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## Note and Comment.

The Torrey-Alexander evangelistic campaign is now in full swing in Liverpool,G.B, in a building which seats 12,000 people with standing room for 4,000 more. The choir of 1,500 singers is seated on the platform. Thirty thousand people attended the opening day's services. The campaign in London is to begin on February ${ }_{5}$ th.

Westminster Chapel, London, is one of the finest Free churches in that great city. It was built about forty years ago, and for ten years the large auditorium, which accommodates 2,000 people, was filled and the ch rirh was the center of many activities. Since then the vork has declined gradually uatil only a hancfful of faithful, earnest folk were left. It is to this work that the Rev. Dr. Campbell Morgan accepted the call a few months ago and upon which hz entered the first of November.

A pottery manufacturer at Yuenchau in Kiang-si, China, was converted. What shall one do as a first fiuits of his decision to follow Jesus Christ? The first outward token of conversion which the pottery-maker gave was that he altered the weights with which he bought materials. He had arranged them so that he bought 18 ounces to the pound. The voice that spoke in his heart when he was converted made him convert his weights also-to 16 ounces to the pound.

Cabel dispatches have drawn attention to a German regulation which is spreading in police circles in the world. The Kaiser's police ruled that the finder of goods left at the police office should receive 10 per cent. of the value from the owner, The result was so satisfactory that in a few years it bids fair to become a universal rule, as honest finders know that they are sure to be compensated, and dishonest ones live in fear of arrest by
keeping the goods.

Professor G. K. Gilbert, one of the most famous zcientists of the United States Geological survey, predicts that the time is coming when the water of the great lakes will reach the ocean by the Illinois river and the Mississippi rather than through the Niagara,
Such a catastrophe, however, is a comfortSuch a catastrophe, however, is a comfortab'e distance off. He says: "In 2,500 years the Niagara River will have become an intermittent stream, and in 3,000 years all its waters will have been diverted to the Chicago outlet-the Illinois River, the Mississippi River and the Gulf of Mexico." Posterity may worry about this, we needn't.
"Innisfoyle" in the Belfast Witness pays the following tribute to Canada and her Presbyterians: Those who have visited Canada declare it to be almost an ideal country. and predict for it a prominent position in the nations of the world in the near future. What most impressed all was the splendid position occupied by the Presbyterian Church in the Dominion, and the $\in \mathbf{x}$ treme activity of that Church. It is well known that a fair share of the ministers of the Canadian Presbyterian Church original.
ly came fromir lard. Indeed some of ine foremost positions are now occupied by them, and that with marked ability and credit."

In a Presbyterian church in Eastern Nova Scotia there is an elder, Mr. Henry Archibald, who is 91 years and 7 months of age and nearly 61 years an elder. Is there another elder as old as Mr. Archibald in years or in office? One of his sons is an elder. Not only so but one of his grandsons is an elder. The grandfather, the son, and the grandson served as elders at the same com munion table. A great grand-son is now at College studying with a view to the ministry. There is another elder in the same session who is 84 years of age in the 55 th year of service in the eldership.

The mission zeal of Catholic and Protes. tant Churches is thus contrasted by a Jesuit
missionary in a French papermissionary in a French paper-He reckons that there are 558 Protestant missionary organizations, spending annually about tour millions sterling; but only a little over 200 Catholic ones, and these spend little over half a million annually. He puts the yearly average contribution of Protestants to missionary work of 2 s 5 d a head, but those of Catholics at less than $3 \frac{1}{\mathrm{~d}} \mathrm{~d}$. Roman Catholics may not give very much money towards carrying out the great commission given by the Lord Jesus to His followers, but they manage $t$ ) invest a good deal in churches, monasteries and convents-in other words, in "brick ar.d mortar."

At an Episcopal Church congress held recently in Liverpool, G. B., where the subject under discussion was the Church's loss of the masses of the people, two of the speakers insisted vigorously on "competent preaching." A Canon of the Church declares that preaching was after all the needed remedy. Where there was a preacher in the pulpit who was a seer and a prophet the church was full. It was preaching that filled the Tabernacle and made the City Temple. He wished the men who were shocked by the sight of souls won by Nonconformists were shocked by some means out of their deadly dulness. The indifference of the Church was responsible for the indifference of the masses. The need was revival. They needed more of Christ, of the Holy Gbost in church, home, and in therr own hearts.

Miss Gwendolin Caldwell, some years ago, gave $\$ 300,000$ to found the Roman. Catholic University at Washington. She had been a Protestant, but became a Roman Catholic and attracted the attention of the late Pope and many other eminent prsonages. She was married to a Frenchman and beeame Marquise Monestier. When she gave up the Church of Rome she was in the city of Rome and she took care to proclaim the fact of her conversion through the Associated Press. The lady's sister was married to a German nobleman, and she also has left the Roman Catholic church. It appears that the father and the mother were of Protestant stock-the mother of the Breckenridge Presbyterian family, and the father of a Methodist family. The incident has created something of a sensation in church
circles.

Principal Fairbairn, lecturing on the Scot tish Church case, complained that the Jord Chancellor ventured into theology without sufficient knowledge. He said-"The Lord Chancellor had asked a man what he understood by 'ihe Covenant of Grace,' and the man of whom the question was asked was as ignorant of the answer as the man who asked it. The Lord Chancellor explained it as a Covenant between God and the man who was saved. It was nothing of the kind; it was a Covenant between the Father and the Son. As one who was jealous for theology, Dr. Fairbairn demanded that even a lawyer, when basing a decision on theology, should know at least as much as a student struggl. ing for a degree. Dr. Fairbairn after speak Ing for eighty minutes, closed by appealing tor a conception of a Church as living and therefore as perpetually escaping from that in its past which might suppress its vitality
or narrow its activity." or narrow its activity."

