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wagner, or sconey Creek, Oht. On Dec. 8, 1909, at the home of the bride, Mack street, Kingaton, Ont., by the Rev. N. H. Macgillivray, St. John's church, Cornwall, Duncan J. Robertson, of Martintown, Glengarry, to Ida J. Bur-net-Ness, daughter of the late Alex. Ness, Esq. Edinburgh, Scotland, form-e'ly manager of the Bank of Montreal, Cofnwall.

At Toronto, Dec. 8, 1996, by Rev. Dr. Gandier, Jean Elizabech Kedth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Ketth, Wilkie Sask, to James Herbert Drynah, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm, Drynan, Strathroy, Ont.

DEATHS.

At Toronto, on Dec. 6, 1909, George Har-vey Gunn, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Gunn, aged 23 years, On Dec. 4, at Toronto, Catherine M. (Katie), daughter of the late Hugh Mil-

In New York City, on Thursday, Dec. 9, 1909, John Gray Goodall Snetsinger, aged 76 years.

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At Cornwall, on Saturday, Dec. 4, 1999, Margaret Douglas, widow of Robert Craig, in her 86th year. At Cornwall, on Dec. 7, 1999, Anne Mc-Intyre, wife of Robert McGibbon, aged 77 years and 9 months.

At the residence of his son, 149 James street, Ottawa, Dec. 11, 1909, Daniel Mc-Farlane Najsmith, aged 85 years.

At her late residence, 35 Metcalfe Square, on Dec. 19, 1999, Marianne Stew-art, wildow of the late James MacCraken, In her S2nd year, At Chesterville, on Nov. 16 1999, Bilza-beth Agnes Rae, wildow of Wm. Rae, ared 24 verses.

beth Agnes H aged 74 years.

On Nov. 6, 1909, at St. Andrew's church, by the Rev. Dr. Ross, George M. Fraser to Annie Rennie, daughter of Mrs. A. H. Morrison, London.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

Joint committee appointed last July by British Parliament to inquire into censorship of the drama, reported at London in favor of continuing said censorship and extending authority of censors to music halls.

Dr. F. B. Meyer will return to his old pastorate, Regent's Parp Baptist church, London. "At skty-two," he says, "one rather shrinks from such great responsibility," but added that he felt as hopeful and vigorous as ever, There is great rejolcing among the Baptists of Great Brita'a over Dr. Meyer's return.

Pole dwellings 4,000 years old have been uncarthed in a swamp on the plateau cast of Lake Vetter, 120 miles onrthwest of Stockholm, Sweden. The excavations disclosed petrified applex, wheat kernels, nuts, pottery, flint and horn implements, amber ornaments and wild bear teeth, all in good state of preservation.

The twelfth International Congress on Alcoholism, held in London, declared alcohol and alcoholism two of the real and substantial enemies of moral, artistic and commercial progress of the human race, according to the report of the United States delegates to that convention recently made public by the State Department.

William K. Vanderblit is planning to sulid four model six-storey tenements for the accommodation of sufferers from tuberculosis at a cost of \$650,000, not including cost of sites. Roof gardens, open air balconies, and other features designed to fight the white plague will make the tenements distinctive. Moderate rentais will be charged.

The New York Christian Home for Intemperate Men at Mount Vernon has become the centre of aggressive evangeliatic work earried on for the specially needy class of unfortunate men coming for sheiter and spiritual help. The work of the farm is an aid in providing eggs and vegetables for the tables. Men representing every profession and trade are among the guests and a number of former members at the Home are now givingf their lives to Christian service.

By far the largest bequest ever made to the Presbyterian church is that provided for in the will of Mr. John Stewart Kennedy, who died in New York City on Sunday, Oct. 31. The entire amount of his benefactions to religious, charitable and educational causes is over \$25,0000, the largest single gift ever made in this country, and is distributed among sixty institutions in all. The amount left to the Presbyterian church exceeds \$9,-00,000, as follows:-To Foreign Missions, \$2,250,000; to Home Missions, \$2,250,000; to Home Missions, \$2,250,000; to Church extension (in Nw York City), \$2,250,000; Pressyterian Hospital, New York, \$2,250,000; Presbyterian church exceeds \$1,ocolleges, \$750,000. and the Board of cellef \$30,000. The American Bible Society receives \$15,000. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Public Jorary and Columbia University, all 't New York, receive each \$2,250,000 to \$100,000 to \$100,000 each. It is graticational institutions receive from \$50,000 to \$100,000 each. It is gratiping bankess man of New York had all these beneficent institutions in his mind when making his will. His gifts will bring rejokeng to a multitude of christian workers and the fruits thereof will continue for generations.

OTTAWA

The "First Church of Christ Scientist," New York Clty, has concluded the investigation of charges which had been preferred against Mrs. Augusta Stetaon, its leading practitioner, by the Christian Science authorities in Boston, and has decided in Mrs. St. son's favor. The investigation was protracted, and the verdied arrived at was adopted by but a small majority. There scenes to be-if the usual interpreation of such terms is allowable in this connection-a great deal of "mallcloue animal magnetism" in circulationamong the accused and the accusers. There has been originated a new vocabulary in defining the subtle and intangible forms of offending which is other communions might be described as talebearing, fealousy, unholy smbition and such like. The "first reader" of the New York church is still pursuing Mrs. Steison and apparently will be satisfied with nothing less than hor decapitation. Whether the feeding is so strong on both sides as to result in schism is not clear. In other connections it would seem qute probable.

This paragraph from the Lutheran 's suggestive: It used to be that only times are changing. Last week the Poshyterian Synd of Pennsylvania seriously considered the problem of saving its "rural churches in run down districts," These needs in some sections have become great and are growing greater. Rural churches in tou deter old worshippers die and their children emigrate to the city while a foreign element moves in to occups the land. In view of the wonderful possibilities of the farm and the great advances in methods of agriculture, transportation and communciation the farm is going to become at² tractive and with scientific farming men of brains and power are going to drift away from the factory to the field. Then what, if the country church is not saved? Not only for the sake of historic sentiment; but as a matter of church economy every rural church must be maintained. This is particularly true in our own church which has always had a large portion of her membership among the rural population. Preserve the country church. It is necessary if we would conserve the future.

The Department of Mines, under the direction of Dr. E. Haanel, has been for some time past engaged in a series of peat fuel tests, which seem to have been fairly successful. The department, for purpose of experiment, procured a peat bog of about 300 eares, near Alfred, on the C.P.R., east of Ottawa, where the peat is of good quality and eight or nine feet thick. Here the Government erected works and proceeded to manufacture fuel by the air-dried process. With this process there is a minimum of apparatus, and as the peat is used the plant follows it. So far, the experiments seem to have been a success, and it is hoped that by next year it will be possible to place the peat fuel so manufactured upon the market at about 32.25 per ton. It is claimed that one and one-eighth to coal for domestic use that the most satisfactory results are anticipated, but, as it is pointed out by Dr. Haanel, for gas-producer plants, placed at the country round about. This will be specnally valuable where no water power exists in the neighborhood, and ought to provide electric power at very much power rates than are available at present in such localities.

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What precisely is the origin of the expression "a windfall." which Mr. Asquith. Lord Avebury and others use, each with an application of his own, in speaking of burget matters? An old encyclopaedia explains that some families of the English nobility held their land on a tenure which forbade them to cut down trees, these being reserved as the property of the Royal Navy. But any tree which fell down without barran assistance they might keep, so that a hurricane causing a great "windfall" was heartily welcome. It seems probable, however, that the expression was simpler in orgin. Even an apple that fell to the ground without the trouble of picking it, and which à passerby might often a thief, would be a lucky "windfall." — London Chronicle.

The Irish Presbyterians have secured, after all, the services of the Rev, David Smith, D.D., as professor of theology for the Magee College, Belfast. Dr. Smith is a comparatively young man and is thoroughly furnished for the work to which he has been called. He was a brilliant student, both in the Glasgow University and the Theological College of the Free Church. For a time he was an assistant to Professor A. B. Bruce and was from the first marked out for a professor's chair. Like a sensible young minister he became the pastor of a small country church where, away from the madding crowd, he could pursue his great book, "In the Days of His Flesh," which, although sold for two dollars, has passed through ten editions. He will suit the Presbyterians of Ulster, for he is strongly evangelical, Calvinistic and enrest: and those who catch his applit will be ministers of Jesus Christ and pasderner whom the flock of the Redeemer will be well shepherded and fed. Dr. Smith, if spared, will yet do work for the Master which will arouse the church and bless the world.'

The summary of the World's Presbyterian churches recently published by the Presbyterian Alliance gives the numbers for 34 branches of Presbyterian and Reformed churches in all countries. The whole number of communicant members in all these bodies is 5,37,324. Other totals are 30,522 endgregations, 25,105 ministers, 142,522 elders, 3,317,709 Sabbath school scholars; whole amount of contributions, \$50,-508,440. The number, of communicants has increased 1,615,244, or nearly fity per cent. in twenty years. In heir foreign missions these churches return 1,361 ordained ministers, 280 medical and 2,550 other missionaries, 739 native ordained ministers, 3,905 licentiates or preachers, 6,375 other helpers and 379,-242 communicants. The Presbyterian bodies on the European continent return 219 Presbyterles with 6,333 miners; in Arrica, 10 organizations, of which the Reformed Church in Cape Colony and the Orange River State is the largest, 190 congregations and in all 267,068 members. The principal strength of the Presbyterian bodies is in America and Great Britain, preponderantly in North America, where there are 657 Presbyteries, 15,668 congregations, 5,664 ministers, 2,427,461 members and 2,029,252 publis th Sabbath schools. In Great Britain there are 251 Presbyteries, 5,698 congregations, 5,611 ministers and 1,40,662 puplis in Sabbath schools. The contributions aggregate \$12,633,955 in Great Britain and \$37,961,445 in North America.

SPECIAL ARTICLES

Our Contributors

THE BIBLE AND IMMORTALITY.

By Rev. R. G. MacBeth, M.A. Men have an intuitive and natural shrinking from the materialistic doc-trine which makes death end all. They prefer the thought which Longfellow has enshrined in the lines:

"There is no death! What seems so transition. 18

This life of mortal breath Is but a suburb of the life Elysian, Whose portal we call death."

This thought leads men in their best moments to cry out for an assurance of deathlessness. The Psalmist ut-tered not only a religious aspiration moments to ery out for an users of the dealinest of each test of each test of the said, "My heart and my flesh ery out for the living God." A dead god could not answer the needs of a living man. A throbbing heart will not pillow itself against a freezing stone. Be sides that, a dead god holds out no hope of endless life. Hence we refuse materialism with all the force of rebounding heartstrings. The God in whom we believe must be not the God, of the dead but of the living. Ho is God. But our fathers are not dead. They have only gone before. Even apart from the Bible men have

Even apart from the Bible men have declined to believe in a doctrine of annihilation. They saw in their own lives and in the very processes of nature, foretokens of immorality. One of the same the same termined to nature, foretokens of immoral Greek sages, like Socrates, climbed Greek sages, like Socrates, climbed to mountain summits of aspirings, thought and caught foregleams of the coming dawn. Indians on Western plaba confute the erudite foily of material-ists by cherishing the hope of an after life in the happy hunting grounds of the Great Spirit. Thus do men with-bellef in the power of an endless be-ing. ing.

ing. But this is only the starlight. In the Bible the sunlight bursts upon us. There are some who cannot find hopes of immortality in the Old Testament. These are the "people who read with the eyes of their understanding clos-ed. They apparently never found such passages as the triumphant expres-sion of Job, who knew his living Vin-dicator, or David's passionate dee-laration that he would follow his lost child. But it remained for Christ to bring life and immortality to the whitbring life and immortality to the whit-est light. It was He who for us shat-tered the iron gates of death, and beest ugnt. At was He who for us shal-tered the iron gates of death, and be-came the first-fruits of them that sleep. He was the Fore-runner of men, and went before us every step of the way. The resurrection of Christ is a fact in the light of such evidence as a court of law would admit. Bet-er still it is a fact in the domain of the soul's experience. It is this fact that redeems human life from insigni-ficance and makes it sublime. A man cannot die like a mere animal if he tried. The marvei is that he some-times tries to five like one and suc-ceeds in that if in nothing else. The flashight at the moment of death re-veals that man is a fool. Let us learn wisdom in time. Paris, Ont.

DISCUSSION FREE AND FULL ALWAYS.

