both the clergy and the laity will meet in this assemblage. But even afer the appointment of the lay representatives, the attempt is made to shut out the laymen ir m discussion of any questions pertaining to "doctrine or discipline." Bishop Talbot goss en to show that the government of any church by its clerical members solely is unscriptural and dangerous; that "clericalism" is as hestile to truth and freedom in the Postestant Church as in the Roman communi $n$, and that the safety of any Christian body depends upon its readiness to place the minister and the layman side by tide with equal authonly touching all church matters in all church courts. This position and its historical rerification are endorsed by Tte Churchman, of New York, both the English bishop and the American journal agreeing that any church government wholly by its priests is governed to its spiritual undoing.

## PLACE OF THE NEGRO.

A correspondent of "The Outlook" wrote that journal to the effect that the negro has no soul, no God-given mental or intellectual qualifications of manhood, and that it is high time he is "given the place intended for him by the C-eator." To all which "The Outlook" makes fine and spirited reply. How are we to know, says our contemporary, for what place the Creator has intended any man? There is only one way. Give him the liberty of securing the fullest, freest, and best possible development. He is entitled to any place for which he can fit himself, and no man can tell by a priori reasoning for what place another man can fit himself. No one could imagine from reading the description of the Anglo-Saxon people in, say, the seventh or eighth centuries, that they were intended by their Creator to be the leaders of European civilization. No man knowing anything of the Japanese people in the first half of the nineteenth century could imagine that the Creator intended them for the place which they now occupy. No man can possibly torecast what is the place which the Creator intends for the Chinese race or for the negro race. Who could guess what the acorn would grow to when planted, if he had neve: seen an oak? Who could guess into what kind of manhozd a babe would grow if he had never seen a man? Who could 'recast a Newton or a Bismarck, a Browning or a Gladstone, from the babe crowing and kicking in his nurse's arms?
"What we demand for the negro," says The Outlook, "is liberty, and what we mean by liberty is the right to make every. thing of himself that he can make. It he can make of himself a Booker T. Wash. ington, and teach the whole nation, black and white, something respecting the fundamental principles of education for a race just emerging from slavery, he has a right to make of himself a Booker T. Washington, and all the country should welcome the result. It he can make of himself a farmer or a porter or a gardener or a cotton-field hand he can, and he should have every encouragement to do so."
"The Outlook" concludes with the following words :
"We protest vigorously, then, against the doctrine that one man can determine for another man what his place shall be, and what may be the limits of his developement, or that one race can do this for another race. Before any man can tell us what is the place intended for the negru race by the Creator, he must give us some evidence that he has been admitted into confidential relations with the Creator, and knows what the Creator's plans and purposzs are."

Herald and Presbyter: Some one has said that "Blessed are the poor in spirit" is the core of the Beatitudes. There is no bridge by which we can pass over from the mountain top of pride to that of grace. $V$ 'e must go down before we can begin to go up. Only he that humbleth himself can be exalted.

## THE 20TH CENTURY SABBATH

"We are told that the complicated civil ization of the twent eth century," requires that Sabbath observance and Sabbath laws should be relaxed. Nay, this is a new reason why they should be maintainca and strengthened. At Sinai, where the Sabbath law was reproclaimed, did those Hebrew herders, moving on at three miles an hour, need a law to protect them against an overstrain more than the engineers of to day, who drive their iron dragons a mile a minute, with hand on the throttle, eye on the track, every power alert? Did those dozen farmers, from whose ploughing-bee Elisha was called to be a prophet-1 have seen in that region a modern ploughing-bee of eighteen-did those farmers, gossiping together as they kept step with their slow oxen, need a Sabbath law more than the men in the Northwestern saw mills, who saw each a hundred thousand feet of lumber per day, and must watch the swift moving circular saw, lest it mistake one of th m for a log? Did the employees of Boaz, where capial said to labor, "The Lord be with you," and labor answered, "The Lord bless thee," require a Sabbath law for protection of servants more than it is required by the millions of employees today, whose master is "neither man nor woman, neither brute nor human," but the ghoul without a soul we call a corporation? Did Dorcas sitting in the sunlight beside her cottage, distaff in hand, leisurely spinning and weaving the coats and garments for the little orphans that played at her feet -did she irquire the protcction of a Sabbath law more than the young girl of foutten in a modern mill, working a dezen hours ;er day in the close air and clanging noise, under a hard master? Was there less excuse for our fathers to issue Sunday papers, when news crossed the Atlantic in two monthe, than there is for us, when the news of Eutope reaches us by telegraph the day beforc it happens ?-Craf:s.

## Literary Notes,

Blackwood's (Leonard Scott Publication Company, New York), for July contains an excellent articie which will appeal especially to Canadians, by Chas. Hanbury-Williams on "A Sping Trip in Manitobs;" and in "Musings Without Method," also we Canadians read with interest while not altogether approving the sentiment the editor's comments on the Dundonald affair and the military position in Canada. Other subjects are : "A Plea for Landlords," "The African Colony," being a review of a book of that name by John Buchan; "Professor Bain," and "Lord George Bentinek.

London Presbyterian : And, after all, the true fest for spiritual life for a nation or a city is not only, is not perhaps in the first place, the weekly attendance at a place of worship. It is rather to be found in the persistent and even agonised effort of the Church of Christ to soften the sorrows and heal the hurts of men, to bring her Master's Gospel of compassion into darkened lives, and overthrow the barriers with which legalized injustice as well as vice have blocked the openings to a fairer life.

## A GRASSPLOT THAT WASN•T SPOILED

There is a Presbyterian Church in a certain city which wil accommodate ahout 1,503 people. It is diectiy across from a large pub'ic patk. On any clear Sunday night durigg the tummer season, there are at least 10,000 peop'e in the park and about fifty peopie inside the chutch.