The venerable Dr. Cuyler, in a thanksgivingarticle, in an American paper, alludes to the "love of the world" in the following ap.
propriate terms: "In nearly every propriate terms: "In nearly every church there may be sume members who-like old 'receiving ships' in navy yards-were dryrotted with love of the world. They lie moored at the dock of formalism, and present an orthodox appearance. If sent to sea, and struck by a gale, they smash in'o utter wreck. There is a certain sense in which every Christian should love the people of the world as Christ did when he died to save nhem, or as Paul did when he consecrated himself to bring the world to Christ. But in trying to draw the world up towards God, we must beware lest it drag us down into sin ful conformities with its habits, its pursuits, and its practices. It is not love for sinners' souls, but love for sins that endangers a Christian's character, Christians were put into the atmosphere of this world to purify it, and not to be poisoned by it. 'Ye are the salt of the earth,' says Jesus to his followers. But if Christians do not salt the world. then the world will soon rot them through and
through."

What the Philadelphia Ledger calls "a picturesque ceremony" to $k$ place recently at Independence Hall in that city "that must have quickened the heart beats of all who witnessed it'" The Band of the Bri:ish Grenadier Guards-the historic regiment that for centuries has typified England's military glory-marched down Chestnut street under the escort of one of our regimental bands. Before the old State House, at the foot of the statute of Washington, the two bands faced each other on parade, and the grenadiers played "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Yankee Doodle," the American band responding with "God Save the King." The Philadelphia paper adds: "These two countries, at least, have outgrown their old antagonisms, living in the present rather than in the past, and between them we may hope that all the e paraphernalia of war can mean nothing but the peaceful parade of international courtesy and good
will.

## Our CUOntribators.

## for Domenoo Phegaytikian,

Song In the Sanctury.
by william selby
Byrde, a noted musician of the 16 th contury, gave eight reasons why people should sing; the 7 th and 8 .h read as follows:
"There is not any music of instrument whatsoever comparable to that which is made by the voice of man, where the voices are good and the saine well sorted."
"The better the voice the meeter it is to honour and serve God therewith, and the voice of man is to be chiefly employed to that end."

The Rev. W. H. Havergal, in his prefatory remarks to the fourth Edition of "Old Church Psalmody," gives a word of warning which is needed:
"If mesic is substituted for religion, and singing for devotion, the best tunes, and the best voices, will neither increase religion. nor aid devotion. It is much to be regreted that display bears sule, where it is the most out of place.

There is no doubt that in some churches there is a tendency to rur in the display line. Some wealthy congregations going to considerable expense in sustaining a professional quartette. A case in point is noted by "The Pitgrim Teacher" where a congregation pays $\$ 2000$ for its choir, and approprates $\$ 300$ for it; Sunday School! the latter amount being barely sufficient to pay running expenses; and they have to economize by doing without Sunday school papers.

There is an ebb and flow in all progressive movements and reforms; and the extremes are sometimes reached before the happy medium becomes permanent. It is a pleasing fact to note that sometime ago, St. Andrew's Church, St. John, N. B., dispensed with its paid quartette. Wnat should be aimed at is good congregational singing, and that cannot be attained without training under competent teachers.

It is an interesting enquiry. Why music has been appointed by God to enter so largely into his worship? No one his to go outside of his own experience to find the answer; and it is printed in large type in church'history. We see the power of sacred song in the important part it performed at the Reformation. How materially it assisted in spreading the pure Bible religion. Its powerful effects in ee early his. tory of Methodism and in recent revival movements, both in Great Britain and the North American continent, are facis equally patent. Music exerts an influence over the minds of men, giving life and power to the truth it accompanies. As thoughts pass from mind to mind by means of words. So the emotion due to the import of these words, spread more easily from heart to heart by the help of the music (melody and rhythm) in which it is clothed, When words are set to music they are imbued with life, and become powerful factors in character building. "Let me write the songs of any nation; I care not who makes its laws." This saying of an eminent writer further emphasises the power of music. In broad general lines the same fact is embodied in the teaching of Scripture. It is because of this lic giving element that Moses is commanded by God to teach the
children of Isracl the song recorded in the 3 2nd chapter of Deut, A fitting close to a great life. A song that has lasted through the ages, and is sung by the redeemed in glory. The song of Moses and the Lamb. Another reason we find in what we might call The preparatory power of music. The complexity of life tends to place us out of harmony with things divine-a disordered state of the body-whether it produces pain, excitement or lethargy, and particularly agitation of the nervous system from almost any cause, presents, while it lasts, positive obstacles to the entrance and influence of divine truth. Whatever assists, therefore, in calming that agitation, or in soothing that excitement of the nerves, may be and is subservient to the truth of God. And such we know to be the tendency of sacred music.

The power of music in this direction was well known in ancient tianes. And the Scriptures give us several instances which ean be easily recalled to ones mind; but there is one not so well known, and which is most applicable in this connection, as it shows its power over anger; and he who calls for its soothing and calming influence, is the one who is filled with anger and notwithstanding it was what we would call justifiable and righteous wrath. Yet that had to be subdued and quelled before he could enter into communion with God. The incident is recorded in the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Chapter II Kings. The personages are the prophet Elisha, and the three kings Jehoram, Jehoshaphat and the King of Edom. To the request and petition of Jehoram, Elisha in anger replies, "What have I to do with thee, get thee to the prophets of thy father, and to the prophets of thy mother-As the Lord of Hosts liveth before whom I stand surely were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat, King of Judah, I would not look toward thee, or see thee. But now bring me a minstrel, and it came to pass as the minstrel played that the hand of the Lord came upon him.

One wonders why so little use is made of this preparatory power of music in our services. By most ministers singing is apparently held as being of little importance, something that can be curtailed or onitted at pleasure. We exclaim, How shortsighted; yet they are not altogether to blame. The colleges turn them out with no training or knowledge on this important subject. Singing and hymnology has no place in the curriculum. That students would enter into the work with avidity is evidenced by the fact that for recreation and amusement they organize glee and other musical clubs.

Music is a divine gift, and God has provided for its cultivation in giving us the voice ; and as Byrde says; "There is not any music of instrument whatsoever comparable to that which is made by the voice of man." It is surely most becoming that we should train it for this, the highest of all uses, the glory of God.