Editor Dominion Presbyterian-I was pleased to note in your issue of Oc-tober 27th that your valuable raper has been and still is, open to afform full scope "for the disgustion of the Union question in its various associate" This is only fair to any subject that is worth discussing at all, and was eminently characteristic of the did "Canada Presbyterian"; and it stands out in favorable contrast with the paper that affects to be accepted as the 'unofficial organ of the Presby-

terian Church in Canada," that has its policy more than once declared be unpartizan, while, on the question at least, it has given us an outstand-ing illustration of the evil of a press" monopole. monopoly. Whenever correspondence began to pour into its columns showing up the fallacy of some of the Unionist up the fallacy of some of the Unionist arguments and giving potent argument on the other side, especially when a General Assembly was drawing near and a vote would be taken, then all discussion was choked off. It was said there had been enough debate, and everything said that could be said. But yet the deditorial columns could from time to time find something more to say in advocevy. more to say in advocacy.

In the issue of the 18th ult. it is announced that "Principal Mackay, f Westminster Hall, who is well In the issue of the lath uit, is announced that "Principal Macka of Westminster Hall, who is we known as one of those oppose to Church Union has been asked state the case in opposition. Later o opposed to the arguments in favor of union will be submitted, and our readers will be the better able to form a judgment on the merits of the question."

This is characteristic. Contrary This is characteristic. Contrary to all ordinary rules and practice in de-bate, the opposition is to be invited to open the discussion by proving the negative, if he can! In a former is-sue we were told that Principal Pat-tick would present the approximate in sue we were told that Principal Pat-rick would present the arguments in favor of Union. Why are these argu-ments not forthcoming first, and scon? Is this a tactical trick to give him the last word and declare the dis-cussion closed? Is there to be no op-portunity to sift his arguments, and put them to logical tests by those who may have the ability and desire to do so? It is a poor cause that needs to resort to such tactics. Personally, I have no complaint to make on my own account, for no com-muncation of mine has ever been re-

muncation of mine has ever been re-jected: but I like fair play. Andite alteram partem.

A. HENDERSON.

BORDERING ON THE PROFANE.

Editor Dominion Presbyterian:-This Dr. morning I took up for reading, Gordon's "Life of James Roberts Gordon's "Life of James Robertson." Perhaps I ought to have read it long since; but that has hitherto been to me only an anticipated pleasure. since; but that has hithere been to me only an anticipated pleasure. I had, however, but reached page 39 when I came upon an expression that pained me, and as I believe it is of those evits flowing from "want of thought," I am emboldened to make ouble my view. A fellow student at Toronto University is guoted thus: "For the ridicule of the boys, feemsie cared not a tinker's curse." First, I am surprised that a Canadian old enough to have been a fellow student of Robertson, does not know that a tinker's curse does not necessarily dif-fer from the imprecations of men of other callings. When tinkers travel-ed from house to house in the sparse-iy settled parts to vend tinware they were wont to use for a dam to retain the melted solder a piece of bread. One cannot imagine anything of less value or more contemptible than such a — _____fter it had been used. Hence

rs the expression meaningless. But there is another and higher rea-But there is another and higher rea-son for eschewing such expressions. The Lord hath said: "Let your speech be Yee, yea; Nay, nay; and whatso-ever is more than these is of the evil one." If the good man who was tell-ing of his friend at college had writ-ten. "For the ridleule of the boys, Jeemsle cared not," and stopped, don't you think every reader would have understood? III STEP DAT

BOOK

REVIEWS

CHURCH AND STATE AND THE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIANS.

To the Editor of the Dominion Presbyterian:

byteran: Sir,-I suppose I am safe in saying that the belief has been universal in the United States that there is no con-nection whatever between church and state in that nation. This belief has reelved a surprising shock by the judgment of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, by which anti-union min-orities of the Cumberland Presbyter-ians get the church property throughorities of the Cumberiana Pressyter-ians get the church property through-out the state and ten thousand who went with the union are left without church homes. The Presbyterian church, U.S.A., and the Cumberland Presbyterian church entered into union forming the American Presbyterian Pressystem church entered into unforming the American Presbyterian church, never dreaming that a tragedy such as that in which the "Wee Frees" figured victoriously in Scotland, was possible in the United States. The ground on which the judgment of the Supreme Court is based is that by the Add of newspatial scotlands are being the supreme Court is based is that by the Act of Incorporation each congregation was constituted a corporation capable of holding real estate for religious purposes, and that as a corporation it was created by civil statute. A church court of competent jurisdiction might extinguish a congregation for the purpose of uniting two congrega-tions into one; but the Supreme Court of Tennessee held at the same time that no decision of any church court whatever could extinguish a congrega-tion as a corporation. The members of the congregation are not the cor-poration any more than the citizens of a city are the city corpor-ation any more than the city council and other officials are the city cour-poration. The corporation act through all these in the one case and in the other, but they are not the corpor-ation any more than the city council and other officials are the city cour-poration. The corporation, thereby con-stituting each local church a kind of fictibous personality, is the only auth-ority that can extinguish the corpor-ate existence of a congregation. Hence the votes of majoritles for union in congregations, Presbyteries, and Gen-eral Assemblies, never touched the ex-istance of the corporations being created by the state. It thus comes about that instead of there being no church and state connection whatever in the United States there is a very close connection, and that every local church has a two-fold existence, viz. ecclesiatical and civil, even as every member of the church is alaso a citizen of the marvel is that it should sus a citizen no church court can take from him. Super courts of the property, such in brief outline is the judgment of the Supreme Court of Tennesse. And it has been an as-tounding suprise not only to the churches concerned, but to very many outside of these churches. When, how-ever, the whole judgment is calmly looked into, the marvel is that it should give any surprise whatever. The principles on which it is founded are fundamental principles of justice. "A free churche is church was to be known had not been sent down in terms of the Barrier Act, and in that omission the Cumberland church had failed to comply with her own constitution. But the main cause of disaster, both in Scotland and in the United States, was the supposi-tion that legislation might be dispensed with or was not necessary to carry the property into the union. W. T McMULLEN,

(By J. M. Harper, M.A., Ph. D.).

two fundamental warrants The which I referred to in my last article, and which place the question of church union on a basis assuring to the intel ligence of the three churches in Can ada proposing to be united organical basis assuring to the intelhas proposing to be united organizat-ly, have been, or once were, recognized as being substantial by the Rev. John Mackay, at least that gentleman tells us that nine years ago he "was an ar-dent supporter of the union mova-ment." The two warrants I have been emphasizing, were then as nahaable to ment." The two warrants I have been emphasizing, were then as palpable to him, no doubt, as they are to all of us now. But he claims that certain disappointments have led him to make disappointments have led him to make a closer study of the whole question, and to make up his present attitude on the proposed church union in Can-ada. That is, Dr. Mackay confesses to having forsaken the eternal or fixed sundry "bugaboos" he has succeeded in mustering; to divert public atten-tion, from the divinity in the evolution itself, to the mistakes which certain union advocates may possibly make while following in the trend of the evolution. When Dr. Mackay was a boy, it must have been somewhat un-biancing for other youngsters to be balancing for other youngsters to be with him on a dark night—if his pro-ficiency in calling up startling "shapes and facility" and fancies" was as fully developed then as it is now. An evolution is an evolution-no mishap but a verity-however men in their weakness may make mistakes in their endeavors to heip it out or to retard it. As I pointed out, there is a God's divinity as pointed out, there is a God's divinity as well as a human necessity in the main movement towards union; and, if Dr. Mackay was once an monest advocate of union, he is now only palavering with first principles, when he claims that he is not a unionist any longer. What he would have us, perhaps, un-derstand from his present attitude is that he has made up his mind to vote against union, as no doubt many others in al three churches have. That is his own burden to bear. But surely no Presbyterian College Principal-one is insown burden to bear. But surely no Presbyterian College Principal-one out of our six-is going to pose a la Mrs. Partington, as one who would turn an evolution out of its eternal course. If he be out on a canvass for votes, then I for one have no more to say about the word the more to the use of the second of a carrier of the second of the se meeting. Yet not to be discourteous, it may be worth our while to take note of some of the eccentricities of Dr. Mác-kav's polemic, which savours, I am atraid, more or less of the average politician looking for a triumph for his way of pleading. The Union Commit-tee, as I take it, who have just been telling us that there is no "Case against Church Union," have been la-boring for no triumph for union. Their task is done, and has been well done. An evolution that can boast of its war-ant as coming from God, at least as it An evolution that can boast of its war-rant as coming from God, at least as it is plainly laid down in the Word of God, and its other warrant as coming from our own necessities and commer-cial common-sense, needs no canvass-ing for votes, as in an ordinary strug-gie in behalf of some secondary impulse or silly conventionality. And, hence, in referring to Dr. Mackay's line of contention, there is little of a purpose to serve, save to take note, as from a sample, how his wayward logie runs.

runs. From his first article, as well as from his third. Dr. Mackay seems to stand in awe of any step that might be taken to be an imitation of the polity of the Roman Catholic church. Did he get this dread from his ances-try, or is he only anxious to arouse it in the breasts of those who are prone

to make more of their prejudices than of solid argument, while discussing with their neighbors any public ques-tion? In this dread, which he reveals in a rhetoric not devoid of something the between the life output he that looks just a little like cunning, he uses the Union Committee, in their isage to the people, of advocating legislative head for the proposed accuses th message one united church—a legislative head which Dr. Mackay has no hesitation in pre-senting to his readers as a veritable testant Pope. As a matter of fact, Union Committee have advocated hing. They have merely told us Prote the nothing. nothing. They have mercy tota in that there is no insurmountable im-pedient to union on the part of the three churches in negotiation. Yet three churches in negotiation. Let Dr. Mackay undertakes to tell those who are going to vote for or against union, that it is easy for a single legislative centre to persuade itself that it is controlled by the Spirit of Christ, while it may be only following its own it is controlled by the Spirit of Christ, while it may be only following its own ambitions or corrupt tendencies, and the deception. Having the dazzling prestige and-far-reaching power of such a position, a single man or group of men may enforce on the world "a mere human whim as the mind and will of Christ." In other words, with the decad of Roman policy upon him, or with the desire to inoculate others with such a dread, Dr. Mackay places himself in the embarrassing po-sition of saying that a divinely war-ranted evolution should be turned back, because there are always wicked men around to utilize it as a means of permoting their own personal aggrand-izement. Have the denominations, pro-posing to unite, been brought up in the fear of a pope or in the light of a dem-ocratic religious freedom and intelli-gence. gence?

And, as if that were not enough for him to allege, he further tells us that the Roman Catholic church is in no true sense a national church. as if the Union Committee had been holding be-fore their eyes the Roman Catholic system as a model all the time they were preparing their verdict as to whether there were impediments to union or not. there were impediments to union of not. And who will tell us what this means if it be not palpable nonsense? "No church controlled by ecclesiastics," says this anti-unionist, "can be a nasays this anti-unionist, "can be a na-tional church, and no church as hete-rogeneous, as the new union church would be, could be anything else but controlled by ecclesiastics in a very short time." All of which means, if it means anything, that since the new united church cannot be a national church or may become a national church through the wire-pulling of its ecclesiastics under whom there can be church through the wire-puiling of its ecclesiastics under winom there can be no national church, the idea of church union should not be entertained. In-deed, such pleading is so provocative to drollery that one had better drop ability of others looking for more of it, in some of the other paragraphs of Dr. Mackay's articles.

The question as to how the vote is going to go is troubling no one, as it seems to be troubling Principal Mackay. There is no canvass of any kind on foot in favour of union, as far as I have heard, among the churches. What troubles us more, than any final What trouges us hore, that any him Issue from the ruling of the Union Committee, is that one of our six Pres-byterian College principals should so far forget himself as to mystify the raison d'eire of the movement which is as surely of divine warrant as that the sun shines, if the members of the Union Committee core to be been of the Union Committee are to be looked upn as being sane. Quebec, Que.

Current Literature for December has Current Literature for December has a most varied as well as a most at-tractive table of contents. Among the leading articles are: "Is Mrs. Eddy"s Leadership in Danger?" Mark Twain's Idea of Heaven. "What Think Ye of Christ"? - some twentleth century views. Scientific Press on the Polar Expedition of Doctor Cook. In "Re-cent, Poetry" will be found verse of considerable merit. \$3.00 per year. Current Literature Publishing Co., 41-43 25th street, New York.

BRITISH MAGAZINES.

At this season of the year many of our subscribers will be selecting their periodical literature for the ensuing year, and we desire again to bring to their notice the sterling monthlies which come to us from Britain. They which come to us from Britain. They are: The Contemporary Review, The Nincteenth Century and After, The Fortnightly, and Biackwood's Edin-burgh Magazine. The first three are \$4.50 each, and Biackwood's \$300. They are all exact reprints of the o-iginal publications, and by addressing The Leonard Scott Publication Com-pary, 7 and 9 Warren Street, New York City, the clubbleng prices of two The Leonard Sect: Publication Com-pany, 7 and 9 Warren Street, New York City, the clubbing prices of two or more may be ascertained. The November copies of all the above have been on our table for several weeks, and are replete with best thoughts of the best writers in the mother land.