I said to the pastor, after I hal become familiar with the situation, " Doctor, why don't you get out on your church steps with your young people and have an outdoct service? You've got a veice big enough to be heard two blucks away. You can attract the people by use of a cornet, and then you can preach to them. You can then invite them to an afier-meeting inside the church.

The minister was willing to act on the suggestion, but he naturally replied that he would bring the matter befre his session first of all.
The session was made up of twelve good men. I believe that they were all Christian men. After they had discussed the matte: for some time, the quest on was decided in the negative, " Yuu see, bucause, as one of them put $i$, we have a grassplot in front of our church, and sone of the people might come over out of the park and step on the grass." Shades of the Gadarenes !

Within a few blerks of that very church a s.cralis: seld forth cvery Sunday night from the enc' a a bobtailed cart, and he was addressing more men in a single night than that church reached in a jear of Sunday nights.

That "grassplot!" How many Christians have "prassplots" of eelfishness, of puide, of indifference, which sand hetween them and the great mass of thes out of the cluych, and more impottant still-out of Chist! -Rev. Charles Serzie,-Chicago Interior.

## Sparks From Other Aavils.

South western I'resbyterian: There is no place for a walk!ng cenctery, or a professing Christian full of dead and buried talents. God has given us these talents for tse, and not for burial.
Morning Star : The success of every society, as of every charch, very largely depends upon the depth of spiritual lite enjoyed by the officers and commitees, more upon this one thing than up an any other which can be named It is scarcely possible for a society etlicered and com. mitteed by young people without depth of life in Christ, without breadth of life in Christ, without depth of life exceeding the average to be a spiritual success.
Surday School Times: 'God is hampered by human language." That was the way tha. Moody put the truth, in one of lis Northfield talks: "God cannot say all that he means in our human language, but he always means all that he says, and more-never less." The suggesiiveness of Bible truth is ever more than its explicit statements. God's love and goodness are ever more than we can tell or think
Michigan Presbyterian: The Allis* Chalmers Company of Chicago, has issued an order for "no beer drinking in any of its plants," thus placing itself in line with many railroads and other concerns which enjoin their employees from the use of intoxicants.

THE DOMINION WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNIONON THE CIGAR ETTE BILI. IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS Aad "'r. Gervals' Ammendment,
It is now over five years since the agitation for a bill to prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of cigarettes began. In that time and in the interests of this bill, thousands of public addresses have been made, hundreds of thousands of pages of literature scattered and a petition, representing nearly 200,000 perple, presented to parliament. The piress of this country, from Nuva Scotia to 1ritish Columbia, has noticcd and, in the main, approved the movement. Amongst religious and temperance journals therehas been no dissenting voice of which we know. The Presbyterian Gencral Assenbly, cvery Methodist Conference in the country, Buptist Convention, the Congregational Unton and the general gath. crings of other dinominations and of 1 cm perance and philanthropic societics, have pasied strong's-worded resolutions of endorsation, as anve also many city and town coain ls and school boads. Fram individual voters thoasinds of letters and thlegrams have poured imo Ottawa to their :epresentatives, asking support for the masure.

Its Introduction.
Last scssion a motion f.visig such a bill was introlutat an! cavied by 103 yeas to 48 naye. The bu! flloved, running a long gaumtiet of uppasition. It was pus'ied from one pmper to another and finally ir mped ut of si, ht oa a tuling of the Speak. er. It was pomted out at the thme, by a friend of the bill, that other measure had been pernutted to pass that might have been knuted on the same grounds.

This year the bill has had a first and second reading and has passed committee of the whale It is now confronted with an amendment, intreduced by Mr. Gervais. This asks that the title of the bill be altered and cresy clause in it struck out. Instead of prohibiting manufacture, importation and salce as in Tinnessec, Okloboma, etc, it provides that sale to thuse under 16 years of age be forbidden.

The following are the ubj ctions to such action:-Ist-Five out of cur seven provinees have aheady itgislated again-t the sale to minors, not only of cigarettes, as in Mr Gervats' biil, but of all forms of tobacco. British Culumbia set the age at 15 , N va Scotia and Prince Edward Island at 16 and New Brunswick and Ontario at 18 ,1.015 4 age. It was because these enac mutits had proved worthicss to even restrain, thuch has
 that appeal was made to Ottawa. Age-limit legislation belonas to the provincial geverbents and prombition to the Jominion. liut age-limit laws have been tried and found wanting by the provinces.
and-In over twenty states of the Ameri can Union cigarettes are probinted to thote under stated ages. There is lut one virdict on the value of such enactmonts. Giv ermment statistics, the declaration of cducationalists, officers of the law, parents and others interested in the young, all disprove their (ffiicacy.

## The Tricks of the Trade.

Within the last five years prohibitury bills have been introdeced mito many state legis* latures and their fopularity amongst the
people was made apparent by the petitions that accompanied them and the letters that followed in their wake. To offset this rational solution of the question, tobacco interests have continually introduced age-limit laws. If the state prohibited sale to those under 15 then the cigarette champion argaed vig. orously for 16 or even 17 or 18 years of age -anything but prohibition. "The Boy," organ of the National American Anti-Cigarette Lague, said last ycar
"Laws forbidding the sale to, minors are encouraged by a mythical society which seems to exist only in the elaborate letter heads which have named Sin Francisco, St. Paul, and other places as headquarters. As long ago as 1897 a Chicago morning paper assisted the editor of "Boy" in investigating this pretended organization, which continues to send to legislatures and others, most specious arguments and many absolutely false statenients, and found it a fraud. 'The Society for the Suppression of the sale of Tubacco and other Narcotics to the Youth of the Nation,' is a name that carries weight when the fraud has not been exposed."