When one hears of $\$ 2000$ and like large sums being paid out for choir purposes, how much more beneficial it would be to spend it in training the congregation, that they may be enabled in sweet harmony to render praise acceptable to the most high Gcd; that service in the sanctuary may become a delight and that each one be enabled to take part intelligently in the service of song,
and learn more perfectly that man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever. The talent is in everyone's possession; for its growth or decay, we are responsible. In this connection the tale told by Daiwin is s. in the extreme. In his autcbiography, he :ys: "Up to the age of thirty or beyond it, poetry of many kinds gave me real pleasure, pictures formerly gave considerable, and music very great delight. But now for many years I cannot endure to read Shakes. peare. I have also almost lost my taste for pictures and muic. My mind seems to have become a kind of machine for grinding general laws out of large collections of facts; but why should this have caused atrophy of that part of the brain alone in which the higher tastes depend, I cannot conceive. The loss of these tastes is a loss of happiness, and may possibly be injurious to the inteliect, and more probably to the moral character, by enfeebling the emotional part of our nature."

This strong testimony given by so sturdy a man as Charles Darwin, on the value of music as an influcrce for good in a man's lite is doubly valuable because of its rareness. And it calls in trumpet tones for the church to use this great and powerful gift in the upbuilding of God's kingdom here below.

Toronto

## Christ and the Scriptures.-V.

## by george w. armstrong.

It is a most interesting study to trace the prophesies of the Oid Testament seers with the historical records of the Evangelists in the New Testament, concerning the incarnation and life of Christ. Prophesy is history anticipated ; and history is the confirmation of prophesy. It would not be diffizult to compile a biography, in its main features, of Jesus, the Messiah, from the writing of the Old Testament. His birth, His public ministry, His death and His resurrection were all known hundreds of years betore His advent. In my last paper I took a superficial and running review showing that Christ was the central figure and theme of the inspired writers from a lost to a regained Paradise; from the Fall to the Sacrificial restoration on Calvary.
Christ speaking to the Jews concerning their Scriptures said: They are they which testify of ME.

The Jewish Scriptures overflowed with unmistakable testimony about Christ, the doctrines He would teach: the mode He would employ to enforce the truths and also revealed His general character. My purpose in this paper is to show that Christ's life on earth was a fulfilment of Hebraic prophesy.

Micah bore testimony as to the place of His birth. "But thou Bethlehem Ephratah though thou be little among the thousands of Juda, yet out of thee shall come forth unto me that is to be ruler of Israel, whose goings forth have been of old even from eveflasting." That is prophecy ! What says history? "Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of India, Isaiah predicted his name: Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call his name Immanuel." Matthew in narrating the circumstances in connection with Christ's birth alludes to this prophesy and shows its fulfilment, Matt : 1, 21-23.

Anticipatiug the coming of Christ the Psalmist says: The Kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents, the Kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts, "
and did not such an event occur? Behold wise men came from the East to Jerusalem saying: Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the East and are come to worship him; and when they were come into the house sures and present they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts ; gold, trankincense and myrih."

Isaiah mentioned the harbinger of Christ: "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord make his paths straight." Does such prediction harmonize with historic fact? "In tho e days(the days of Christ's humanity) came John the Baptlst preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying: Repent yefor the kingdom of heaven is at hand"
The Jewish Scriptures when referring to the office and work of Christ say: The Spirt of the Lord God is upon us, because he hath anointed me to preach good tidings to the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and the opering of the prison to them that are bound, and was not this prediction fulfilled? read luke iv: 18-23. The last prophesy to which I shall allude has reference to the wonderful work of Christ. His miracles. Isaiah says: "Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped, then shall the lame man leap as an hart and the tongue of the dumb shall sing." This rccord might be one of history instead of an utterance six bundred years in advance; read Luke vii: 22. Isaiah has been called the fifth Evangelist because his Messtanic prophesics read more like history than predictions six centuries old!

Pr phesy and history unite in Christ. Loadon, Ont.

## Literary Notes.

The Merryweathers, by Laura E. Richard; Dana Estes and Company, Boston, Price $\$_{1.25}$ Eight full page illustrations. All the young peopie who have read the Margaret and Hildegarde books will welcome with delight this new volume in which are met once more some of the charming girls and boys whom we have grown to look on as friends from meeting them under so many varied circumstances. Mrs. Richards has the happy gift of interesting her readers, whether juvenile or adult, in the beautiful life she portrays, and "The Merry makers" will prove a welcome addition to the book-shelf of any bright, sensible girl.

One of the most noticeable articles in The Quarterly Review bears the title "The Advodatus Diaboli on the Divina Commedia." Dante-students will find it reprinted in The Living Age for December 3 .
Readers who remember the $\mathbf{c}$ ndid and sympathetic tone of the striking article on religious life at Oxford, which the Church Quarterly published last year, and the variety of first hand information which it contained, will welcome its companion article "Religion in Cambridge," which appears in the current number of the same schclarly review. The article is reprinted in The Living Age for November 26.

The Special Autumn Number of "The Studio" is devoted entirely to the work of Daumier and Gavarni, and deals exhaustively with every phase of their genius, The large number of illustrations include many
important Coloured Plates and Photogravures, as well as full page facsimile reproductions of Drawings in black-and-white. In most cases both artists adopted lithography as their medium tor purposes of illustration, and made their drawings direct upon the stone. The tacsimile reproductions for the Special Number have been made from the origina! impressions, row very scarce, and they bring out in a mos successful manner the qualities and the touch of the artists -an important matter in illustrating the work of such consummate draughtsmen. The chapter on Daumier is contributed by M. Henri Franiz, and that on Gavarni by M. Octave Uzanne. The price cf this work is five shillings net. The two remarkable geniuses-Daumicr and Gavarni-whose work is reviewed in the Special Autumn Nnmber of "The Sudio," are, in these hurrying days, almost entirely forgotten, or are remembered only by what are perhaps their least admirable productions. Yct both these artists can, without hesitation, be assigned places amongst the most powerful and the most imaginative draughtsmen the world has ever seen. The talents of both attained their highest perfection in the middle of the Nineteenth Century. They were humorists of the first order--sometimes subtle, sometim:s grim, and sometimes boisterous but always humoricts in the best sense of the word. Each one at times threw off his levity and followed more scrious themes, in astonishing contrast to his usual habit of brimming humour ; but, above all things, ench, by the force, the flexibility, and the signifiatice of his line, was a draughtsman of the very first rank, and no attistic education can be counied complete that does not include something more than a cursory acquaintance with the athieve. ments of these two Masters of the pencil.