The November Studio contains much The November Studio contains much that will inferest all lovers of Art. All the illustrations are well executed, and there are several pages devoted to the reproduction of oil paintings, colored etchings, mezzolints, etc. The Art of Edward John Gregory, R.A., by A. Lys Baldry, is illustrated by "um-erous engravings; and in "Table Talk" correspondents in the leading cities of Europe in able letters give 'hoir um-Correspondents in the leading cities of Europe in able letters give their im-pressions of current Art in contiaental Art circles. As we have often said be-fore The Studio is, so far as we know, the best periodical of th's kind pub-bed curvebra. Address of the instrulished anywhere. Address -- 44 Leicerter Square, London, W.C.

A TRIP TO ALASKA

A trip to Alaska is one seldom undetaken by people in the British isles, and of the many bookings undertaken by the Grand Trunk Raliway officials in London, few tickets show the des-tination to be that part far north of Canada, where coal and gold, together Canada, where coal and gold, together with meteorological observations, are often supposed to be the chief reason for the existence of that land. That such a trip can be made with little out of the ordinary fatigue of travelling is well proved by a recent communica-tion sent to Mr. Fred C. Salter, Euro-pean Traffic Manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, from Mr. Bromley Challenor, F.R.G.S., who has just re-turned from the north-western limit of the North American Continent. The letter has an added interest by reason letter has an added interest by reason of the fact that on the day of the offic-ial opening of the Grand Trunk Raillal opening of the Grand Trians the way's new offices at 17-19 Cockspur street, S.W., Mr. Challenor was the first person to book a passage with the company for Canada. On Dominion company for Canada. On Dominion provision made for the journey, and, provision made for the juorney, and, provision made for the juorney, and, in the first week in October, back in England again, the well-known geog-rapher has been pleased to write to the Grand Trunk offices expressing his en-tire satisfaction with the easy way in which the journey was accomplished. After thanking the railway officials for making his means of transporta-tion pleasant and comfortable, he says: "I was very pleased, indeed, with both the road and rolling stock of both both the road and rolling stock or your company, and in my opinion it is second to none on the Continent of America. The arrangements you made for me very much added to my comfort and enabled me to reach my destina-tion in the subject measured time, and the road and rolling stock and enabled me to reach my destina-tion in the quickest possible time, and I must say I experienced the greatest civility from the company's staff dur-ing my passage on your road. The route you worked out for me was n most interesting one, and coming back as I did, over the Rockies and the Great Lakes, I did not travel over a single mile a second time except the short run between Sarnia and Toronto. Support and the except the except the short run between Sarnia and Toronto. Will you be good enough to send me particulars of your 'Round the World Tours.' I am thinking that next Spring I may have another run out to the west, and if I do, I should like to return home via the east." Thus the whole of Great Britain is quickly put In touch by this great railway system, with what frequently is said to be the uttermost parts of the earth.—Dublin (Ireland) Daily Express, Oct. 19, 1909.



The Quiet Hour

THE EPITAPH OF PAUL.*

By Sir William M. Ramsay, D.C.L., LL.D., Litt.D.

The words of the "Golden Text" for this works of the Gonden Text' for this week's study are the brief review which Faul, in the auti-spation of threatening death, makes of his life and his work. They sum up his whole obsciences character.

As was stated last week, they refer, As was stated last week, they refer, pot to warfare, but to competition in athletic spirts. The Hellenic peoples, among whom his Gentile churches www founded, were very fond of such sports, which formed a recognized part of the education of every boy, and were carefully regulated under train-ed medical guidance. Victory in the great international competitions was recarded as the highest of distinctions. eu meurcal guidance. victory in the great international competitions was regarded as the highest of distinctions, not merely for the successful athlete, but for the city to which he belonged; and, in that kee.ly contested arena, victory could be gained only by the most intense and concentrated effort following on a long preliminary period of training according to very severe rules. The rules of the course and of the preparation for it were rigidly en-forced by the judges who regulated the competition and decided the prize. Competitors who had not strictly com-piled with all the rules were disquail-fied remorselessly. To win the prize, not merely must one be first; one must attain that position in accordance attain that position in accor with stern laws and regulations.

In a series of metaphors drawn from this side of Hellenic life, Paul finds the description which will best explain to his readers (not merely Timothy, but all the Ephesian church) the in-tensity and the long course of con-centrated anniferation which charactercentrated application which character-ized his life and the life of every Christian. "I have competed in the honorable contest: I have run the race to the mining work. I have discussed Controllation of the rate of the rate of the winning post: I have observed the rules which regulate the race-course of Faith." Paul was the typical man, the typical human Christian. Our life, just like his, must be one long struggle onward toward a goal. We can maintain the struggle only by strict discipline, and the observing of all the rules, as he did. We reach the goal and wia the prize only in the hour of death, as he reached it. The strug-gle ends only with our life; it must be maintained to the end. The prize is not in this life or of this life; but it can be won by all who persevere to the end. end.

an be won by all who persevere to the end. Such is the whole life of Paul. He yas an eager competitor from the be-ginning to the end. Before he learned what Christ was, when he hated him and persecuted all his followers, he yorance and blindness toward the howse seven then a leader of men, a persecuted all his followers, he you have been been been been been been even then a leader of men, a prencher, a missionary eagerly bent on bleved it. On the road to Damascus, even then a leader of men, a persection of his efforts was chang-ed from that time onward. He knew that believed to be a lead inpositor. The direction of his efforts was chang-ed from that time onward he knew for eignorantly applied in a misdirect-ed course, he n.w. appliad to the spreading of nis better knowledge. He had to face a constant succession of difficulties, as we must in our life. He was always misunderstood and suc-former will always be. But he always the true and honest seeker after know

*S.S. Lesson, December 19. Fourth Quarterly Review. — Golden Text: I have fought the good fight, I have fin-ished the course, I have kept the faith.-2 Fim. 4:7.

ledge always finds them, friend. ready to guarantse his honesty with their credit and their life, ready to believe in him even where appearances were sgainst him, and to help him in all his difficulties. All men who work unseltably for the good of the world, all who try to achieve something nobie and generous in their life, all who live for a high ideal, will turn with grow-ing interest and admiration to the career of Paul: and will find mirrored in ti the bist side of their own nature. When he first came to Jerusalem, af-ter his conversion, the disciples were afraid of him, for they could not be-lieve in his truth. Earnabas helped intered his good faith. Then he dis-puted against the Hellenist' Jew, his own former friends (since he too was a Hellenist Jew); but they went about to slay him. He had to flee from Jer-usalem. He lived many years a life ba was undistinguished, while he was life by living it, the - aly way in which

that was undistinguished, while he was learning the Christ an missionary's life by living it, the only way in which it can be learned. This was his ap-prenticeship, in witch there seems to have been little success, for Luke re-cords nothing. At last Barnabas brought him to Antoch; and there he found friends and associates, but still he ranked last among the leaders. He was then sent forth by the Spirit along with Barcabas to a new work in the was then sent form by the spirit along with Baraabas to a new work in the West; and in the prosecution of his work he had to part from that dear and tried friend, who was not prepared to do all that Paul believed necessary for success in their joint career. He had to choose between his work and her and the bala work in the second companionship with his best friend. He chose his work; but the cost was He

great. This is the sprest trial of human life. It is not only our unsympathetic opponents who misunderstand us. Sometimes even our friends differ from Sometimes even our friefds differ from us, disagree with our vlews, suspect and disapprove of our alms and course of life, and part from us. We have to choose between friendship and truth; the hardest chole in life. Are we quite sure that we are right in our view? May ve not have mistaken our course? Shall we be justified in breaking the bond of true companion-ship? With that question comes doub we any view pernjekty and almost deand anxiety, perplexity and almost de-

and anxiety, perplexity and almost de-spair. As we see that Pful's life nitrors our trials and struggles, so also we may hope to gain some of his conso-lations and rewards. He attained to many revolutions the attained to many revolutions of the nature and will of God. In those revolations he found the highest glory of his earthly life. They wave a sacred possession, of which he could not speak much, but which he kept deep hidden in his heart. We are not denied such reve-lations. We too may have moments of insight and inspiration, in which we attain to diract communion with the plyian Nature and to sympathy with the purpose and will of God, — mo-ments in which the Truth seems to unveil itself to our gaze. Those mo-ments are brief and interrupted. We cannot remain long on that high level; but we see they the pul abse those mo-

unveil itself to our gaze. Those mo-ments are brief and interrupted. We cannot remain long on that high level; but we see that to Paul also those mo-vents of inspiration were discontinu-to. Him only with death. While we see in Paul the man who struggled through error toward truth, type of man. We never understand duct on the highest plane of human action. If we look on him from this point of view, thay the longer we study him the better we appreciate the lofti-ness of his motives, his unselfahness, his noble and generous spirit in judg-ing the world, his frankness in con-thinking, his courtsy and delicate consideration for the feelings of others, his patience in pleading with them. AberGeen University, Scotland.

WHOSE HOUSE?

YOUNG

PEOPLE

WHOSE HOUSE? G. Campbell Morgan says: "My father came into my house soon af-ter I was married, and looked around. We showed him into every room, and then in his rough way he said to me: 'Yes, it is very nice; but nobody will know, walking through here, whether you belong to God or to the devil.' I went through and looked at the rooms again, and I thought: 'He is quite right.' So we made up our minds atraightway that there should be no room in our house, henceforth, that had not some message, by picture or wall text, for every corner which should tell that we at any rate serve the King.'' the King.

THE SOURCE OF MISSIONARY ZEAL.

In vain do we seek to awaken in our churches zeal for missions as a separate thing. To be greuine, it must flow from love to Christ. It is when a sense of personal communion with the Son of God is highest, that we shall be most fit for missionary work; either to go ourselves, or to stir up others. It we allow it to be-come a business of dollars and cents, we shall see no results. "Find preachcome a business of Johnry and Cents, we shall see no results. "Find preach-ers of David Brainerd's spirit," said John Wesley, "and nothing can stand before them; but without this, what can gold or silver do?" Let gushing effective the Lead Cents Chilit he. can gold or silver do?" Let gushing affection to the Lord Jesus Christ be-come the ruling passion, and it com-raunicates the thrill of evangelical zeal to every member of the electric chain. -Dr. Alexander.

LOVE.

LOVE. What is love? It is absolutely in-definable. Take down the dictionary: that does not go beneath the skin. If you put your analytical finger on love, where would you begin? Young peo-ple in love, where would you begin? The biggest thing in love, I tell you, is purity. There can be no love with-out it. Love at the heart of God is norruptible holiness. Here is the difference between senti-ment and sentimentalism. Sentimen-talism dats with love that has no holiness in it. Sentiment is pure. Sentiment goes above the snow line. Sentiment alor show the base. The fear of the Lord is clean." Sen-timent is not afraid of God. Love is holiness on the march to the unholy to make it pure.

nonness on the march to the unholy to make it pure. Because love is holy, love is sensi-tive. Only the pure are sensitive. Ex-cry step into impurity is a step into insensitiveness. "The wages of sin" is benumbment. It is the clean that is guick, the impure obtuse. Were I superlatively holy, I should feel every-thing. "See if there be any sorrow like my sorrow." 'I have trodden the winepress alons." Because love is holy, love is sensitive, and because love is sensitive, love is also redemp-tive. You can never measure your heliness by your recoil from sin. Holiness is aggressive. It operates upon the sin which it stands aside from it reats upon it in order to make it pure.

from it reals appant in order to make it pure. Because love is holy, sensitive, re-demptive, it is also sacrificial. "He loved me and gave himself for me." He came to my house of bondage to set the bondsman free.—Jowett.

Look round the habitable world, how few Know their own good, or, knowing it,

pursue. -Dryden.

Fidelty is the sister of justice .-Horace

Mercy turns her back to the unmer-

THE DEITY OF OUR LORD. By Rev. S. E. Wishard, D.D.

There is doubt in the world on the vital questions concerning God man. The person and character and man. The person and character of Christ have always been questioned, not because there was any ground for doubt, but because the obdurate will of this old nature of ours is in a state of hostility to God's will, way and word. The "New Thought" people consent that our Savior was a remarkable man and teacher, who would pro-bably change some of his opinions if he were now living. The theosophist defines him as "one aspect of God."