The latest device of those "whose craft is in danger" is a past-card chain crusade, gotten out urder the auspices of "The National League of the U. S. Moral Societs-headquarters Philadelphia, Pa.,-with no specific address given. Each person receiving a card is requested to send their name and address for a monster petition to Congress to prohibit sale to minors, and to write three friends to do likewise. This scheme was sprung upon any s'ate which was on the eve of passing a prohibitory lill. Altention was divided and thereby dissipated. Many of these cards found their way into Canada. A London lady who complied with the request to send her name recelved the following reply from the Thiladeiphia l'ust office :

Office of the Superintendent of $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{c}}$ livery, Philadelphia, Pa.,
Mrs. June 1, 1904.
I sndon, Ont., Can.
Dear Madam,
Replying to your favor of the 27 th ult., regarding a lettcr addressed, National League Suclety, Phuladelphia, which was returned to you through the Dead I.etter Office, I have to inform you that mail so addressed is undeliverable and hundreds of pieces, at intervals, are forwarded to the Dead Letter Office, Washington, D) C.

## Respectfully yours,

## Geo. W. Knowles, <br> Asst. Postmaster.

Mr Gervais' biil is an attempt to lead into a blind alley the forces now arrayed in deadiy combat against the cigarette. With an ind.ficrence to criticism that is astonishing, the penalties are all of the "not-exceeding" variety, which law breakers hold in such contempt. The magistrate may impose a fine a.ywhere between one cent and one hundred do late, or imprisonment for an hour or six months. As a final hamper to action, the bill provides that unless information is laid within four weeks of the contravention of the act, nothing can be done.

Should this amendment become law we will have anothe r example of "the mountain that labored and brought forth a mouse" it will only satisfy the tobacco interests.

## Signed,

Annie O.Rutherford, Pres. Dom.W.C.T.U. Annie Barcon, Cor. Sec, Dom. W.C.T.U. Jennie Waters, Supt. Anti-Narcotic Dept. in Dom. W.C.T.U.


## What A Boy Knew About Ants

Alice ran down to cut a white rose. A boy sptang up from behind the bush, pulled off his cap, and said, "I-I didn't mean to do it! Surely I didn't!'

Alice was startled but the trouble in the boy's face made her want to help him, "What didn't jou want to do ?" she asked.

He pointed to the gardener who was gat hering up the roots of a plant that had been knocked down and the pot broken. The gardener was scolding. As Alice turued she saw him shake his fist at the boy.
" I was down on the ground watching the ants," said the boy, "and he called so sharply that I jumped, and there was a crash. l'il pay for the pot. I have a little money at home, and-"'
"Never mind the pot," said Alice "Tell me about the ants!'
" I was watching them. I'm Dr. Wilson's boy. He's a naturalist, and-"
" O ," said Alice," you have but just come here. You are our new neighbors."
"Yes ; papa is writing a book about ants now. I-I hope the gardener wen't disturb the little things."
"That is why you didn't run away?
"Yes I wanted to sce what they do after the battle?"
"Boy, you are quecr," said Allice. "What battle."
"Why our red ants came over and made a raid on your black ones. There's a little town-formicary, papa calls it-or black ants under that bauch. And in a corner of our garden there is a big town of red ants. Our ants are slave makers. They go out and kidnap the babies of black ants-the Fuscans. Our ants have a good many slaves now ; but it seems they want more, so-"
"Boy!'said Alice, scverely.
' O , it is true! and it has been true for a hundred sears. It was found out by a Swiss named Huber. He called the red ants Amazns. And now in America we have ants that are, at least, cousins to them. They do the same things that those others did two hundred years ago. Only, we have two kinds. One is called Polyergus. Their fighters are wonderfully brave when attack ing and carrying away spoil ; but at home they do nothing. The blacks do the digping make the chambers and long halls. They take care of the little ones of the reds, like foster mothers. All of this makes the reds so lazy that they even have to be fed. It has been tried. Reds of that kind have been shut up, with plenty of food, and some have starved to death. All of them would have done so if the shiny black slaves had not been let in to feed them, make the house orderly, and do the work, they had been accustomed to at home."
"This is very wonderful," said Alice, "Sit down on this bench! And the others?"
" The others are called Sanguines. They fight and work both. The slaves only help them. They do not do all of the work. The home of these red ants have a style of their own, with but little sign of the slave style of building; while the others-the lazy ones-let the slaves build their cities nearly like their own. In either case no black queen is permitted to lay her eggs in the home of the slave-makers. She is killed. When they want new slaves they go out and
raid for another supply."
"And are the slave-makers red?"
"Yes ; that makes it easy to watch them." At this moment the old gardener came up, took his hat off to Miss Alice, and said: "O''m afther wahrnin' gees agin th' b'y, miss. He's that throublesome, miss-'
"O, John, don't scold !" cried Alice. " He's our new neighbor, and he's very sorry -though I'm glad. Don't bother us, please, John! He's telling me the most wonderful things!"
"Wahnderful, indade!" said John. "I'll warrint me he's tillın' av th' koind young leddy wahnderfu! tales-wahnderful tales, indade!"
"Well ?" questioned Alice, turning to the boy.
"Well," the boy answered, I saw our red ants come out of their town and tush about, making up their army and gettung up their courage. And I knew that a fight was coming. They ran back and forth and around and arourd. Twas as if they were stirring each other up. One would hit the forehead of another. Or two of them would strike hands and seem to say: 'We're in for it! We'll give it to 'em!' Perhaps some were lazy and didn't want to go. Maybe some were afraid. But others felt like fighting ; they j st bullied the rest into going.
" While the red ants were hustling about, getting up their courage and making sure that they were all in fighting trim, the black ants-their slaves-went calmly on with their regular work. They carried out tiny pellets of earth that they had loosened inside carricd in supplies, and seemed to be doing up the morning's work. Some of them, though acted as it they were urging the reds cff-sort of daring them, you know. And some of the slaves saluted the reds with their hands-or antennae-and heads, something as soldiers do an officer."
"You have very sharp eyes or a fine imagination," said Alice.
The boy smiled. "And when the reds were all ready-nobody has found out what that means, for there seems to be no general -they just start off on a regular raid for plunder. And every one of them seems to know all about it. De McCook-he's a great man and a friend of papa's-says that il's like having a whole army made up of brigadiers!
"Well, after the rcd ants had been rushing about, making all that noise-"
"Noise!" exclaimed Alice. "Those tiny creatures."
"Only when many are together and pre paring for battle do you hear it. Perhaps it comes from their hitting their hard little bodies against cach other. Professor Wheeler-he's another big man, but papa isn't sure of this-thinks they have tiny cymbals close to their bodies, which they rasp when they are in a fighting mood. They get as close to each other as they can walk. Maybe that's to kcep their courage up." The boy stopped. He seemed to be think. ing.
"You are very wonderful," said Alice. "Tell me all you know !"