All's fair in love, by Josephine Caroline Sawyer. The Musson Book Company. Toronto. This book is beautifully gotten up, with several illustrations in color, and a very pretty linen cover. The tale itself is well told, being a love story of old Scotland, the chiff actors belonging to such great families as the Douglas, Percy and Neville. The interest in the beautiful heroine and her equally loveable friend is well sustained, and the book will prove a most readable one to all who like a good story, well told.

The November Studio (44 Leicester Square, London, England) opens with an article by Henri Frantz on The Att of Rich. ard Parkes Bonington. Then tollows one by A. S Levetus on An Austrian Decorative Artist: Koloman Moser ; and one by Lenore Van Der Verr on The Art of Victor Gilsou!. These articles are of course profusely and in some cases beautifully illustrated. Other articles of interest are : Primitive Art as Exemplified in Tobacco Pipes ; Some Recent Designs for Domestic Architecture ; and Studio-Talk. The number contains several colored illustrations in addition to the many in black and white.

The Bible Student and Teacher, for December, contains a number of nota.le articies, among others. The Gospel of John, by M. W. Jacobus; Inspiration Defined, Unfolded and Defended,byDr. David, James Burrell, and The Place of the Law in Present Day Preaching, by Charles E. Fisk, will attract special attention. The late Princıpal Caven was a member of the American Bible League which publishes the Bible student; and he was, we believe, a eontributor to its pages. Subscription \$1.00 a year in advance.

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##  The Quiet Hour. <br> 

## The Prince of Peace

S. S. Lesson. Iraiah 9: 1-7. Dec, 25, 1904. Golden Text-His name shall to called. Wonderful, Councillor, The mighty od, The Everlasting Father, the Prince of Pea e.-Ivaiah 9: 6,

## REN. W J CLARK, LONDON, ONT

But there shall be no gloom to her that was in anguish, (R:v. Ver.), v, I. Frederick Douglas, the great negro orator, at a meeting of his own people made a speech in which despair for their condition was the prevailing note. The whole audience was cast down. An old negro woman, known as Sojourner Truth was present, called out and asked, "Frederick, i: God dead?" Thank God for those who come to us in our dark hours, and point us to the light yet to dawn! These are the true prophets of the living, loving, God.
In the former time ....contempt....in the latter time ....glorious (Rev. Ver.) $\mathbf{v}$, t . Blow after blow with mallet and chisel-so the sculptor out of the seemingly useless piece of marble forms his splendid masterpiece. Day after diy of severe trainingso the athle'e gains the strength and endurance that wins the race amid the plaudits of the crowd. Is it otherwise in the forming of character? Does not the road to excellence lie amid everyday, commonplace duties and trials? We are too apt to despise these. Are they really not God's tools, intended to mou'd and fashion us into the likenesss of His own son? Irksome the process may be, but how glorious the result!

The people that walked in darkaess have seen a great light, v. 2. Take the sun out of the heavens, and desolation and death would reign over the world, now so fair and beautiful In countless ways the light of day ministers to us. It does more than show us our path. How a day of bright sunshine uplifts us after depressing days of gloom! Our souls need light, too. They need Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. Walking in His presence, we shall not stumble, and from him we shall receive constant inspiration and impulse.

Thou has multiplied the nation, v. 3 The seed cast upon the ground dies, but it is not lost. God sends his sunshine and showers, and by and by the green blades sppear, soon to ripen into the golden harvest. Tre Saviour of the world likened himself to "a corn of wheat," John 12:24. He died, but what a glorious harvest has sprang from His Death! Not the Jews only, but the people of every nation, have received the knowledge of God and His salvation. It needs only the prayers and patient effort of God's children, to bring the glad tidings to every creature, and gather the last sheaf from the world's great harvest field.
Joy How jhis verse jungs ......... rejoice, v. . lake a peal of sweet bells, proclaiming its gospel of joy! Nor is this j y a stream that fails when the summer suns grow hot, but a perennil 1 fountain. Its scource is in God, and it is as enduring as Himself. Are men glad when, in the harvest-time, they reap th : reward of their toil? Does joy fill the hearts of the victors who hive driven a foreign invader out of their bord.rs, and maintaincd their freedom? Even deeper and more satisfying is their joy who have been delivered from the power of evil and have
er tered into the inheritance of the saints.
Thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, v. 4 It is only when we obey the laws of God that we are really free. The writer recently heard this truth aptly illustrated. Imagine a horse and driver approaching a deep and dangerous ravine. A new bridge has been er cted to make a sate crossing, But the horse shies at the bridge, and he with his driver is dashed to death in the ravine. The bridge intended for safety, through misuse becomes a peril. Every divine law leads to satety and freedsm. Refusal to obey them brings us into bondage.
For all the armor of armed man....shall even be for burning (Rev. Ver.) v. 5, Sin lies at the root of strife. But for human ambition and selfishoess war would be unknown. It is by the spread of the gospel that war is to be abolished for the gospel is the great power to change the hearts of men. Its message is one of love and good-will. It has already robbed war of many a horror, making it less brutal, more humane. Every evangelist is a peacemaker. Every missionary is a herald of the kingdom ruled by the Pri ce cf Peace.

For unto us a child is born, v. 6. How a child rules in the home! He twines his tiny fingers round the hearts of parents and older brothers and sisters, and there is nothing they will not do for the little one. His sway is not of force, but of love. And has not Jesus taught us that the little child is the best representative of His kingdom? Not by force, but by love. is that kingdom to be established in the earth.