We have, howes the mind of God n all the great questions that con-ern us. Hence we turn to him on the on cern us. cern us. Hence we turn to him on the ever-recurring question of the person and character of Jesus Christ. Just a few things should be known. The known. old prophecy concerning him in Isaiah 9: 6 is very specific. Predicting his coming the prophet said: "His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Michael Charles and the same shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everiasting Father, The Prince of Peace." In har-mony with this prophecy our Savior affirms his own delty. He said to the Jews who refused to receive him: "I am not of this world. If ye believe not that I am (he), ye shall die in your sins" (John 8: 23, 24). The reader will notice that the pronoun "he" was put in by the translators; it is not in the original. Christ here gives himself the original. Christ here gives himself the name "I AM," the same name that God gave himself when he sent Moses

God gave himself when he sent Moses to Pharaoh (Ex. 3: 14). Again, he said to them: "Before Ab-raham was, I AM," giving himself the name of delty and affirming his pre-existence. In his prayer, also, before he went out to Gethsemane, he said to the Father: "Now O Father, glorify me with thine own self, with the glory which I ha4 with thee before the world was." He claims that he was with the Father in nast eternity. —"Before the

which I had with thee before the world was." He claims that he was with the Father in past eternity — "Before the world was" (John 17: 5). To Philip he said: "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." He had previously said in the presence of the Jews: "I and my Father are one," for which "they took up stones to stone him" (John 10:30). In John 5: Is it is stated that "the Jews sought to kill him, because he said also that God was his Father, making him-self equal with God." He did not deny their charge that he claimed to be equal with God. Hence his claim of equality, unity and eternity with God. was a distinct claim of deity. The inspired apostles certify that his claim was correct. The Apostle John says: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the

and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1: 1). The same apostle says again: "We are in hin and the Wordt was God' (John I: 1). The same apogule says again: "We are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eter-nal life" (I John 5: 20). After our Savior's resurrection, when he challenged Thomas' unbells con-cerning his personal identity, the envinced disciple exclaimed: "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28). Paul writes of the Jews: "Of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever"

(Rom. 9: 5). It is written in the epis-tie to the Hebrews 1:8: "Unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever."

Divine attributes, which belong only Do God, are ascribed to him. The Scriptures affirm his omniscience. When Scriptures affirm his omniscience. When Philip brought Nathaniei to him, he said: "Behoil an Israellie in whom is no guile." To the astonished Nathan-ael he said: "Before Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee' (John 1: 47, 48). "He need-ed not that any should testify of man, for he knew what was in man" (John 2: 25). While a long distance from Bethany he informed the disciples of the death of Lazarus, saying: "I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe," for he purposed to raise him from the dead (John 11: 41, 15, 43). He knew all dead (John 11: 14, 15, 43). He knew all about Judas' betrayal, Peter's denial and his crucifixion lorg tefore the events itook place. Being omniscent he frequently replied to the secret

thoughts of his enemies before they h'd expressed them. His omnipercence is practically af-firmed in his promises: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matt. 38: 20). With his commission to the church to preach the gospel to all na-tions, he promised: "Lo. I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world" (Matt. 28: 20). None but an omnipres-ent being could fulfill that promise. His comhipotence is positively assert-

His composite real positively assert ed by his beloved disciple John: "Al things were made by him, and withou "A11 without him was not anything made that was made" (John 1: 3) Omnipotence alone can create. "God . . . hath in these him him was an and the second seco who is "The Life" can give life to the dead. But the omnipotent Savior did that for Jairus' daughter (Matt. 9: 18). for the widow's son of Nain (Luke 7: 11), for Lazarus end the nobleman's

11), for Lazarus end the nobleman's son (John 4: 50). Our Lord was, and is, and is to be worshipped. In the epistet to the Heb-rews, 1: 6, the Father is represented as saying of the Son: "Let all the an-gent of the Son: "Let all the angle the source of the source of the son the theoretice." gets of God worship him." God only is the object of worship: therefore Christ is God. Stephen in the hour of death kneeled down and prayed: "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit" (Acts 7:59). The dying th' prayed, saying: "Lord remember me when thou comest into iny kingdom." The prayer was, an-swered by the suffering Savior: "To-day shalt thou be with me in para-dise" (Luke 7: 42, 43). Paul addressed his first letter to the Corinthians to "all that in every place that call upɔi the name of Jesus Christ our Lord" (I Cor. 1: 1. 2). This

Christ our Lord" (1 Cor. 1: 1, 2). This ame apostle besought the Lord thrice This same apostly besought the Lord thrice' concerning that thorn in the flesh. The Lord answered him: 'My grace is suffi lent for thee. . Most gladly, therefore, will I rather glory in mine infimities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me'' (II Cor. 12: 8, 9). He is to be adorned and worshipped by all the heavenly and redeemed hosts. John says, in the revelation which Christ gave him: 'The four and twen-ve adors relid down hefore him that sat

Christ gave him. The four and the sat ty elders fell down before him that sat on the throne, and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever. . . And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many where the two sets that the voice of many angels round about the throne and the living creatures and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands: saying with a loud voice. Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wis-dom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and biessing" (Rev. 4: 10 and 5: 11, 12). And this is the Lamb of Gad that taketh away the sin of the world, our Cavior and our God, "able to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him" (Heb 7: 25).

- I can not see, I can not understand, yet I trust and feel that Love But
- Has guided and is guiding me. His hand alone
- Will never needlessly afflict his own.
- So from this single thought I will not swerve
- That somehow, somewhere, an unlookedfor gain. Of life, of love, of joyous power to
 - serve. Is coming to me on the wings of
- pain. B. A. L. Gregor.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS.

Mon.-God's Gift to us (II. Cor. 9:15). Tues.-Christ's gift Himself (Eph. 5: 25-27).

Wed .- The heart to God (Prov. 23:

23-26). Thurs.—The life to service (Rom. 15: 1-5).

Fri.-Substance to the poor (I. John 3:17-19). Sat .- Ourselves to Christ (Matt. 4:18-22).

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

(By Robert E. Speer).

"As with gladness men of old As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold; As with joy they halled its light, Leading onward, beaming bright; So, most graclous God, may we Ever more be led to Thee.

s they offered gifts most rare As they intered gives most rate A that many rule and bare. So r_{ay} we with holy joy. Pure, and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring bring Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.

These should be our first gifts on Christmas Day. What we have we should bring to Christ. It may be that some of us have hearts which have never been given to Him.

The best gift that we could bring to the Saviour would be our full selves. Perhaps we have gifts which He gave us, gifts of voice or hand which He is waiting to have us bring back of our free will to Him for His use. Shall we withhold or give this Christmes time to Him who give hall? The best gift that we could bring to the Saviour would be our full selves.

The noble thing would be to do now what Chinese Gordon did, as is record-ed on the tablet in St. Paul's cathedral, London, "To the memory of Major-General Charles George Gordon who at all times and everywhere gave his strength to the weak, his substance to the poor, his sympathy to the suffer-ing, and his heart to God."

The tablet contains, too, something of the record of his wonderful life; but the secret of it all was that gift of all

poor and needy. Perhaps we think that we do not have a sthing that would be of value to Clost, but if the boy who had the and fishes had thought this at a mailed to bring his few possessions to the Saviour, the multitude might have gone anfed. Much of the best work in the world is done by people who have no wealth and no Social prominence, but who give honest hearts to God and loving service to their neighbors. That is the kind of material which Jesus can take and use in the richest way.

Giving presents to one another Giving presents to one another at Christmas time is a true Christian way of celebrating our Saviour's birbh. He loves to see His children loving and giad, and He would not think, we may be sure, of disapproving of their using His birthday as a time for giving good gifts. Any spirit of sel-fishness or barter is contrary to His spirit, but we do not need to spoil the day by wondering whether Jesus would spacetion our speedfing money on each sanction our spending money on each other for love's sake. Nothing could please Him more, except such giving as His own, of Himself and what He had to those in need.

But giving wisely in Christ's spirit is not the same thing as waste. We are not encouraged to buy extravagant and costly things, and often we do so expecting that other extravagant do so expecting that other extravagant and costly things will be boight for us. A great deal could be done for Christ and for Christ's if we would this Christmas time cut off all this excess of expenditure and give it to the great cause of missions. Way will we not do this? The money that will be wasted this Christmas would suffice to carry the gospel to millions of people in Asia, or to teach and train tens of thousands of those who are pouring into our own land from Europe and who are God's present to us, to be cared for as His own and accounted for to Hiff.

It is the true knight, and the "white

The strice true whigh, and the white soul" who does his duty lovingly and in all relations of life. What greater than to be right with God-and right with all men-and one's best and truest self. Duty covers all these

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We can suggest no better present for this holiday season than a year's subscription to the Dominion Presbyterian. It is offered for a trial trip at \$1.00 till 1st January, 1911. Subscribers in the United States and foreign countries outside the postal union, 50 cents extra.

Sir Andrew Fraser's article on "The Situation in India," which The Living Age for December 11 reprints from The Contemporary Review, throws a good deal of light upon conditions which can only be fully appreciated by those who, like the writer, have obtained their impression at first hand.

The Women's Auxiliary of the United States Rivers and Harbors' Congress is to try to make unsightly river and canal banks gardens of beauty. What can be done in that way has been demonstrated in Canada by the Ottawa Improvement Commission. But there is a large field open yet. Why should not the Women's Council take it up?

A son of the late Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, is likely to occupy an important post on the frontier of our new country. Rev. Logie Macdonnell, who was for a short time after completing his studies assistant to the present moderator of the General Assembly, Rev. Dr. Lyle, and since then settled in a charge in British Columbia, has been invited to Prince Rupert, the Pacific terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific, and one of the large cities of Canada in the not distant future. Mr. Macdonnell has many of his father's characteristics, and would be, in our opinion, the right man in the right place.

THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN

THE WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC.

The United States Congress met last week, and among the dist bills introduced was one for the regulation of the white slave trade. (If the title of the bill is correctly given in the despatches regulation should be changed to suppression. There should be no regulation of such a traffic short of absolute suppression.) The bill makes it a crime for any person to ald, entice or force any female to go from one state to another for immoral purposes, whether with or without her consent, with a penalty of five years' imprisonment, or a fine of \$5,000. If the girl is under the age of 18 the penalty is ten years' imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000.

The bill also provides for carrying out an arrangement with foreign nations, known as "the white slave traffic arrangement," under which keepers of immoral resorts are required to make complete reports to the Commissioner-General of Immigration.

We hope Congress will not daily with this matter, but will pass such effective legislation as to stamp out this blot on our civilization. "Perhaps, similar legislation is required nearer home.

The Jews of Toronto are somewhat perturbed over the coming municipal elections, as they will take place on Saturday, Jan. 1, which is the Jewish Sabbath. As, however, the Sabbath is over at sundown, which occurs early at this season, many of them may be able to get in their votes between that hour and the closing of the polls at 5 o'clock. We all remember how scrupulous the Jews were on a certain occasion when they took Christ and his disciples to task for plucking the ears of corn to satisfy their hunger on the Sabbath day. We fancy many of them would cast their scruples to the winds if it involved losing their votes in what promises to be a spirited mayoralty contest.

That a case involving the sale of a senaiorship in Canada should come before the courts is a scandal, for most people will believe that there was some foundation for the charge. A son of the late Senator Merner sued Senator Raiz for \$1,400, which he alleged the latter agreed to pay his father if he would resign his senatorship and the latter should be appointed. The case was to come up at the Berlin assizes last week, but it was settled out of court and withdrawn. Merner having admitted that he had not sufficient evidence to sustain his allegation. But it looks as if influences had been at work to prevent a trial which might have led to unpleasant exposures.

The Canadian Northern Railway is, it is stated, about to introduce a new system on its passenger trains, whereby there will be a ticket collector on each train, leaving the conductor free to attend to the running of the train and receiving orders. This is similar to the practice on steamers, where the captain does not collect the tickets, that duty falling to the purser. The system has been tried on some of the southern roads, and discarded in some the liability to accident. The railways have frequently had to place a third man-a "spotter"-on their trains, to watch the conductors. This will not now be necessary. Anything which will tend to preserve the safety of passengers should be adopted by all railways.

THE CAMPAIGN IN BRITAIN.

The Conservative party in Great Britain has indicated the lines on which the coming election is to be fought by them. They have adopted tariff reform as their platform, and will advocate the raising of rev 'ue by customs duties instead of the .nethods proposed in the budget bill of the Asquith Government. There are few disinterested onlookers who will believe that a return to the old corn laws and the imposing of a tax on the food of the people will be a popular move.

What is proposed is a general tariff, placing duties on practically everything that is not raw material. A few articles will be admitted free, partly manufactured goods will be taxed five per cent., articles nearly completed ten per cent., and completely manufactured goods fifteen per cent. There may be a slight preference to the colonies and a slight increase against countries which seek unduly to pen-Wheat will be alize British goods. subject to a duty of two shillings a quarter, with preference to the colonies, and flour will pay a still higher tax in proportion, to encourage home grinding. Bacon and corn will also pay duty.

These duties will be levied ostensibly to raise revenue, to assist the home producer against foreign competition, to give preference to the colonies, to secure better terms from other countries, and to miligatae the depression by encouraging home production.