That would be little.'
"I think not," said Alice.
" Well, our red ants marched about thrice hundred feet to day to sour little Fuscan
village, which is almost hidden among the grass tufts. They came across the corner of the grove, along the tree that your gardener cut down, and across the walk. Thicre weren's many in the black's little formicary. The reds rushed against it and into the open gates. The blacks were scared Some of them took the eggs and half formed baby ants in their mouths and ran out the back way. They tried to save as many as they could. Others came bravely out and fought their way through the enemy, or were killed.
"Some ran into near branches of grass Cr clmbed the fence posts and looked down, to watch the hundreds of wicked foes ransack and ruin their homes. They could see them carry the young ones that were left, away in their jaws. I saw it all this moming. And I followed the reds when they straggled home. They didn't keep step nor close together. They just got there the best way they could. And, if you'il believe it, the black slaves came and took the little, black, halfformed baby captives into the formicary. There these little ones will grow up to be slaves like themselves. The reds are not crucl. They seem to want large cities-to rule everything. And they make these raids so as to add to their numbers. The blacks could run away, but they don't.
" I came back again and was watching your poor little Fuscans come hame-those that were left."

Alice looked sorowful. "Are the blacks always beaten ?"
"O, no! Sometimes the reds attack a strong Fuscan formicary. Then there is a great time. The blacks seem to know that the reds are coming. They scnd out an army to meet them. Sentinels are posted at every large entrance. Tiny pebbles or earth pellets are roiled against the small doors. The angry blacks-who are not so heavy as the reds-tush at them with open jaws. Ants have teeth in their upper jaws, and often a red and black lock j :ws, and pull and pull for a long time. You think the red, then the black, will win. Scmetimes one of them throws poison into the others face. Sometimes another black, in running ty, sces his brother in such trouble and catches the red by the log. Then a red may come up and catch this little black one by one of his feelers. And so on until there's a great jumble of fighters all in one mix-up.
"The kidnappers are sometimes bad y beaten. The ones that are Icft limp back home-sometimes with the head of a black, that has been broken off, hanging to one leg. Then again the blacks chase the reds home, nipping at them and fighting them all the way. They often rescue some of the little prisoners and carry them back home.
"Those that had run out, carrying the babies and eggs to safe places-you see the y know what the redsare after-come cau ticusly in. Probably the warriors who routed the enemy, become very proud as they talk it all over. Ants living near the slavemakers are more cautious than those far away. They build their homes low, so as not to attract attention, and carry the dirt that is dug out far enough away to prevent a clew. They have few entrances, and those are hidden. Other ants are sometimes very troublesome. They injure gardens and lawns by building their cities high. O, I must tell you one thing more!"
"Do tell me!" sadd Alice.
"Once Dr. $\cdot$ McCook saw an ant-such as they make slaves of-acting strangely. She was finishing her little house. After she had rolled a tiny pebble to the door and added wee bits of earth, she walked away and

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as possible standbys. These combinations, entered on the faithful card catalogue under the head of each important ingredient, with the briefest explanatory rord that may recall the process, make a marked difference in the variety of the meals. The sense of permanent achievement, also, that comes from recording not only success, but particulanly appetizing menus, lists of tempting desserts or salads or soups and a dozen other such motters, makes an unspeakable difference in the zest with which meals are ar-ranged-and the enjoyment with which they are caten, too!

Under the head of "Likings" go the favourite dishes of welcome guests, as they have been discovered from time to time, and these serve not only for future icference, but as a pleasant reminder of good times and merry meals. "The Harrises-shrimps with tomato sauce," is certainly a stimulating memorandum.

The card catalogue, however, is far too helpfut to be kept for kitchen use only. There must be anolliet one to match this fur general family comfort. The books one covets, the little trips one plans to take next summer aud may forget when the holiday time comes unexpectedly soon, the endless list of heuscl.old conveniences that "sometime" one hopes to own, the new china or silver of glass that one happens to think wou'd be desirable, the pictures to be framed, even the juurny to the dressmaker's and the letters and calis and errands -for more than ail this will the card catalogue take care of sa'e's $f$ r us. Whe has only to slip a new card, or slip cnt one if the memorandum is to be carried with oneThere need be no misplacing and no forgetting.

The card catalozuc has thus its own cornorin the home, it: now headings added from week to week, its old cards thrown away. It becomes a ort of mind in the houch 1.1, and with a calon conscience one lets it do the wonging. The feedom it ma. give is great out of all proportion to the bisf of time it takes to add a word or a sentence there.

The student does not keep, all his refercnees in his order'y mind. Th. card catalogue bas freed him from vast ucai. of strain and worry and confustun. I can so free the twentieth-century housowif:, it she will but let it. - Nitalic Rice Clisk in Harpet's Buzzar.