And his nameshall be called, v, 6. The white ray of sunlight is broken up by the spectrum into the colors of the rainbow. So each of the titles here given reveals a trait of the Saviour's character. Together they tell us what He is willing to be to us in our daily lives. He will be ours, with all his power and wisdom and love, as a constant Indweller, if we but receive Him.

The zsal of the Lord of Hosts, v. 7. Let us never imagine that the Lord has done for us all that is in His heart to do. We may be able to look back on days that have been safe and happy and prosperous. But be sure that the loving God has in His plans for us a more blessed future. He never rests from His work on behalf of his people. Each day reveals him in some new activity for those He so dearly loves. His "zeal" burns with heaven's own fervency, and not till eternity shall end, shall the flame be quenched.

## A Meditation.

hy rev, john reynolds mackay. "SIMON, A CYRENIAN "
This Simon bears a very close relationship to the Cross. Whether he was black or white in skin, his contact with the Cross and the Christ of the Cross made him white in character. And character, after all, is the man. The usual exp'anations given as to why he, a stranger, should have been pressed into such unwilling service, hardly seems to meet the circumstances. The hatefulness of the name "crois-bearer," the disgrace of aiding a "criminal" and such like, inadequately met the central thought of that morning - that everything, while being natural, was yet part of the purpese of God. It was the fullness of time for Christ
-why may it not also have been the full. ness of time tor Simon? He was such a necessary link in that morning's events that we are reluctant to believe his part was outside the God plan.

Taking the story as it reads, we wonder why the artist writer has given so much prominence and detail to Smon. If his part were merely contingent upon circumstances, or the caprice of soldiers, then why should the artist give this man such a prominent place in the foreground of the picture? Has the artist missed the true sense of proportion and lifted a mere detail into unrelated prominence? So would the usual interpretations seem to teach. But when we refer back to Leviticus 16:21, we find the artist has made no mistake in the grand picture of the Crose. He dipped his pen into Divine purpose as well as into local incident. Simon was not a contingent part of that morning. He was part of the plan. The name might have been anything other than Simon, but this individual was intended as part of that morning's fulfillment.
The Old Testament reads that after the priest had laid his hands upon the head of the animal, and confessed the sins of the people, it was to be led away into the wi'derness. But notice who was to lead it away -a man of opportunity, a man who oppor tunely presented himself at the moment the priest needed him. If Christ, then, in his own precious sacrifice fulfilis the one part, why does not Simon fulfill the other ? Was not Simon this man of opportunity-there of his own free will and accord, and yet, there as part of the God-purpose? The Sinbearer was now being taken to his wilderness, and this "man of opportunity" helped to get him there,
My Soul, why canst thou not believe there is also a part for thee in the Great Purpose! This will redeem thy seeming littleness, thine aloneness ! To-day may be thy opportunity, Just by the wayside as thou art carrying out thine own purposes thou mayest see a cross to lift. Do it willingly, do it gladly, for with it thou wilt find a fuller revelation of the Christ ! In some Leviticus why may there not be a shadowmark thou art to fulfill! And this may be thy cross day. Others may force thee into it, and then rail at thy seeming disgrace, but thou shalt find the glory! They see only a cross, but when thou dost look to the other end, thou dost see a smile on his face, and in that thou cost find thy fullest joy, for in thy cross thou hast found his peace.

## The Bible and Rum.

Said Dr. Cuyler in his address at the Ecumenical Conference: "Think of the many years that ships from Christian nations have carried to heathen ports missionaries in the cabins and rum, firearms and opium in the hold. Even such advanced nations as Great Britain and America have gone out to the heathen nations holding a Bible in one hand and a bottle in the other, and the bottle has sent ten men to perdition for every one that the Bible has brought to Christ."

## A Prayer.

Let me lie still in suffering, dear Christ, and think of thee. Fix my mind on thy Cross and Passion, and make me know the bliss of being Thy companion in pain. And oh, when it is hard to be calm and quiet, come Thou very, very near, and speak peace to my soul. So shall my grief be turned to joy and my heaviress to cheer. Amen.

## Eternal Love.

The Eternal Love is ever the same. I never preached otherwise, I hope I never shall. But the power of responding may die from out your soul. There is to each of us given, as 1 take it, a capacity for faith, for repentance, for love. We can squander it by wilful neglect and wanton reasoning You say then, the spirit of God is quenched. Yes, but what does it mean? It means that your own spirit, the only power that can resplnd to it, is quenched within you. You have destroyed it, and it is over, Now it is peace.
Yut will not think about :his when you you leave the subj ct, not once ; it will have no more effect upon you than a zephyr. When the wood is green, jou put it into the fire, and it turns. You take up the charred branch after that, but you can never light it again. Abandoned of the Almighty! But how? Wuh his love just breaking over you, in the sadness of utter despair.
"Byono me," you say, because you do not know it, you are uncorscious of it. Years ago on a summer afiernoon, I stood on a lutle harbor wall and saw two vessels trying to make the entrance. They were lying in a narrow channel, and, since there was not cnough to keep them up, they were lying on their sides. But far ou the tide began to turn, and one wave after another pased under them, and every wave in the channel made the watcr deeper, and I saw in a litle while that the water was twelve feet deep in the hatbor, and the green, foaming waves rushed in like a mill race. I looked again toward the narrow passage, and saw that on one vessel they had taken advantage of the wind at the right moment, and on that first vessel they floated in on full tide. Upon the other vessel they were not on the alert, though sailors do not often make that mistake, nnd when they tried to make the barbor the tide had turned, and they could not. The water grew shallower, they gave up the attempt, and gradually the vessel heeled over, and lay just as before on the bank of sand. At nighttall I went down again, and In the dark gloaming I saw the forsaken vessel, and I prayed that I might not miss the tide which God gives to our sou's, nor quench His Spirit within my hea.t.-John Watson.