It is estimated that such a tariff will produce a revenue of from f16, 600,000 to f20,000,000. But it means just what the tariff means in Canada—an increase in the cost of Hving. It is extremely unlikely that the great mass of the voters will support any such proposition. England has greatly prospered under free trade, and though there is depression at present the remedy will scarcely be found in taxing the necessaries of life. The much discussed budget will probably become law when parliament meets after the election, possibly in a somewhat modified form.

The Quebec bridge disaster is not forgotten, entailing as it did loss of life to so many workmen and loss of reputation to the engineers who planned it. Although it occurred several years ago, work has only just been commenced on clearing away the wreck, preparatory to re-building. Contracts have been let for the substructure, and the superstructure will follow on better considered plans, and with a better class of material. The main span will be shortened. It seems to us as if engineers have been overlooking the laws of nature in some of their undertakings, and in this case the biggest span in the world resulted in disaster. Too much care cannot be taken to guard against another collapse. Hurman life should not be urified with.

The Montreal Y.M.C.A. have made what appears to be a good deal. They have sold their central down town building to the Sun Life for \$250,090 and purchased an up town site for \$70,000. The difference will be sufficlent to provide a handsome building in a better location. This is more satisfactory than having to appeal to the public for a building as was done in Ottawa, although a successful appeal was recently made in Montreal for funds for Y.M.C.A. work.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN IN PETERBORO PRESBYTERY. Gratifying Results.

The convenor of the Committee on Everygelistic services has been asked to ive his impression of the meetings wheth have been indid in eleven con-ger cations throughout the Presbytery of Peterborough, and which have just closed. Reports from every congrega-tion have not yet reached the conven-or. Then of course it is a mere tru-results cannot aivays be tabulated. In-tresults cannot aivays be tabulated. In-deed, the Preslyterian Evangelistic Committee, discoarages the habit of counting heads at such meetings and efforts by the number who have sign-ed decision cards. The results of the meetings, eternity alone will reveal. The word revival can only be pro-The convenor of the Committee on

The word revival can only be pro-perly applied to those who are Christ-ians. A revival is the quickening of believers into newness of life. It is the famning into a flame of the flax which has been smoking only. The reports would all indicate that a gen-uine revival in this sense of the word has taken place. Christian people are is ing a new delight in the preach-ing of the Cross. They are finding a new joy in prayer. They are exper-iencing a new passion for souls. All this is sure to result in a continued ingathering of the lost during the weeks and months that are to come. There have been a great number of decisions for Christ on the part of the unsaved particularly in St. Paul's Peterborough. But we are sure the number will greatly increase during the coming weeks and months, as pastors begun. The word revival can only be probegun.

The meeetings in Springville The meeterings in springvice OF. Marsh, pastor), as conducted by Rev. Mr. Craig of Quebec, have resulted in great good. Some are taking an in-terest in church work who have not done so for years. The exact num-ber, who have expressed a desire to live for the higher things has not been excented, but there were many who live for the higher things has not been reported; but there were many who expressed such a desire. The work in this charge is in a flourishing condi-tion. The gifts for mission in many cases are five times what they form-erly were. "A religion that reaches the pocket is genuine."-Is an old say-ing, but it is a true one.

Rev. D. D. MacDonald is minister at Keene. He was assisted in this effort by Rev. H. J. Prichard, of Galt. This congregation is one of the most conservative in the Church and has this most has not been favorable in the past to such effort. Whatever prejudice has ex-isted against it has been completely Isted against it has been completely broken down, and there is nothing but praise for the meetings and the meth-ods employed. One old lady remarked that it was a pity the meetings could not go on all winter. The report of Thursday night says: "The meeting Thursday night was the most remained was in many ways the most remained able of the whole campaign. The con-gregation was moved in a most wor-derful way, many hard hearts were melted, wills were broken, and souls aulckened. There were several con-

The meetings in Campbellford, which commenced a week later than else-where are a united effort of the Preswhere are a united effort of the Pres-byterian and Methodist churches. The missioner is Rev. Alex. MacGillivray, of Toronto. Already a deep interest is being felt and the spirit of brotherly fellowship which has been brought about is a good thing not only for the churches, but for the community.

The special feature of the services In Omemee has been an earnest effort to reach the boys and girls with the message of the Gospel. Indeed in no to reach the boys and girls with the message of the Gospel. Indeed in no field has the work for the young bean neglected. Ministers and others are sufficiently well acquainted with the investigations of experts in the study of child life to know that if the life is not given a bent Godward in the tender years of youth, the chances that it will ever yield to good influences, grow less with the passing years.

Speaking of the work in Hastings, the pastor says: "The services have been a rich blessing to the entire com-munity. It now remains for pastor and Christian workers to follow up the adantages gained." The missioner ere was the Rev. A. W. Winchester of Toronto, and his preaching was ere of eloquent, heart searching and power-ful. The interest grew night by night until the meeting became the one topic of conversation in the homes, stores and other places of business. There have been many conversions here also.

Writing from Millbrook the partor states: "Never in the history of his pastorate of fifteen years has such in-tense interest been manifest in the message of the Gospel as has been ap-parent during the meetings. One hears parent during to meetings. One near everywhere expressions of appreciation of the missioner, Rev. J. A. Brown, of Fergus, and many a man and wo-man, boy and girl, will in days to come, look back upon this week as the beginning of better things for them. beginning of better things for them. and thank God that He put It into the hearts of the men of our Presbytery to plan and carry out this campaign."

The Rev. Mr. McIntosh, of Elora, has been in charge of the work at Lake-field. One evidence of the deep imneid. One evidence of the deep im-pression which the meetings are mak-ing upon the entire community, was seen in the action of a prominent busi-ness man who has not been able to at-tend the meetings often in sending a cheque to the pastor for thirty dollars, to be devoted to the work as an ex-pression of his belief in such effort and of his thankfulness to God for it.

Summing up the convener says: It is too soon to write the history of this movement, but in looking over the re-ports a few things may be noted: this

1. The simultaneous idea in evan-elism has been demonstrated to be 1. The simultaneous idea in evan-gelism has been demonstrated to be far superior to any other method. The fact that the evangelists are prominent ministers in the Presbylerian Church, and that this movement has on it the imprimature of the whole Church, at once disarms prejudice and leads con-rescutions to at once throw themselonce disarms prejudice and leads con-gregations to at once throw themsel-ves into the movement heart and soul, and not sit back in a critical spirit as is so often the case when the professional evangelist is the preacher.

These meetings have been a re-2. These meetings have been a re-buke to the materialistic tendencies of our age. The fact that large congre-gations have assembled in eleven dif-icrent centres of our Presbytery to worship God night after night for two works laving aside social engageweeks, laying aside social engagements, business engagements, and engage intrents, business engagements, and in-trents that are in themselves legiti-mate, is an eloquent testimony to the value that men set on the things of the Spirit and to the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to interest the individual.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GWA LIOR MISSION.

The meeting was a most enthusiastic one, all of the reports showing progress. Mr. J. K. Macdonald, president, was in the chair, and, after the opening exercises conducted by Rev. J. McP. Scott, and Rev. Mr. Graeb, and singing led by the Westminster Church Sabbath school orchestra, gave his annual address expressing thanksgiving to God for the wonderful success of the past year, when over four hundred were led to Jesus. All present felt how true it was that to God alone belonged all the glory, and how vain man's efforts must be without this blessing. Village after village, Mr. Macdonald said, has in a wonderful way been opened up until now there are about forty places in which the gospel is preached every Sabbath. He strongly approved of the Brotherhood, which has been such a bond of helpfulness and strength to the native Christians, and hoped the the native Christian villages would soon be an accomplished fact. The need of prayer at shome in sustaining our missionary was emphasized; and the Journal commended brinding, as it does, fresh and interesting news from the field.

The treasurer's report Fead by Mr Cuthbertson showed a substantial amount on hand after all expenses for year had been met.

amount on hand after all expenses for the year had been met. After Dr. Wilkle's report had been read by Dr. Stenhouse, Rev. Dr. Flet-cher, of Hamilton, spoke of having known Dr. Wilkle well from the time of his student days, and always, as an earnest, devoted man. He referred to the attitude of the Foreign Mission Committee in refusing to send Dr. Wilkle back to India to another field, than Indore, even though requested to do so, by the General Assembly; and again by the Commission ap-pointed by the Assembly, when DF. Fletcher and Dr. Lyle had urged that the should be retained, but without avail. The church, he said, must be a missionary church, if she would ad-vance. Christ must be about His Father's business, and gave His dis-ciples the command, "Preach the Gos-pel." They went out, and God weat with them. Truly marvelious was their success. Wijnin thirty years af-ter Christ's death all the known world had been touched. If the church is faithful God will bless her. Every soul saved should do what is possible to save others. Rev. Dr. Ross, of Port Dalhousie, spoke of the annual report from the

Rev. Dr. Ross, of Port Dalhousie, spoke of the annual report from the field having two prominent features it was full of information, and very in-spiring. He thought we might well it was full of information, and very in-spiring. He thought we might well thank God, and take courage, remem-bering that the progress mude is due to the spirit of God working in Jhansi, and power given in answer to prayer. He referred to an incident in Africx, when Sir Afred Saker saw the bed of He referred to an incident in Africa, when Sir Alfred Taker saw the bed of one of the tributaries of the Nile, dry at night, but through the night a sound like thunder was heard, and in the morning there was the wide, deep river, which had been fed from rain, that had fallen far away. So, he said, it is with the Gwalior Mission, fed by prayer here and blessed by God. The Master's call is world-wide. "Go ye into all the world." Christ was tempted by Satan to bow down to him, and receive the kingdom of this earth, but Christ showed to His disciples the better way, by which alone this world will be work, and concluded by saying he believed the mission had special the worker. Dr. Wilkie had been fer-mission fields, in his student days and is still. May God bless hira and every worker.

worker. While the collection was being tak-en up Miss Robertson (daughter of our great Home Missionary, Rev. Dr. Robertson.) sang very feelingly and sweetly "Just as I am," and Rev. Dr. Neil pronounced the benediction after the re-election of the officers, and the passing of the usual votes of thanks H M. W. H. M. W.

STORIES POETRY

The Inglenook

Then why didn't she give you anything

"There was nothing in the house. This information sounded absurd to rot. What would be the good of orders and pantries? If you opened Trot. larders and pantries? If you opened one in the hall or kitchen you could see any amount of nice things. So that could not be true. The little boy was telling stories. His mother had said there was nothing in order to punish him. Trot said in a very stern voice

"You must have been naughty. What

fid you do?" The little boy simply looked at him with dazed, round eyes. Trot grew im-

"Perhaps you were greedy, or rude, or made your governess angry, or did hot learn your lessons?" Nothing but a head-shake. "Were you disobedient?" The child's lips trembled. "I do what I like. No one tells me nothing." What and this mean? That has "Perhaps you were greedy, or rude,

Whatever did this mean? Trot be-

ean an to grow angry. "Well then, why did you get nothing

eat? Once more the child replied wearily:

Once more the child replied wearly? "There was nothing in the house." So it really was true. Trot was overcome with surprise. Was such a thing possible? Was it true that a mother could really have nothing to give her little son to eat?

"Then you are hungry?" There was no mistaking the answer

"If I had known that I would have given you my roll, because I really was not at all hungry. But I have beaten it all you see" it all, you see." The little boy nodded his head re-

The little boy nodden nis near re-signedly; he quite understood. Trot reflected a moment, then he asked a difficult question: "Why was there nothing in your

"Why was there nothing in your mother's pantry?" "We haven't a pantry." "But what about the larder?" "Father is out of work. Mother is III in bed with a little brother. So there ain't much to grow fat on." What a rude way to talk. Trot knew he ought not to listen to badly brought un children. He felt oulte sure he why desn't your father buy you something to early "

something to eat?" "He hasn't any money." Well, here at last was a good rea-son. And yet Therese often bought things without money; she told them to put them down to mummie's account.

"Tell them to put it down to the ount The child shook his head. He did

with the sand again. Trot felt dazed and almost frighten-He began playing

ed d. There were actually children who vere quite good, and yet their mothers were quite good, and yet them to eat. Whad nothing to give them to eat. What had nothing of? Was What ould God be thinking of? V eally possible? Trot began his if tions again.

tions again. "Does your father ask God each day to give him his daily bread?" Once more the little bay did not un-derstand. Trot repeated his question. "I don't think so." Trot sighed. So here at last was the explanation; and it was really very serious

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serious. "Do you mean to say your father does not say his prayers?" "I don't think so." "He never talks to God?" "I don't think so. At least only when

"I don't think so. At least only when he's angr." "What a funny time to pray. What does he say then?" "He says 'God Almighty,' and he makes a fearful row." Trot meditated. That could not be a good prayer. Mother had never taught him one like it. Perhaps it

s only for grown-up people. 'Well, how do you yourself pray?' was The little boy laughed slyly, but did

not reply. "Tell me how you pray."