## The Phillippine Census

The first comple'e and conect census of the Philppine Idx.d., ot publishod, gives the total populat on ot 7,635 426, which is somewhat less than t! e usuat estmace. It will be a suprise (t) most perple to icam that only 646.740 are classed as wil! and uncivilized, leaving aimost $7000,0 c 0$ ot the Filipinos who are civilized. The whe tribes form so inconsidetable a pr rtion of the people as to be hard y worthy of conctuantion in thinking of the people as a while, l.ke the American Indians, howera, they make an amount of trubble, altogether dis; tionate to their numbers. Thete are 343 islands with names and many whets not given by name. The island havity the mos! ;-se ple is Luzon with $3,798.507$, of whe m 222 , 506 are uncivilized. Panay has 743,646, Cebu 592,247, all civilized, Mmdanao, 499, 634 , of which 252.940 or mure than onehalf, are wild tribes Alavila, the largest city, has 310,028 inhabiantis. Only 23,000 of the aborigmal Nep,ios remain. Nearly all the civilized lipars ate nominally Roman Catholics.

## BABY'S DANGER.

The summer months are a bad time for babies, and an anxious time for mothers. Fermentation and decomposition in the stomach and bowcls are the cause of the summer complaints of babies and young children. This is the reason why the hot weather months are more fatal to little ones than any other season. Baby's Own Tablets should always be found in every home, where there are young children and their prompt use during hot weather may save a precious little life. The tablets care constipation, diarrhoea, and stomach troubles, and are guaranteed to contain no opiate or harmful drug. Mrs. Walter Rollins, Sissons Ridge, N. S. says :-" Before using Baby's Own Tablats my little one cried almost continuously with stomach troubles. I can truthflily say I never had any medicine act so promptly and give such satisfaction as the tablets do. I do not think you made any claim for them which their use will not substantiate." The tablets can be had from any medicine dealer or by mail from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brokville, Ont, Price 25 cents a box.

## Three Little Rules.

Three little rules we all should keep
To nake life happy and bright-
Smile in the morning; smile at noon And keep on smilug at night!

St. Nicholas.

## Taking Out Christianity.

Nurah hid a "model village," and she nevr tired of sctuing it up.
" What kind of a town is that Norah ?" asked her father. "Is it a Christian or a heathon town?"
"Ol, a Chritian tuwn," Norah answered quickly.
"suppose we make it a beathen town ?" ter tather suggested. " What must we take "-
"The church," said Norah, setting it to one side.
"Is that all?"
" 1 :uppose so.
"No, indeed," her fother said. "The public school must go ; there are no public schoois in reathen lands. Take the public lijuary, too," her father directed.
" Anything clse?" Norah asked, sadly.
"Isn't there a hoppital over there?
"Bu', father, don't they have hospitals ?"
"Not in heathen countries. It was Christ who taught us to care for the sick and the uld."
"Then I must take out the Old Ladies' Hone," said Norah, very soberly.
"Yes, and that Orphans' Home at the othar und of town.
"Why, father," Norah exclaimed, "there is nom a good thing left : I wouldn't live in sici a cown for atything! Does knowing Sout Jesus make all that differenceSelected.

## A Scanty Breakfast.

An old miser, who ventured to criticise a minister whose salary a $23^{\text {behindhand, and }}$ who had publicly riquested that the deficit be made up socs, tudely demanded of the preacher: "Parsu", are you preaching for souls or for money ?" The parson replied, with possibly an undue acerbity, "I am preaching for souls, but I cannot live on them. If I did it would take ten thousand little ones like yours to make me a breakfast. -N. Y. Observer.

## Ministers and Churches.

Toronto

The Central service last Sunday night was conducted out of doers on account of the heat. The Rev. Joseph Hamition and Mrs Humit. ton (Mimico), accompanied by the Msses Hami ton and Mr. H. C. Hamlien, have gone to Clitton Springs for a few wells.
The autograph of King Edward may be ceen in the window of the Upper Canada Bible Society, 102 Yonge strect. It was obtained through Lord Stratheona for a sousengr volume
being published by the Bible Socicty. being published by the Bible Socicty
"There is only one thing that prevents a doubling of the staff of the Victorian Order of Nurses," zaid Miss Eastwoed in her report at the annual meeting of that organization last week, work could be done, but for thin dearth of applicants." The work of the past ytarby the order has been most gratifying. In 1903 there were 196 all night servicer giten and 194 night visits made. There are now 260 ductors employing Victorian nurses as compared with 2.37 in the year previous. Twelse nursex passed the prea to the order. During the year the seven Toronto nurses have cared for 406 patients, and made in at! 580 ez viats. In all $\$ 1 / 35$ to was received in twes. Senator George A. Cox prosided at the
meeting.
Byron E. Walker, general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and trustee of the University of Toronto, has announced his ibtentoon to present to the university a very valuable therewith. The gitt which mr. Walker is makmg is worth many thousind dollars and will be of immense value to the university, and will supply a longetelt want. It has been Mr. Walkersintention for many yoars to present his
magnificent palacontological collection to the university at his death, bat he has realized that such a delay in handing over the colle tion mi h. t largely defeat the offe ot he has in view. The
collection will, the refore, be given to the unicollection will, therefore, be given to the uniis supplied and competemt taching in the sutpott of palacontolosy e-tablikhed, Mr. Walket is a member of St . Andrew's church, King street.
The Toronto Tclegram says: Res. Dr. Wikie, late of Indore, India, leaver Toronto in the end of September for his work in Gwalior, India. He travels via Londen and the Sucz canal. Notwithstanding the dection of the Prestyterian A-senbly. Dr. Wilkie has had innumerable evidences of sympathy with the course he is purang. He goes sut to Thdas with a strong backing bo hind him, and, jutking by the in India, be will make his mark in the new fichd the has elosen. Dr. Wikie contemplator cducational as well as evangelistic work at Gwatior. Resides evangelising those of mature years he probable that the joun may Geat Gwar probable that the future may seat Gwatior a
college, whence a native ministry will gotorth college, whence a mative ministry will go torth
thear the Guaplol of peace to the menbers of their own race
Rev. Dr. Mackay han received a tetogrom announcing that Rev, Minthews Swartewt, Protbylerian missonary, han brtm Srelil! Columbia coast on the 1,th but that the accident was not discosered until Staday, when a party of his boat came asbore. "The death, of Mr. Swartaut, sidid Dr. Mckay, "is a vevere blow to our Indian work on the Fat fic Coast. He was once
described to ne as the most apotoltic man in the west coast. He wav kood in charaterer. He fought valiantly asainst the pread of the liquor habit with the lidisens, and harkely as a result of hiv efforts the trafil. Wav practically
suppressed. Betore leaving Toronto 12 years suppressed. Betore leaving Toronto 12 years ako, be was an elder and Sundiy whool superHe answered Dr. Roberson's call for workers for the plains, and after two yoas there, went to the coast." Mr. Swartout leates a widow and two daughters.