## Christ in Disguise.

Nut siniply to do good men entertain angels unawares, but sometimes they entertain unawares Christ himself, who comes, wearing e strange disẹuise. Those two disciples who neet that stranger on the way to Emmaus, recogized not even their own Master. He talked with them indced with his old fire and eloquence. As was his wont he threw light upon problems that had been dark. He breathed into them a new hope, but noi until a long time had massed did they realize their hearts had burn-cd- within them as they talked by the way. At last in breaking of bread he was made known unto them. And he who once came in physical disgurse now comes disguised in even's. He makes weakness his minister. He makes trouble and defeats his messeng. ers. He makes old age, yea, suffering and death itself, to mean deliverance. He knocks at the door of the house of a man's soul, and the kecper of the door trembles, suspecting the coming of an enemy, but in the hour when men feel most of all the approach of death itself, behold, behind the mask is one whose face is filed with light, the Lord of life and death, who comes bringing rclease, convoy, and guidance nomeward. - Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis.
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Decembes 18, The Light of the World.
Tipsle-The light of the world. Isa:9 2.7.

## Some Bible thots.

Light was God's first gift of creationand His last and best, the Unspeakable Gift (v, 2).

Christ is torday the governor of the wor'd, for the governing nations are the Christian nations, and the governing ideas are Christian (v. 6).

No one name and no ten names can include all that Christ is to the world ; but as we know Him better, we shall find more names for him (v. 6).
No end to the increase of His peace peace beyond peace, ever a decper and more blessed joy! (v. 7).

## Suggestive Thoughts.

Chist can be the Light of the world on'y as He is the light of you and me and of others like you and me.

Christ is not truly th: Light of any man until that man receives the light in trust for all the werld.

What heing ever lived, except Christ, who could say, without excoting ridicule, that he was the light of the world?
Christ nothing to the great world that He may not be to your title world, and nothing in your litule world that you shou'd not try to ex'end into the great world.

## A Few Mustrations

It is of the nature of light to be missionary, always outgoing as soon as it becomes light. So with the true Christian.

The \} r a y s and the many worderful dis- coveries that have followed upon that dis. covery show us how much ue have yet to learn about light. We have even more jet to learn about the light of the wetld.

A mirror that reflected perfectly would be itself invisible. S)a Chrictian that perfectly reflected the Light of the world would himself remain out of sight.
To Think Abzut.

Does my light come direct'y from Christ ?
Is Christmas to me a missionary day ?
Is there any part of my life that is yet in the dark ?

A Cluster of Quotations
Every particle of glass reflecting the suaiight is a witness to the sun.-Peloubet.
In this Light's love, O let me ever live:
And let my soul have never other love
Breton.
He that hath light within his own clear breast
May sit in the centre and enjoy brigbt dav--
Milton.
Walk in the light and thon shalt own
Thy darkness passed away.
Because the Light hath on thice sthone
In which is perfect day.-Burion.

## Musical Mfnistries.

Canvas the society to see what menbers have solos, duets, and quartettes for use in coming meetings.

Choose some song appropriate to the topic of the nex: church prayer meeting, and ask permission for the Endeavorers to sing it as a chorus.
Form a band to $\sin$ gospel hymns outside the church door just before the Sunday evening services.

Organize a glee club to sing in the church and Christian Endeavor socials,

Hold a musical party on some week
night, singing the less-known picces of your hymn book, and interporing essays on the great musicians and hymn writers

Appoint a society "hymnologist," whose duty it will be to tell at each meeting the circumstances under which some hymn was written, or some incident growing out of it.

Gather a little library of old music books, which will give you an abundance of admirable solos, duets, and selections for special meetings.

## Faith,

Hy thove w, Tomkins, s i b.
Is Faith unreasomble:
Fauh is not consradictory to reason, but beyond it. It is always founded upon reason, but it grows up above the found. ation and is superior to it, though never independent of it. True faith wer clashes with reason Faith does not say, "two and two make five"; but it can "say, "God has infirite power" though reason cannot grasp infinity. Practecally, however, our faith should be a reasonable faith. It must be such as to draw men by its balance and constanc;; It must apply itself to daily needs and daily work. It must interpret Ged as Jesui interpteted him in terms of human relationship, as our Father, our Friend, our Helper

Thcte is a dogmatic faith ; that is, a faith hased upon cxact statements regarding God's nature and work; and tbere is an (motional faith; that is, a fath drawn from one's own lengings and needs and from God's tender words of compassion. These are both good and necessary in their place. But the faith neede? today, both by men and women individually and by the world at large, is that which brings God into our daily lives to help us and lift us up. Such a faith talks to God as naturally as to a friend; it looks to God for heip in adding figures or washirg dishes or teaching chldren, just as much as in praying or reading the Bble or visiting the sick. That is what is meant, I thirk, by reasonable faith. It is a faith which appeals to men and draws them to God.

Gratitude is the use that onc makes of God's gifts. No one was ever truly thankfu: who failed to say so by his life.

Sin is something more than a breach of good judgment or an outrage against public opinion. The old answer that many of us learned years ago has rever been improved upon. A transgression of, or want of conformity to Cod's law includes it all. Public opinion may have its exceptions, but these do not affiect the fact.

Philip of Macedon kept a servant whose duty was to say to bim every morning, "Philip, remember you must die."

## Daily Readings.

M., Dec. 19. A dark world. Isa. $42: 6$-.).
T., Dec. s0. A star shines. Num. 24:15-17
W., Dec. 21 . A sun arises. Mal. $4: 1 \cdot 6$.
T., Dec. 22. Dawn breaks. Luke $2: 27 \cdot 32$.
F., Dec. 23. Light rejected. John 3:6-21,
S., Dec 24. Sons of light. Jobn 12:34-39

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Ottaws, Wednesday, Dec 14, 1904.
ATIENTION is dire d to accounts enclosed to subscribers in this issue. At this season of the year a prompt remit tance wil be most gratifying. To those kind friends wh have already made payment for 1905 , we tender very hearty thanks

Bruce Presbytery nominated Rev. J. L. Murray, D D., for the moderatorship of the next General Assembly

It was announced in London last week that a royal commission will be appointed to inquire into the cifferences between the Fres Church of Scotland and the United Free Preshyterian Church. We sincerely trust the news may prove true.