The little boy went on chuckling. At last he jerked out: "It's all lies about God." Trot was overwhelmed, with horror. All lies about God! The good God

All lies about God! The good God to whom his little mother taught him to say his prayers every evening, who took care no harm came to da when he was on the sea, who g Trot his daily bread, and not c bread but cake and chocolate and gave

sorts of good things besides. Tro: went crimson in the face. Tro: "You are very wicked. And God is quife right not to give you anything to eat if that is the way you thank him?" Him

What is there to thank Him for?

"What is there to thank Him for?" asked the little boy. The question rather puzzled Trot. The question rather puzzled Trot. The little boy was right—If you are wike and very miserable you do not war? to pray to God. You feel angry with everybody. Trot had already rought for a moment, then came back. "Listen to me. If you do not pray.

"Listen to me. If you do not pray, then of course God cannot hear you. If you ask Him for something to eat, He will give it to you, but you must ask Him

The little boy looked doubtful. did not quite believe what Trot had told him. But, after all, it could not matter much asking. You never know matter much asking. You never know what may happen. Only the other day, when he had been begging, someone had given him a penny. "Where is God?"

It was not easy to answer this ques-on, and Trot's reply was a little contion, fused. God was everywhere, particul-arly in the churches. You could not see Him, but you had only to ask for

something to get it, Trot explained. "To-night before you go to bed pray God to send you a big roll of bread to-morrow, and you mill get it."

"Where shall I find it?" "Oh, on the table with your You won't have any cocoa? We on the matchices." Well, then

You won't have any cocoar' well, then on the mantelpice." "Then father would take it. I would rather God put it here in the hole near the cliff. I could come and find it." Nothing could be easier; it was not the usual thing for God to do, but He would not mind mether an exercision

of the little boy. He must only ex-plain it all to God and tell Him the

plain it all to God and tell Him the place-so everything was settled now. But the little boy still seemed doubt-ful. What was the matter? "I don't know how to say it to God. I don't know how to say it to God. I don't know Him." Trot sighed patiently. What a stup-id little boy he was. Never mind-now he had begun Trot would go through with it. He knelt dov/n. "Do as I do." The little boy tried to do the same. He tumbled on his nose. Trot grew angry. At least he got him properly hito place.

him properly into place. "Fold your hands."

After several unsuccessful attempts, the hands were folded. But how dirty they were' God would certainly not be very pleased with them. "Say after me: 'Dear God, I an very hungry.' Well, go on." The little boy made several little grunts; listening very carefully you could make out "God" and "hungry." and all the time he wirzled like an eel After several unsuccessful attempts.

grunts; listening very carefull Ritle could make out "God" and "hungry," and all the time be wiggled like an eel "Keep still, T am very hungry, Please put a big roll of bread for me to-morrow morning in the hole by the cliff, where Trot has left his spade. Amen."

Trot got up well content. That was The way to pray. He went off nod-ding patronizingly to his pupil. Trot was very thoughtful all the evening. How giad the little boy would be to-morrow. Trot had un-

LITTLE TROT.

By Andre Lichtenberger.

Trot was playing on the beach. Berrot was paying on the beach. Be-hind mummie's house there is such a pretty little beach, quite a tiny one. Trot is allowed to play there alone— only he must not go too near the sea. Besides, Jane stays in the garden and every now and then takes a peep at him. Trot had his spade with him. him. Trot had his spade with him. He had made an enormous hole and an enormous mountain, almost, but 'not quite, as high as those big rocks that lie all day as if asleep near the sea. "Come and have your lunch, Master Trot," and Trot got out of the hole to receive a roll of bread and a piece of chocelate from Jane.

chocolate from Jane. He went back to bis mountain. It is not very comfortable to eat stand-ing up. Better change the mountain into an armchair. Trot sat down again, his legs in the hole. He nibbled away at his chocolate with his sharp little teeth. You could make quite pretty designs on it with them. It really was rather amusing. Who was the? A shadow fall is

really was rather annesing. Who was that? A shadow fell in front of Trot. Trot looked up. It was a little boy! He was very dirty and dreadfully ragged. His face and hands were quite black. There were ugly little red spots under his nose. Trot raised his spade threateningly.

"Go away!" The

little boy rubbed his eyes with his elbow: he went a yard or his elbow: he went a yard or two away then sait down on the sand opposite Trot and stared at him. Trot went on munching and stared back. Here was someone Jane could

not wash from head to foot every day. What a lucky boy! And yet—after all, Trot was a little gentleman. Of course it is a bother to be washed, but one must be clean. How ugly this little was.

boy was. "You really are dirty, aren't you?" The little boy raised his eyes, then dropped them again and began gis-gling in a silly way without replying. He let the sand slide from one hand to the other. But this did not seem to amuse him much. He never once left off staring at Trot, who was just fin-ished his roll of bread. Trot looked at him attentively. He noticed that the boy's glance was fix-ed on the roll. "Rolls are very good, aren't they?"

"Rolls are very good, aren't they id Trot, as he crammed the last to his math. said into his me

The boy gave a sad little grunt.

"Have you had your lunch?" The little boy started at him with nazed eyes. Trot repeated his ques-The amazed eyes. tion

"Have you had your lunch?" The little boy shook his head. 'Well, I suppose you will have it

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n The little boy looked down. He fill-ed his hand with sand again and went on with his old occupation, once more shaking his head.

"I don't believe you are going to have any lunch." The little boy did not reply, but Trot truth knew

he had guessed the tru expect you were billous yeste day?

The little boy opened his eyes wide. The word "bilious" did not belong to his world. But he shook his head.

"Did you have a stomach-ache?" The head-shaking still continued "Or perhaps you were naughty?

Still silence

Well, why did you have nothing to eat?

ent?" The little boy scratched his head with one hand and rubbed his nose with the other. He then made a ser-ies of quite unirtelligible sounds. "Didn't they give you anything?" Once more he shook his head, "Why didn't you ask your mother for something?" "I did ask her."

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SKETCHES TRAVEL

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dimited faith; nevertheless a doubt arose in his mind. "Mummie, God always gives us what we ask for, doesn't He?" "Always, sonnie, if it is something reasonable and we really mean it."

reasonable and we really mean it." Trot was reasonable to ask for some break-fast, and as for really meaning it— well, Trot remembered with what hun-gry cycs the little boy had watched sureiv gry eyes him eat.

him eat. Trot slept soundly. He dreamt of great piles of rolfs, big as the horns of a cow or the tusks of an elephent, which God was heaping up before the poor little boy. He ate and ate un-til he could eat no longer. God al-ways brought him more. He laugh-ed and was happy. His checks grew red and fat. Trot was delighted and yery proud.

very proud. "Good-morning, Master Trot. I hope

"Good-morning, Master Trot. I hope you have slept well?" Jane washed and dressed Trot. Per-haps the little boy ought to ask God to wash him and give him some new clothes as well. All the time Trot was being dressed he could think of nothing else. He was longing to see the little boy's face when he found the roll. How warmly the sun shone. roll How warmly the sun shone That was so that the roll would not get wet.

Trot swallowed his cocoa in two seconds; he stuffed his roll into his pocket to save time. "May I go on to the shore for a

'May I go or tle, mummie?' little, m "What

little, mummle?" "What a hurry you are in today, dear. Well, it is really a lovely morn-ing, so run along. When your gover-nees comes we will call you." Trot rushed off. He ran straight to the elift. What would God's roll be like? It ought to be similer and much bigger than a baker's. Trot began to feel rather envious. He put his hand in the hole. He looked in. He grew pale with misgiving. There was noth-ing there.

pale with misgiving. There was noth-ing there. He looked again. Could it be true? Perhaps God had dropped it on one side. Trot looked all round. Nothing anywhere. He looked in all the other holes near the clift. Still nothing to be seen. What could it mean? In a minute or two the little boy would be there, and when he found nothing he would say again that it was all lies about God, he would think Trot had deceived him, and he would be so hungry. hungry.

hungry. Oh dear, oh dear, how dreadful it was! Of course God had been to D busy, or He had forgotten, or the rolls had been burnt-that had happened once at home. All the same a burnt roll would have been better than none at all. Whatever could he do?

all. Whatever could be do? Trot was distracted. His legs seen-ed to give way beneath him when he saw in the distance the little boy rac-ing towards the clift, his face lit up in joyful anticipation, his mouth posi-tively watering for the feast. Trot felt chilled to the bone. Somehow he we have the same set of the mehow he Mechanifelt chilled to the bone. Somehow he must save the situation. Mechani-cally he put his hand in his pocket. What luck! His breakfast roll still lay there untouched. He drew it out and quickly put it in the hole.

The little boy sat on the ground com-fortably munching. Trot stood up and looked thoughtfully at him. He reallooked thoughtfully at him. He real-ized all at once that he was very hun-gry himself. It seemed very hard to watch his breakfast disappear so quickly. But he could not help feel-ing glad when he thought how grateful God ought to be to him for repairing His oversight. The little boy swallowed the last

crumb.

"Was the roll very good?" "Rather.' But all the same God never seat it. I saw you put it in the hole." "This was indeed a blow. It was true, too. No use denying it. But suddenly Trot's face cleared, and he answered

"Yes, but you see it was God who told me to put it there."

And he ran off, hungry, but victor-

No man has done his duty till he has done his best.

HOW THE NORMANS DINED.

HOW THE NORMANS DINED. The Normans dined at § in the morning and supped at 5. The tables of the princes, prelates and great bar-ons were sumptuously furnished with every delicacy they could procure from foreign parts. The monks of Canter-bury had seventeen dishes every day, beside a dessert; and the monks of St. Swithin's, in Winchester, complained to Henry II. against their abbot for reaking away three dishes they had previously been allowed. Thomas a Becket gave 5 pounds (equivalent to 15 pounds of our money) for a dish of eels. When 'his provid prelate went on a journey he had in his train eight eels. When this proud prelate went on a journey he had in his train eight on a journey he had in his train eight wagons, each drawn by five of the strongest horses. Two of these wag-ons contains ale, one the furniture of his chapel, another the furniture of his kitchen; the others were filled with provisions, clothes and other neces-saries. He had, besides, twelve pack-horses carrying trunks containing his money, plat2, books, end the orna-ments of the altar. To each of the wagons was chained a fierce **mastif**, and on each of the packhorses an ape or a monkey.—Dundee Advertiser.

ROOM.

(By Mary A. Lathbury).

Children of yesterday, heirs of tomorrow.

Morrow, What, are you weaving? Labor and sorrow, Look at your loom again; faster and

faster he great shuttles prepared by the Fly th Master: There's life in the loom;

Room for it! Room!

Children of yesterday, heirs of to-morrow. Lighten your labor and sweeten your

sor Now while the shuttles fly faster and

faster Up and be at it, at work for the Master-

He stands at the loom; Room for 11im; Room!

Children of yesterday, heirs of to-morrow. Look at your fabrics of labor and sor-

row row, Seamy and dark with despair and dis-

aster; Turn it and lo! the design of the Master, The Lord's at the loom, Room for Him! Room!

-N. Y. Christian Intelligencer.

THE SOURCE OF STRENGTH.

If we would be strengthened we must believe God's Word and obey it. That precious Word tells us: "As thy days so shall thy strength be" (Duet. 33.25). "The joy of the Lord is your strength." (Neh. 8:10). "Seek the Lord and his strength." (Psa. 105:4). "The Lord is my_strength." (Hab. 8:19).

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3:19). "In quietness and confidence shall be your strength" (Isa. 20:15). "The Lord shall renew their strength." (Isa. 40:31). "I will go in the strength of the Lord God." (Psa. 71:6). "And he strengthened me." (Dan. 90:18).

10:18).

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"Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." (Eph. 6:10).
"The Lord stood with me, and strengthened me." (2 Tim. 4:17).
"Strengthened with might by His Spirit." (Boph. 3:19).
"Through faith, out of weakness were made strong.' (Heb. 11:34).
"My strength is made perfect in weakness." (2 Cor. 12:9).
"Their Redeemer is strong." (Jer. 50: 34).

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"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (Phil. 4:13). Sund y School Illustrator.

"HOW MUCH OWEST THOU?"

We heard a mar. once say: "I pay as I go, and so I owe no man anything." That man seemed to think because he had paid his tailer for the clothes he wore, and the grocer for the provis-ions he ate, and his help for the ser-vice rendered him, and discharged all obligations for cost of tools used in his business and trade, that he had fully discharged his obligations to everybusiness and trade, that he had fully discharged his obligations to every-body, and therefore he owed no one anything But when he had met these obligations in this way had the man really squared accounts with ob-ligation and discharged all debts against him recorded in the great Book 6 becomes load bob in this world Accounts kept both in this world of and in heaven?