## Eastern Ontario.

Rev. W. F. Crawtord, who conducted the service for old St. Andrew's church in L.matk village for the past your, has receited a call to Chesterville and will be indected at an early date.

Rev, John Pringke, of the Vukon, addressed a mion meeting in Smith's Fatls last week.
Rev. Dr. Gordon, Principal of Queen's Uniirsity, Kingston, conducted the service in Si. Andrew's shurch, Gananeque, on Sunday
The Rev.Mr. Johnton, of Millbrook, occupied The putpit of the First church. Pot Hope, very aceoptably oa the 17 th . In the morang the lext was taken from Palm 1/2: 4 : - I hooked on my ight hand and beheld, but the re was no mat that would know me: refuge failed mee ; no mall ared for nuv soul.
The congregations of St. Joln's and Knex churches, Cornsall, will worship together for a , week, beginning Sabbath mornimg held in knox the morning meetings wertings in St. Johns chursh. The prayer meetings will also be united, and will be lield in St. John's church on Ang. 3 rd and toth, then in Knox church, be* ginaing due 17 th.
The Presbytery of Lanark and Renfrew met in St. Andrew's chureh, Carleton Place. There was a rather small attendance and nothing of kerygreat moment trallspired. The commission appointed to investigate the question of the mion of the two Lanark congregations reported that the union had been effected and that the anited congregation wished the privicke of moderating in a call. Rev. G. T. Bayne, of Ashton, Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pembroke, and Rev. A. II. M.Farlane, of Franktown, reported from General Assembly meeting The report of the Home Mission committee was presented by Rev. A. A. Scott and the grants to mission stations passed. The report of the Augumenation committee was presented by Rev. Jolon Hay. The mission field of Bathurst, Rev. John Grege, pastor, asked to be raised to the standing of an allymented congregation its financial standing. Mr. H J. Keith, B.D. a graduate of Montreal college, was examined and licensed by the Prosbytery. Arrangements were mpde for his ordination, which will t:ke
place in St. Paul's church. Smith's Fails, on place in St. Paul's church. Smith's Fails, on ide, Rev. G. A. Woodsite, M. A., to preath, Res. i)r. Crombie to ordain and adlress the minisler, Rev. D. Currie, of Pelth, to address thepronl: Mr. Kenth has the forengen field in view as the scene of his future labors.

## Western Ontario.

The Auther congregation have let the contract for a $\$ 2,200$ man -C
The First church at Wilton Grove is at present undetaong extensice repairs end mprowemeot On lat Sunday the Sunday School and Sunday morning service were hed on the lawns, where comfortable seats were arranged for the worshippers. Rev. Dr. McCrae confucted this onique service
Rev. R. A. Laidlaw, B. A. who has recently aceepted a call to belleville, ably conducted services at the First church, Loadon, on SaL bath ia the absence of Rev. W. J. Clatk
Anniversary services were held in the Sombra church on Sunday evening. The Rev. S. B. Ruwoll, 18.A., of Hillaturg, preached. On Aonday csening a very suctessiol social was beld on the churell lawn.
Rev. Dr. Hamiton, of Stratforl, occupied the pulpit of Knox church. Tasistock, for the las two Sabbaths, during the absence of Rev. H. A. Culto h, B. 1)

Rev. Robert Aylward, of Parkhill, peached in St. Andrew shurch, 11 imition, on the 17 th. ln the morning the preached an eloquent and able semmon from the text Rev 21., "And I saw a new Heaven and a new earth," etc.
A remarkable coincidence occurred at the serWhile the pastor, Rev, R. E. Knowles, was holding a short memorial sersice to the late Rev. Dr. J. Cumming Smith, of Indianapoliv, and whose father, the Rev. Dr. J. K. Smith, was for many years pastor of Knox church, Galt, and wav present at this sersice, gray and teeble, a telegram arrived, informine a member of the consercsation of the sudden death at Clewtand Ohio, of Mr. Nrthur Jackom, a son of the Rev, Dr. Jackson, who was hi o for many years pastor of Knox church, Galt.
On Sabbath the Rev. Dr. Meffat, secretary of the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society, preached in Preston and Doon Mills. It is fust 49 years ago since Dr. Moffat, then a very young student, preached his first sermon in the Doon Mills church. Since then he was a8
years the minister at Walkerton. For the last fifteen years he has been the secretary of the Tract Society in Toronto. During these fifteen years the Traci Society has made remarkable progress. It has now at work it missionary copporteurs, 3 missionaries 10 sailors, and 70 native Chinese Christian colporteurs to Central China. Dr. Meflat xas ene of Dr. Tassie s lat-
orite students, when the Cellegiate had ouly one room.