Rev. П M Ramsay, D.D., minister of of Knox church, Ottawa, has been nominated for the vacant chair of Oid Testa. ment Literature and Exegesis in Montreal Collcge by the Owen Sound Presbytery.

A typographical error in last issue made us allude to the proposed union between Prisbyterians, Mithodists and Baptists. Of course, the word Congregationalists should have been used instead of the word Baptists.

It the Sons of Temperance annual meeting last week in Toronto, Mayor U:quhart said a big pledge signing movement in Canada was aboat due. He thought the political end of the movement had long enough had almost exclusively the right of way

The programme for the Week of Prayer, issued by the council of the Evangelical Alliance, is agsin before the public, and is mecting with feneral acceptance. The geacral outline of subjects is as follows: On Monday, thanksgiving and prayer for the 'One Body' of which Christ is the head; Tuesday, prayer for nations and their rulers ; Wednesday, prayer for our
own land and possessions; Thursday, prayer for families, educational establishments, and the young ; Friday, prayer for God's ancient people Israel; Saturday, prayer for foreign missioas.

## Last tribute to the late prin CIPAL CAVEN, LL.D., D.D.

## (Contributed.)

The tidings of the death of the late revered and beloved Principal Caven, came with a shock of surprise to his fellow citizens of Toronto, much more must they have done to the Dominion at large. On Sabbath, the day after his death, memoria! sermons were preached in many Presbyterian pulpits, and allusions were made to the sad event in many of the pulpits of all Protestant denomina tions, and loving tributes were paid to the memory of the departed. A large congregation, in which were many strangers, was present in St . James Square church, of which the late principal has been a member for well nigh forty years. The whole service from begining to end was most impressively conducted by the pastor, Rev. Alfred Gandier, B. D, who took for his text the words: "The Lord giveth the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord" The sermon was a wise, just, calm, truth.ul and affectionate estimate and appreciation of the eminent character and services to the congregation, the church and country of him whose place was now vacant in the house of God on earth. At the close of the service the first notes of the "Dead March in Saul ${ }^{\nu}$ came slowly and softly from the organ, and the whole large congregation remained standing in reverend silence until the last notes of that solemn and noble music died away. Besides the excellent sermon, it may be mentioned that the scriptures read were Ps. 90 and 2 Tim 4, 1.8. The psalms and hymns sung were : Psalm se'ection 34, "God is our refuge and our strength;" "The Sands of Time are sinking," hymn 346; "Give me the wings of faith to rise," hymn 302 , and hymn 26 r , "For all the saints who from their labors rest."
On Monday, after the private service at the principal's late home, the public funeral service presented a notable exception to the Jewish proverb that a prophet is not without honour save in his own country." They were held in the Convocation Hall of Knox College, the most fitting place, where, to rest for a brief space, the mortal remains of him who had so often appeared there, on the way to the heuse appointed for all at last, the silent grave Almost every foot of standing room was occupied, and the entrance hall under the eastern corridor and stairway were filled by those who could not find room in the Convocation hall. It presented an impressive sight. On the wall just behind the platform was the portrait of the i'ead draped in black, were the presiding minister, Rev. Alfred Gandier, seated on his left hand were Rev. Dr. Milligan, moderator of the General As. sembly, Rev. Dr. McLaren and many
toher well known and distinguished men. On the right sat the LieutenantGovernor of Ontario, Premier Ross, Rev. Dr. Warden, Sir. Thos. Taylor and many others, including the professors, Senate and Board of Knox College, Principal Sheraton of Wycliffe College, Provost Macklin of Trinity Culege, Revs. Chancellor Wallace and Burwash of Macmaster, and Victoria College respectively, Principal Gordon of Queen's university, Principal Scrimger, of Montreal College; and others representing the bench and the bar, educational and ecclesiastical bodies. Looking round the audience one couid notice wellknown public men of all the professions, the mayor of the city, the public school board, the Presbytery of Toronto, a delegation from the session and board of managers of St. James Square congregation, students of Knox college, ministers from London, Stratford, Barrie, Orillia, St. Catherines, Hamilton and many other places, the whole forming with the general public a very notable gathering.

It was touching to see among the mourners, seated immediately in front of the platform, with the three sons of the departed, a grandson of tender years, having in many respects features and an appearance very like to those which we imagine the dead grandfather to have had at the same stage of his life.

The proceedings began by Rev. Mr. Gandier with slow and solemn deliberateness, repeating appropriate scripture sentences followed by prayer. Rev. Dr. Milligan read selections from scriptures in ist Cor. xv . from the book of Revelation, and also offering prayer. A few verses of the psalm, "God is our Refuge," etc. were sung, and Rev Prof. Maclaren, D. D, read a carefully weighed and carefully worded, most just and truthful estimate and tribute to the good, and even in not a few respects, great man which in the death of Dr. Caven the college, the church and the cuuntry had lost. Rev. Principal Sheraton was the representative speaker for the Christian denominations other than Presbyterian, and in a paper of some length he expressed with fulness, affection and justice the high estimation in which the departed principal was held by all who had been associated with him in common spheres of work. It can truthfully be observed of all that was said in honor and praise of the late Dr. Caven in these addresses, that they were marked by moderation, wisdom, justice and exact truth. Everyone who knew Dr. Caven felt in his heart the response to all that was said in his praise, "That is true."
The character of Dr. Caven, though marked by a measure of reserve, was yet so transparently upright and true, so free from every trace of affectation, so simple, natural and open, that his public services are known to and valued by all intelligent Canadians, and to them have been borne willing and abundant testimony. He was a model citizen and patiot in the wise and deep interest he took, and in the active service he rendered to every, cause that could advance the nation's well being in the best sense. Though not a politician, it was observed that he was ready to take a strong and decided position in matters affecting the body politic. He was a broad minded man, and while Conservative, yet wall abreast of time in all questions whether of public policy, or in educational, doctriaal or ec
clesiastical subjects. In debate it was remarked that he was conspicuously fair to opponents, wise, courteous, charitable, oper minded. All these qualities were especially illustrated, not to mention others more of a political character, in the part be took on the subject of Temperance, the preservation of the Lord's Day intact for worship and rest, and in particular, in his attitude towards and strong advocacy of greater union among Chris tian bodies. To see and effect this may be said to have been the consuming desire, even the passion of his last and ripest years. To this, all who spoke of him have borne witness

A few verses of the "Sands of time are sinking' were sung, Rev. Dr. Warden offered prayer briefly, and pronounced the benediction ; the body was borne to the hearse, the funeral cortege, very large and observed by many spectators, was formed, and wended its way to Mount Pleasant cemetery, where, surrounded by the mourners, friends, and representatives of public bodies and schools of learning, the last rites of reading the scriptures and prayer were observed as the shades of a grey, dult evening were falling upon the silent, mourning company.