Is there not another side to this question, another side to this give and take, this purchase and pay? That man who was so sure he owed no man anything because he paid at once for anything because he paid at once for what he bought was treated courteous-ly and kindly in all the business houses to which he went both to purchise or pay; he was treated courteously by those he passed on the streets when he went forth to do business in the place of trade, and in his own home he exacted of his household that they should treat him with that courtesy and difference which his position as of the household, as father and pro-vider, required. vider, required.

More than this, there were many on every hand who had labored in such a way as to help make his life pleasant and his property safe. There were the preacher who has stood for rightthe preacher who has stood for right-cousness, and the teacher for intell-gence, both of whom had contributed largely to make his life meaningful and of value, and yet he had in reality scarcely ever come into contact with them. And yet this man would disre-gard all these, he would go through the world with a frown on his face, having no pleasant word or cheerful smile for anyone, because he thinks he owes no

no pleasant word or cheerful smile for anyone, because he thinks he owes no oue anything "he has paid as he went." A large part of life is made up of things in which money has no part at all. We owe it to others to do as much for others in these things as they do for us. We should be kind and thoughtful and neighborly, doing as we expect to be done by. It may be possible to pay for the toll of the hands, and even in a sense to purchase the products of the mind; but who can expect to pay for that heart element which enters so deeply into human life --for the car of sympathy and the labor of love? of love?

of love? Yes, certainly, pay as you go, but expect to pay in kind-heart with heart, and not try to pay for pur-chase of heart with the coin of gold. Gold does not pay debts, neither is it always possible to pay all as we go. -Methodist Recorder.

CHRISTMAS CAKE.

Four cups butter, 4 cups brown sugar, 9 eggs, 4 cups chopped raisins, 4 cups currants, 1-4 lb. mixed peel, 1-2 teaspoonful cinnamon, 2 nutmegs teaspoonful cinnamon, 2 nutmegs grated, 3 cups flour, 3 teaspoonfuls baking powder, 1-2 lb. blanched al-monds. Bake four hours.

CHRISTMAS PUDDING.

CHRISTMAS PODDING. One ib. suet, 1 lb. currants, 1 lb. stoned raisins, 6 eggs, 1 grated nut-meg and other spices to taste, 2 ozs. sliced candied peel (mixed), 3-4 lbs. bread crumbs (state), 1-2 lb. flour, 1-2 qint milk, a few chopped alimonds, sugar to taste, 2 teaspoonfuls baking powder. Chop suet finely and mix the dry fngredients, then add well beaten eggs and milk. Bol six hours. In reheating, steam for three hours.

Honey .- Put one cupful of Lemon Honey.-Put one cupful of sugar and the juice and grated yellow rind of one large lemon in a saucepan, the yolks of three eggs and the while of one well-beaten, and three rounding tablespoonfuls of butter. When cook-ed smooth the honey is ready for use. It makes good filling for small tarts and for sweet sandwiches. Lemon

CHURCH WORK

Ministers and Churches

OTTAWA.

Rev. G. Cormack will be the preach-r in St. Paul's church next Sunday. er

At this season of the year the choice f suitable Christmas gifts becomes to -of suitable Christmas gitts becomes to many a very perplexing problem. We yenture to suggest a visit to the Stan-dard Drug Store. There you will find a choice variety of perfumes and toi-let articles from which a selection may readily be made. The Standard Drug Store stands for sterling quality and moderate nrices. moderate prices.

The many friends of Rev. Dr. Moore will be glad to know that he is mak-ing satisfactory recovery after a some-what critical operation. On the ad-vice of his medical adviser he went to the Protestant Hospital in October. the protestant Hospital in October, where the operation took place. Since then, and up till last week, he has been under the care of the hospital attendants, but is now at his own home convalescing in the most gratifying manner.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Without any previous announce-ment as to a collection, the congrega-tion of the Paris Presbyterian church, on the moring of the 12th inst., gave about \$200 on the spot to help on the movement for the suppression of the barroom. The Rev. R. M. Hamilton, of Toronto, gave an able address on the subject.

the subject. The pastoral charge of Sturgeon Falls and Cache Bay, in the Presby-tery of North Bay, is about to become vacant by the transference of Rev. C. R. Ashdown, B.A., Ph.D., who has accepted a very hearty and unanimous call to Byng Inlet. Ministers wishing to be heard with a view to a call will please write to Rev. R. Brydon, Pow-assan, interim moderator.

assan, interim moderator. The Presbytery of London will en-deavor to check the tendency to seek for young ministers. It will ask the General Assembly to eliminate the two columns in the Statistical report giv-ing date of ordination and of induc-tion into present charges. There is no pressing reason why these columns should be retained, but if a congrega-tion wants a young man it can easily ascertain his age and period of ser-vice from other sources. vice from other Fource

vice from other sources. Special services, conducted by Rev. J. R. Bell, Laurel, Ont., in Annan, Presbytery of Owen Sound, have just been concluded. Mr. Bell's presenta-tion of the gospel was very impressive, and the interest was sustained through two weeks and three days. The re-sults, as far as numbers can indicate them, were most gratifying. Sixty "decision cards" were signed, and last Sabbath fifty of the signers sat for bef first time at the Lord's table. No sensational methods were resorted to, and the praise service was led through-out by the congregational choir.

The congregation of Saltcoats in the Presi-ytery of Yorkton is vacant. Saltcoats is a thriving village on the C.P.I. with a go-d country behind it. Stipend, \$1,000 and a manse. Min-isters desiring a hearing with a view to a call may correspond with Rev. H. D. Leitch, Yorktoa, who is interim medicator moderator

"The Case of Francisco Ferrer," in "The Case of Francisco Ferrer," in The Living Age for December 4, de-rives a peculiar interest from the fact that it is written by a confidential friend, M. Alfred Naquet, and gives an intimate view of the personality and intentions of the Spanish educa-tor and theoretical anarchist, whose recent execution caused such a stir in Europe and was a means of over-throwing the Maura Cabinet.

EASTERN ONTARIO.

Mr. Wm. Rice has been called to the ongregation of Ashburn, Utica and Myrtle.

Rev. Robert Brydon, of Powasson conducted the communion service in Chalmers Church, Sundridge, on 21st ult

The Mission Board of St. Andrew's Church, Perth, held a profitable two evening's sale and tea on a recent date.

Rev. T. M. Wesley, of Sunderland, has been lecturing at Cannington on 'Mission Life in Japan." He was heard with interest and profit.

At the recent communion in Cooke's church, Kingston, there were 13 addi-tions to the membership, making a total of 44 during the year. The vari-ous organizations in the congregation are preparing for another year of ag-gressive Christian work.

At the annual thankoffering meeting of St. Andrew's W.F.M. Society, Car-leton Place, the address on the occa-sion was given by Rev. Dr. Harkness, of Cornwall, and the offering amounted to the handsome sum of \$328.00, the largest in the history of the society.

ed to the handsome sum of \$225.06, the largest in the history of the society. The moderator of Glengarry Presby-tery-Rev. N. H. McGillivray, of Cornwall, presided at the induction of Rev. S. D. McPhee, B.A., to the charge of the Avonmore congregation. Rev. H. S. Lee, of Apple Hill, address-ed the minister; Rev. W. D. Bell, Finch, the congregation, and Rev. R. W. Cliffe preached the induction ser-mon. In the evening a reception in honor of the new pastor was held. Rev. Mr. McGillivray presided, and a good entertainment was provided. Ad-dresses were given by Rev. W. D. Bell, Rev. L. Beaton and Rev. W. D. Bell, Rev. L. Beaton and Rev. W. D. Bell, Rev. L. Beaton and Rev. W. Mc Pree, Rev. Mr. Bell, who had charge of the congregation during the va-creek, who supported the cull to Rev. Mr. McPhee before the Prince Ed-ward Island Presbytery, were both presented with purses, accompanied by appreciative addresses from the con-gregation. The address to Mr. Bell was read by Mr. Wert, and that to Mr. Beaton by W. J. McCart, M.P.P. The call to Mr. McPhee was a very har-nonious one, and he enters upon his work at Avonmore with every promise of a faithul pastorate.

of a faithful pastorate. The Cobourg Presbyterians have just celebrated their seventy-fifth an-niversary. On Sunday, 5th Inst., large congregations assembled to hear Rev. R. E. Knowles, the noted author and orator, preach two very cloquest ser-mons. The congregation was asked as an expression of gratitude for the three-quarters of a century of ser-vice, to place upon the collection plate the sum of \$2,600. At the annual con-gregational supper held on Monday ev-ening the treasure announced that the sum of \$2,600. At the annual con-gregational suppor held on Monday ev-ening the trensurer announced that the sum of \$2,835 had been given. The wortgage of long standing was burn-ed by several of the oldest mem-bers, one of whom remembers well the tragic death of the first minister, Rev. M. Millar, who, in 1834, lost his life by drowning, in the Bay of Quinte, while on one of his missionary tours. The late Walter Riddell, father of Judge Riddell, in his history, records the fact that at the time the founda-tions of the old stone church, were being laid in Cobourg all the Presby-terians in the present city of Ham-ilton gathered around a table for social worship. There were only some fifty-two Presbyterian ministers in all Canada. The Rev. Wm. Beattle has been pastor in Cobourg for nearly ten years, having come to Cobourg directly after graduating from Knox College, and Toronto University; and under his print, and the pros-pering. pering.

HAMILTON.

NEWS

LETTERS

Rev. S. B. Russell, of Erskine Church is preaching a series of in-teresting sermons on "Charaoter." St. Andrew's Society murched in a body to St. John Church on Sunday last for special service. Rev. J. Young, the pastor, preached.

A presbyterian Ministerial Associa-tion is about to be organized. With thirteen ministers still in the active pastorate and several living retired in our city, there is material for strong organization.

organization. Rev. J. C. Robertson, General Sec-retary for Sabbath schools, and Rev. J. A. Slimmon, of Honan, China, took part ir special exercises on Sunday last, Tecomber 5th., in connection with the opening of St. Paul's new school-room. St. Paul's is now mod-ernly equipped, and good results are confidently looked for.

TORONTO.

College Street Church celebrated its College Street Church celebrated its Sich andversary by a church social, followed by a musical programme. The event of the evening was the presentation to the pastor, Rev. Dr. Gilray, of a handsome silk gown. The 72nd anniversary of Erskine Church was celebrated on the 21st Inst., and at both services there was a large attendance of present and for-mer members of the concretent on the

arge attendance of present and for-mer members of the congregation. In the morning Rev. Prof. R. Law, of Knox College, occupied the pulpit, and in the evening Rev. D. C. Hossack, L.L.B., former pastor of Deer Park Church preached.

The generous willing services of Rev. D. J. Craig, of Bristol, and Rev. P. F. Langlil, of Carp, in their week's evan-gelistic campaign at Calumet Island and Campbell's Bay respectively were very helpful and fraught with bless-ing. When people are brought under the power of the Gospel so faithfully delivered, night after night, even for a week, it tells in much spiritual quickening, especially in a field where there is a dearth of laborers along this line. line.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED.

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Son Book Company. Ottawa: Jas. Hope & Sons and James Oglivy. The Altar Stairs, by G. B. Lancas-ter. Toronto: The Musson Book Com-pony. Ottawa: James Oglivy.

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LONDON NOTES.

At the quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of London held on the 7th instant, arrangements were made for the induction of Rev. Isaac Hall Woods, of Tavistock, into Alma street church, St. Thomas, on the evening of the 23rd instant; the Moderator. Mr. S. D. Jamieson, to preside; Mr. Burnett to preach, Mr. Inkster to address the minister, and Mr. Atkinson the congregation. The resignation by Rev. J. C. McConachie of his pastoral charge of Knox Church, Aylmer, and Chalmers, Springfield, was tabled and accepted to take effect on January act, 1910. Rev. E. L. Pidgeon to serve as interim moderator during the va-cency. E. Rev. Geo. Gilmore, Fingal, was made convener of Presbytery's S. Schoal Committee. Reports on Church Life and Work and Moral and Social Reform were called for, but were not forthcoming on account of conveners not having received the As-sembly's questions or forms in time to obtain returns from sessions. Rev. Prof. Pidgeon addressed the Presby-tery on Moral and Social Reform work. Presbytery expressed its appreciation of his address, and of the work, its being in full sympathy with the bill now before Parliament to make pro-fessional gambling liegal, and pledged 3rd, 1910. Rev. E. L. Pidgeon to serve fessional gambling illegal, and pledged its moral support to the local option campaign now to be waged within the bounds of the Presbytery. The clark was instructed to write to Mayor bounds of the Presbytery. The clark was instructed to write to Mayor Beattle, M.P., calling attention to his statement appearing in Hansard, to wit, 'T have not received one petition from the city of London on this sub-ject,'' and to inform him that petitions largely signed in London and forward-ed to Dr. Shearer, Toronto, had been forwarded to him by Dr. Shearer.