## Northern Ontario.

Rev. A. B Winchester, of Knox church, Toronto, preathed in Oillia last Sunday. Rev. A. C. Wishart, B.A., preached in St. Gillies, Oak St. Toronto
Rev: John Baily, L.L.B , Kilmachie, Ont. preached in Kinox church, Beaverton Sunday.
The ladiss of the Aid Sociely of Knox chur h Beaverton, have arranged for a lawn nocial to the hed on the church grounds on the evening of Friday, July 29 th.
Thas week the old semi-circular plank walk at the matin entrance to Knox church, Owen Sound has been removed and is beine replaced by a broad cement walk leating directly to the entrance.

The Rev. W. G. Hanna, of Mount Forest was in Ilolstein, on Wednesday evening of last wea $k$ and the Rev. D. L. Camphell, of Dromore, at Fairbairn on Tuesday evening, conferring with the congregations in reterence to the pastor's evangelist in the bounds of the Syood. The congregations though kreatly krieved at the prespect of losing their beloved pastor, decided to leave the matter in his laands. It is hoderateod that the Rev J. Little will take up the workfor two months, anc decide later whether he shall enter upon it permanently or not.

## Guelph Preshytery

The Guelph Presbytery held the fourth of its regular meetings for the year in Chalmers church, Guclph, on Tuesday, 19th July. Mr. Glasvford was appointed Mocerator pro tem-

The Rev. Ruberi E. Knowles, B.A., of Knox church, Galt, Was chosen Moderator for the year. As he is at present away in Britain, Mr. Glassford continued to occoly the chair

The resignation of Rev. Mr. Cunningham from the pastorate of St. Androw's church, Hawkes the pastorate of St. Andrews church, Hawkes-
ville and Linwood was accepted, and Mr. G.I christ was appointed to declare the pulpit vacant christ was appointed to declare the pulpit vacant
o) the firit Sabbath of August. Mr, Nonds was ot the firit Sabbath of August. Mr. Monds was appointed to act as inter $m$ Moderator of Session,
and it was referred to the Committe on Augand it was referred to the Committee on Aug-
mentation to procure supply till the end of Syp tember
Next meeting was appointed to be hold in Knex church, Guelph, on Tuenday, zoth Sep tember, at 10.39 forenoon.

## Whitby Presbytery

At the last meeting of Whitby Presbytery Dr. Abraham anal Mr. Hodges in reporting their diligente as commisvioners to the Gernern Aswembly, gave inspiring addresses. Dr. Abraham spoke of the political significance of these mectingy of Aswembly I int year in Vancouser, this year in St. John, binding together the Eist and the West. He dwelt upon the success with which Home Missions were being prosecuted and of the great work and dentiny of our Chureh. Mr . Hodses spoke of our growing church as destined to hold the leading position as a moral force in thi, Dominion. At the Avsembly, Home Missiony had the right of way. The magnitude of the Church's undertakings made one feel it an honor to be connected therewith.

The following are the conveners of the standing committeen appointed for the gear: Chureh Lite and Work, Rev. R. M Phalen; Sobbath Schools, Rev. W. S. Wright ; Voung People's Socteties, Rev H. Murroe ; Augmentation Rev. J. Hodgev: Hom. Miosions, Rev. G. Me Gregor ; Forcign Missions, Dr. Ahraham.
A deliverance of the Assembly re increase of minimum stipend was read and at commaittee was appointed to strike committes whose duty it shall be to visit congregatlons gising less than the proposed min'mun and urge them to incre ise the sal ories fid to their ministers
A committee wa appointed to arrange, for a conference to be held at the next meeting of Pre-bytery: The next meeting of Pre,bytery will be held at Whitby on the eighteenth of O.A teber next.

The Necessity of the Sabbath to the West.

## By "RALPH CONNOR

The General Secretary had written to Rev C. W. Gordon, understanding that he was a Commissoner to the Presbyterian General Asvembly at St. John, inviting him to give an address at the New Brunswick Lord's Day AI liance Convention, which mot in St. Jolin during the meeting of the Assembly. Mr. Gurdon was unable to attend eillier gathering, but sent the lollowing letter. It is a rimging nowsage from a strong man, and we take the liberty of giving our toe, ooo readers the benatit oi it

## My Dear Shearer

I am sorry to say that I canot be at the Assembly this year. I find it imporsible to get away. Had I been foing it would have given me very great pheasure to have spoken on the subject you set belore me, "The Importance of the Lord's Day to the West." I should have put it "necessity" - "the necessity of the Lord's day o a stable, permanent Western Empire
You know that the sreat, the overwhelming danger to our. West is that of materialism. Our magnificent resources in material things, our xtraordinary development, the tremendous energy of onr people, inducing kcen competition and an intense struggle for mat, rial successbese things combine to make the rest of the Sabbath and its spiritual recall an aboolute ne essity to our highest development as a nation. It is hard for anyone not in the country to realiz. the tremendous pull that our western life exerives upon the spirit of any man of enterprise. The chances for making wealth are so many and so great. Examples of thase who hive made wealth are to be seen on elery sde, hence the emptation almost inconceivable to ansone not on the spot, to forget all things else than the making of a fortunesit is almost impossible to re sist. What a blessing that the Sabbath inter venes between the weeks, making a littie patuse in the rush of life, and giving a little time to red adjust the view, bringing etornal things into the present, and doing a little to enable a man to rest himvelf. It ever a country needed the Sabbath day, it is Western Canada: if ever there was a time when our West needed the Sabbath it is now
I wish you every success in laying this matter aefore the Convertion. It we are able to save our Sabbath, we have saved so much else in addition, our morality, our business imtegrity, our homes, our faith : if we lose our Sabbath, we can keep nothing else long.

With very kind regards,
Yours very truly
Charles IV. Gordon.
LLord's Day Advocatc.

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## Health and Home Hints

## The Picnic Drawer.

She has a large family of young jicople, all fond of picinics. So, since picnic hampers must be provided frequently and liberally, she determined to make the task as easy as possible. She chose a big, deep roomy drawer in the pantry and named it the "picinic drawer."

Into it went a package of Japanese napkins, a bail of cord, several sheets of paraffin paper, a box of corks of various sizes, ditto bottles suited for mayonnaise, vinegar, milk, lemonade, olives, pickles, coffee, and a pile of good, smooth wrapping paper * and paper bags, a picnic salt and pepper shaker, a box of wooden toothpicks for skewering deviled eggs in shape, two or three jelly glasses with tight covers that screw on, a pile of paper or wooden plates of varying sizes, and picnic cups of light German ware.
One or two tin baking cans, with covers, are also to be found, and all the nice, clean, bonbon or shoe boxes that can be obtained. A couple of small table cloths, retired from active service, are on hand and come in handy, as well as an old crash towel for service when the picinic is to be an all-day affair. A half dozen steel knives and forks and as many plated spoons complete the outfit for this drawer.

Nearby, is what she calls her annex, where a few emergency rations that will not spoil are kept on hand-a tin box of biscuits, a jar or two of potted meats, one of anchovy, a can of sardines, a pot of cheese, a glass of jelly, a bottle of pickles, and one of olives. Here, too, are tablets of chocolate and a bottle of grape are lime juce.

As soon as any of these things are used, they are replaced. And when preparations for a pienic are under way, there is no hurrying and scurrying all over the house, tearing out of pantry shelves, and general disorganization of the household. All is neat, quick, orderly.

Picnics are a healthy outlet for young spirits in the summer time. But the work of getting ready is often the veto that prevents their taking place. This plan, however, materially lightens the task.-Evening Telegraph.

According to the "Daily Bulletin," Korea's only newspaper, the Emperor of Korea has determined to construct a new palace of some incombustible material. Papier mache has been suggested, and 1,000 Koreans will be employed to chew up the paper !
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## World of Missions.

## A Japanese Story.

"They tell a story in Japan, that the King's son on one occasion fell into a stream and was washed along down out of sight, and was given up for lost. Far down the river he had struggled up on a bank at the entrance to a little cavern ; but $4^{\prime} \cdot$ 't was no $^{\prime}$ means of escape, and there stayed day after day, until finally rescued by some one who passed in a little boat. Far up that river, a native came day after day, and would cast small loaves of bread upon the water, which would pass along down stream. When asked why he did so, he said he did not know, but he had a feeling that some one in hunger would find the bread and live and be saved. When the king's son was rescued he was asked how he managed to live, when heareplied that when almost dead for want of food, he would see little white objects floating on the stream; they would drift near enough to be reached, and finding it was bread, he would eat, and thus life was sustained. The king sent out men and searched both sides of the river until he fuund the humble native who had cast his bread upon the waters. He gave him a home, rewaided him with treasures, and laid at his feet the very best he had. I think it will be this way when we shall appear before the great King, He will not have to search, for he knows now, who of us are casting our bread uf on the waters for those who are far away in the lands ef darkness, and he knows just how many are saved by the humble etforts we are putung forth. Our duty is simple; it is to do what lie tells us to do, and leave the rest to Him."-Shenandoah Valley.

## A Good Book.

The importance of cistributing the Bible in the language of the people in mission lands is well illustrated by an incident told by a Bible distributor working in Japan. He was told of a man who had purchased a Bible about fourteen years ago, but who had not read it until of late. Just recently his bealth became poor, so that he could not attend to his usual duties. One day as he was lounging around, a certain Christian friend happened to crop in. This friend said: "Nuw, as jou cancot do anything, you ought to have a good book to read and pass the time away wi.h; fur instance, the Bible." The man answered: "I wonder if I have not got that book somewhere," and so he made a search for it, and sure encu h there it was. He commenced to read at il read through i , and exclaimed: "Well, I declare, I did not know that this book was such a good book! Too bad that I have not read it before! Here I have had it about fourteen years without knowing what it contained. This man became an earnest inquirer from reading the Bible only - The Missionary.

## State of Malne Party for World's <br> Fair via Grand Trunk,

The first large party from the State of Maine for the Wotld's Fair having chosen their route via Grand Trunk Railway System, left Portland Me. in spectal sleeping cars on Monday evening, June 27th, spending Tuesday in Montreal and proceeding west on the evening of June 28 th. This party was compossed of about 100 school teach ers of the State of Maine who are attending the National Fducational Association Convention which is to be held in St. Louis next

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## Clissionary Work and Christian Life.

Missionary work is a necessity of Christian life ; you cannot escape from it. Andrew calleth Simon, Philip bringeth Bartholomer, the woman at the well says, "Come, see the man that told me all I ever did."

The first conscious thrlil of the divine life in the soul of a man is a missionary passion born from above. My life moves out toward some one clse. The life I live as a Christian man is God's life. God's life is a life of compassion ; it is in the nature of God that the atonement lives and was necessaty, and all new-born men and women want to help some one else. You say, "I cannot say that I do." Then you are not a Christian, and I make no apology for saying so. If you have no compassion for the lost, no care for the perishing, no tears for the weak and wounded and the weary upon the highway, canst thou call thyself Christian? "If any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of His." I repeat that Christian life necessita. tes missionary work. You cannot help loving, caring for, going to the lost, it there be within you the love of God. If you find you have no interest in missionary work, before you criticise it go to some quiet place of soul communion with God and let H im crit icise you, and you will discover that somehow or somewhere, even it that life was there, it has become ( x inguished. For your own soul's safety, test your relationship to God by your interest in this great work.

There is one topic peremptorily forbidden to all well-bred, to all rational mortals, namely , their distempers. If you have not slept, or if you have slept, or if you have a headache, or sciatica, or leprosy, or thunder-stroke, I beseech you, by all angles, to hold your peace, and not pollute the morning to which all the housemates bring serene and pleasant thoughts, by corruption and groans,-Em. erson.

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