Rev. Dr. E. D. McLaren and Dr. Grant addressed the Presbytery on Home Mission claims, and urged spec-ial contributions for the liquidation of the \$14,000 deficit of last year.

Presbytery approved the As embly remit on the appendix to Presbytery rolls, and also on the amalgamation of Ascambly rolls, and also on the amalgamation of Y.P.S. and S.S. committees. Approved also of the recommendation of the Committee on Statistical Forms, but mended that contributions for colleges be given in one column only, under that general heading, and thereby give space for reporting annually. Stipend from other sources, Total from all Or-ganizations, &c., Assembly, Synod and Presbytery Funds, and Other Mission-ary, Benevolent and Educational work thus giving Presbyteries a full view ary, Benevotent and Educational Work, thus giving Presbyteries a full view of the whole amount of liberality of cach congregation during each year. Presbytery, by a majority, also re-commended that Dutles of Ordination in Induction be cmitted 'rom the Duce Dook Blue Book.

On the Supply and Settlement of On the Supply and Settlement of Vacancies, Presbytery approved of names of all ministers without charge, licentiates, and settled ministers de-siring to preach in vacancies for call be sent with a list of all vacancies to the senior clerk of Assembly; but not names of settled ministers desiring a hearing in special vacancies selected by themselves. Approved of appoint-ment of a Presbyterial Committee on Supply of Vacancies, to co-operate with each congregation's committee to consist of elders, managers and such other communicants as the con-gregation may appoint. Presbytery disapproved of having any restriction such other communicants as the con-gregation may appoint. Presbytery disapproved of having any restriction placed upon them as to when they may deem it proper to dissolve a pastoral tie for resignation, translation or any other cause. Presbytery approves of the appointment of a minister to tem-provery charge of a meanour fitter sity the appointment of a minister to tem-porary charge of a vacancy after six months from date of declaration of the vacancy, but disapproves of requiring said temporary supply to be fixed for one year or longer, or depriving the congregation of the privilege of hear-ing and calling some other minister during this temporary incumbency, on

placing the name of the temporary supply on the Presbytery Roll. The Mission at Knollwood Park, London, was reported by Rev. T. H. Mitchell as in a prosperous state, and authority was given the session of New St. James to make up a commun-ion roll and organize a congregation of when they deem it opportune to do so. Next meeting of Presbytery to be held in Glencoe on Monday evening, Feb-ruary 28th, 1910.

A. HENDERSON

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Mrs. Eddy, founder of Christian Science, settled \$290,000 on her rela-tives in consideration of the relin-quishment of all claims on her estate.

Dr. Thomas Jonnesco, who claims to be the discovered of a new stovalne-strychnine anaesthetic, is in New York City, and will lecture on his dishe City. covery

Dr. William H. Leslie, a returned missionary, declared in New York that King Leopold was responsible for the Congo atrocities; that he used native and soldiers to punish natives that these soldiers ate their victims.

Whole of North Sea European coast line was swept by furious storm, many smaller vesels being destroyed, accom-panied by loss of life.

panied by loss of life. The trying climate of Formosa has again broken down the health of one of the young and promising mission-aries of the Presbyterian Church in England. Rev. A. E. Davies, B.A., who was ordained, after a brilliant career at Cambridge, to the foreign field in November, 1907, has had to resign, be-ing unable to stand the climate of the island. island

island. King Edward withholds his consent to the marriage of Princess Alexandra of the royal house to King Manuel of Portugal. The English people have never forgiven Princess Ena for giving up her Protestant faith in order to marry Alfonso, King of Spain, and it is thought there world be a really dangerous outcry if the same taing should occur acain. should occur again.

There were more than 50,000 Englishspeaking Jews at the close of the eighteenth century. There are ap-proximately 3,000,000 to-day, probably one-fourth of all the Jews in the world.

World. Lord Rosebery has presented his beautiful villa at Posilipo, near Naples, to the British Embassy at Rome as a summer residence. Lord Rosebery has been in the habit for many years of spending some time at this quiet re-treat beautiful to

Treat. At York recently the Archibshop of York, referring to the Bishops' privi-lege of slithing in the House of Lords, said they would welcome the sugges-tion that leading representatives of other religious boiles should also sit there.

At Teneriffe explosions Peak are occurring frequently, and enormous quantities of lava are pour-ing down from four craters. There has as yet been no loss of life.

Dr. J. H. Wells, a young medical man, has lost his life at St. Mary's Hospital, London, while investigating the treatment of glanders, His in-vestigations resulted in the saving of a life of a patient. The Italian Cabinet resigned after Charden of Domitics refuned to page

Chamber of Deputies refused to pass the government bill for fiscal reform, which would reduce indirect taxation of measuring

necessities. A judge in Sacramento, Cal., nced a reckless chauffeur of necessities. A judge in Sacramento, Cal., sen-tenced a reckless chauffeur to ten years in prison for running over and killing a man with a family, ordering at the same time that the commitment be withheld and the driver placed on probation and compelled to pay \$25 per month to the support of the fam-tion if he fails to live up to the terms of the grains to live up to the erms of the grains to live up to the because of the graat number of Jews who have entered the legal profession since 1905, ans further limited the per-centage of Jewish students who may be elig ble for admission to the baar Hereaf'er but 35 per cent, of thad-mitted, and 20 per cent, of thad-mitted, and 30, respectively, heretofore. A sen-

CHRISTIAN HEROISM.

By C. H. Wetherbe,

By C. H. Wetherbe. There are very many Christian heroes who are unknown to the people around them. Their heroic acts have no record in the newspapers. But very few of their intimate friends, know of the true heroism which se-cretly dominates their lives. It is, therefore, a mistake to suppose that heroism consists solely in outward manifestations. Many a Christian is pursuing a highly heroic course in the most quict and humble manner. He is standing bravely to his convictions of duty, under the stress of tempta-tion to do otherwise. He is holding fast to his faith in God when many others would abandon all faith in Hin over apposition in his own family does Even opposition in his own family does not cause him to relinquish his pur-pose to do just what he is convinced that God requires of him. That is true herolsm.

The celebrated Frederick W. Robof Engla on record: England, has left these record: "To stand with a ertson, words smile upon your face against a from which you cannot get a that, no doubt, is heroic. Bu stake away-But that, no doubt, is heroic. But true glory is not resignation to the inevit-uble. To stand unchained, with per-fect liberty to go away, held only by the higher claims of duty, and let the fire creep up to the heart—this is hero-ism." true

fire creep up to the near to see issue." I am acquainted with a Christian man who has been living in a certain place quite a good many years, and who, long ago, wanted to go from there. He had expected to leave the place a long time ago, for he did not wish to remain. His children urged him to move away. His wife wanted to leave. But he had committed the whole question to God, seeking earn-estly to do His will; and that will, as the man believed, and still believes, was that he should continue to remain in the place until God should direct him to go elsewhere. This man says that it has required a great deal of courage and firmness to abide by his convictions of duty. He could have convictions of duty. He could have moved away a long time ago, had he determined to indulge in his own will; but that would not have been herole.

"PLEASE STOP MY "--- WHAT!

It frequently happens that the church treasurer receives a note from a church member saying: "Please stop my"-what!

That man is known as a hard smok-er, spending from 50 to 75 cents per day on cigars. But he writes: "Please stop my"-whai!

That man has been known to spend \$25 a veek for seats at the opera and ral times this amount. But he writes. 'Please stop mv''-what! occasionally

That man pays \$2,000 a year for car-That man peys \$2,000 a year for ear-riages, horses and coachmen. Does he ask that his eigars shall be stopped? No. Does he ask that theatre par-ties be stopped? No. He asks that his subscription to the church be stop-ped because of shortage m his finan-

The church is the first to suffer. He cuts his church subscription before he cuts other things. He does not feel the moral obligation resting upon him to pay to the Lord what rightly is His. When a man once realizes that he is a steward, and that what is his is only Steward, and that what is his is only loaned to him for a few years, then he will give cheerfully to the work of the church and as God has prospered him. "There is no benefit," says Ser-eca. "In a benefit that sticks to the finger. It so often happens that mea eca, 'In a scotten happens that me-finger. It so often happens that money who have money possess every other gift than the gift to use that money to the best purposes. The manner of the string and the cause which is to the best purposes. The manner of the giving and the cause which is helped shows the character of the giver more than the gift isgelf. The esteem in which a num holds his church is seen in the liberality he shows to-ward it."

"Defer not till to-morrow to be wise; to-morrow's sun to thee may never rise."

THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN SPARKLES.

HEALTH AND HOME HINTS.

Improvise the upper grate of the oven for a toast rack, by placing it on the top of the stove.

To prevent a loaf of corn bread from becoming heavy when cut, always use the knife perpendicularly.

Steeped "sumac bobs" are an excellent remedy for obstinate sore throat. Make a strong solution, and gargle the throat often.

If colored stockings are washed be-bre wearing, they will not so soon wearing, they will not so soon to mending. Wash in soapy wacome ter and rinse.

Nut Sandwiches .- Chop fine English walnuts, add enough mayonnaise dressing to make a paste and spread between thin slices of wheat bread.

Ginger and Nut Sandwiches-Cut up Ginger and Nut Sandwiches-Cut up very fine one part of preserved ginger to two parts of nuts, moisten with syrup of the ginger or with thick cream and spread between slices of white bread.

Soak brooms that are worn side-wise in hot soap suds a short time. Straighten the splints and dry on a flat surface, then trim evenly. Always suspend a broom.

To tint the plain edges of books, use a rather strong aniline dye. Hold the book firmly closed and apply carefully but throughly. When quite dry, rub gently with a soft cloth.

Molasses Pudding.—One pound of flour, six ounces of chopped suet, half -a pound of molasses, half a pint of milk, half an ounce of ginger, half a teaspoonful of carbonate of soda. Warm the treacle, dissolve the soda in the milk and add it. Mix all to-gether and boil for three hours.

Savory Breast of Mutton.—Boil three large onlons and chop finely, then add two teacupfuls of bread crumbs (or stale bread soaked and squeezed dry), a large teaspoonful of chopped herbs, a good seasoning of pepper and salt, and moisten with a little milk. Lay a breast of mutton skin downwards on a board, take out the bones, spread with the stuffing, roll up, and sew the flap.' Bind round with broad tape and roast. Serve with gravy round, and some nice vegetables. Savory Breast of Mutton .- Boil three roast. Serve with g some nice vegetables.

Skeptic-How is Peary going to prove that he "nailed the flag to the pole" any easier than Cook? Doubter-Why, Peary brought his hammer home with him.

Stubb-Why in the world is Cranker

Stubb--Why in the world is Cranker devoting so much time to flying those model airships? Does he expect to equal the Wrights? Penn--No, it's a pet scheme of his. To-day he sent up his wife's dog and it never returned, and to-morrow he's going to send up his wife's parrot if a: strong wind is blowing.

Miserly-So that woman doctor charged you \$2 a visit. did she say? Well, what

did she say? His Wife-Said I stayed indoors too much. Here's her prescription. Miserly (reading it)-For external use only. One nice walking dress. One new hat. One pair gloves to match. Apply every afternoon between three and five.

"Did you ever have appendicitis?" said the insurance man. "Well," an-swered the skeptic, "I was operated on. But I never felt sure whether it was a case of appendicitis or a case of professional curiosity."

Liquor and Tobacco Habits

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"Some of the flat-cars and the freight-cars come from Belgium, while the passenger-cars are from Germany. The first-class cars are of the com-comportment style, corridor running clear through on one side of the car into which open the small compart-ments which accommodate eight per-sens each. They are finely upholster-ed, and cost 23,000 francs (34,600) each. Utill now there have been no second. ed, and cost 23,000 francs (\$4,600) each. Until now there have been no second-class cars. The third-class cars are fitted up with staut wooden benches in rows, with an alse runing through the centre. They are not upholstered and have no curtains, but have glass windows and shutters. They cost 19,-000 francs (\$3,800) each. "This road has been built by the Turkish government, assisted to a small extent by the contributions of devoted Mohammedans. Melsner Pa-ha, a German, has control of the con-

devoted Monammedans. Melsner Pa-sha, a German, has control of the con-struction of the road, and is assisted by other European engineers. The greater part of the mfnual labor has been done by the regular Turkish sol-diers without extra pay.

diers without extra pay. "The Damascus station of the rail-way is situated at the extreme south-ern end of that part of the city called the Maid⇒n. In viewing Damascus from the heights to the northwest the city resembles a saucepan or a spoon with a round bowl, the main part being round, and the quarter called the Maidan corresponding to the handle. The latter is pr-cicleally a single long street. The station consists of several buildings, some of which are ware and baggage houses. Large repair shops are being rected. The parter station building is a small affair, but it is pro-bable that a suitable structure will bable that a suitable structure scon be built." will

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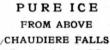
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