Dr. Caven was conspicuously in his public life and service a Canadian, and he was an honored, and in a still more eminent degree, a blessing to the church whish trusted and loved him and which he served and adorned, to Knox College, to our educational institutions in the widest sense, to his country and fellowmen. His was a singularly large full and well rounded out life. He was one whose life for its nobility from every point of view, and the tibutes paid to him by his contemporarie; at his death, will be long remembered, and may well serve as an inspiration to all Canadians to live the noble, upright, true, unselish life of devotion to duty and to the highest ideals of Christian citizenship. Dr. Caven was so modest, so unobstrusive, so wholly void of all attempt at display, that his true greatness is apt to be underestimat ed, and will we believe, be better under stood and appreciated by those who come after, than by us who have lived side by side with him.

## ORAVE FACTS.

Recently in London, England, Lord Chief Justice Alverstone was the principal guest at the dinner of the Authors' Club. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who presided, referred to the laxity of the law and its administration in the United States, and said that that great nation had outgrown its legal strength with appalling results. Whilst Great Britain in the Boer war lost $\mathbf{2 2 , 0 0 0}$ lives, the United States lost in the same three years 32,000 lives through murder or homicide. This, the speaker said, would be a piteous end to the high hopes of those who looked to America as the Utopis of the future; but he added, America would crush this foul growth by strengthening the machinery of the law and putting judges on a higher basis. Lord Alverstone, in replying, said that he agreed with every word Sir Arthur Conan Doyle had spoken, and that his remarks were no stronger than he had heard from many Americans themselves. But in regard to the treatment and reclamation of

## convicted criminals, Lord Alverstone said

 Great Britain had much to learn from America, and Americans were working hard to make their system not only humane but truly preventive of crimeThese are grave facts, bespeaking the need of every religiots force that can be brought into action.

## Our Book Table.

Life's Nobler Penelties is another welcome booklet from the pen of Rev. George H. Morrison, M.A., whose "Gentle Att of Making Happy" was noticed in these colemnes a few months ago. "At the back of every privilege there lic strange penelties; for every advance we make, all favors we enjoy, there is a certain price to pay in this mysterious world; it seems to be a law in this dark universe that with everything we gain we should I se something. I wish, then, to present one or two facts to you to view them in the light of noble penelties. And I trust it may help some to be more cheerfully couragecus, which after all is one of life's greatest victories. ${ }^{\text {n }}$ With this laudable ob ect in view our author treats his sub. ject, very tenderly and helpiully. (The Upper Canada Tract Society, Toronto. Price 35 cts. net )
The Gist of the Lesson, a concise exposition of the International Sunday School Lesson for 1905 , by R A. Tortcy, is so wel known as to require no lengthy notice at our hands. It is so "concise" as to be readily carried in the vest pocket. (Upper C.n. ada Tract Suciety, Toronto. Ptice 25 cts.)

Our Latest Invacion; An account of the influx of Roman Catholic orders into Great Britain, consequent upon the passage of the Association Bill in France. In this litile book Mr. Divid Williamson, in re sponse to numerous requeste, has $g$, wered into convenient shape a number of ar icles written for the Sunday at Hom, which makes interesting, if not startling reading for British Protestants. The witer makes a plea for authentic and comp'ete -tatistics of the religicus orders in Brata:n, which would give a b2, is for further action; all monastic institutions in the country should be open to thorough government inspection : no burials should be permitted to take place within the private grounds of monastarics and nunneries; and he concludes that "Great Biitain must awake to the peril which this latest invasi $n$ biingr, and mu t gield not one inch of Protestant ground to thise foreign invadets who have been expelled from their native land as enemies to the common wealth." U Un,in Curacis Tract Society; price 35 cts

Quiet Tal.rs On Prayer; A new book by S D. Gidon, will be gladly walcomed by all who has read his high'y suggestive and deeply spiritual "Quiet Ta ks on Prayer." The rneaning and mis sion of prayer are dealt with in a pract cal manner under the following headings: Prayer, the greatest cutlet of Power ; Prayer the deciding Factor in a spirit cor flict ; The earth, the Battle-field in Piayet; Des Prayer influence God? The other general topics discussed are: Hindrances to Prayer, How to Pray, and Jesus' H bits of Pray er. This book, like its predecessor, will prove a blessing to thousands and we heartily commend it to our readers. (The Upper Canada Tract Siciety, Toronto. Price 75 cts. nei.)

A Short History of Ancient Egypt, by Percy E. Newberry, and John Gars-
tang. Dana Estes aud Company, Boston. The introductory note tells us that "The purpose of these pages is to present a short history of Ancient Egypt from the founding of the monarchy, until the disintegration of the empire three thousand years afterward." The authors of this work have done their work excellently, dividing the matter into eleven separate chapters with sever: sub headings in each chapter. The opening chapter gives a general description of the country, then folow chapters on the various periods ending with the Persian invasion and the final conquest by Alexander. The book will prove of value to those who wish to gain an idea of the history of the great nations of the past, and who have not a great deal of time to spend in such study.

Nancy Stair, by Elinor Macartney Lane. Poole Publishing Company, Toronto. In this "Novel" is worked out a remarkably good character sketeh of Nancy Stair, the daughter of Lord Stair, who wrote remarkably good poetry, met Nobert Burns, was wooed by a grand duke, and found her vocation in becoming wife of a commoner, and a happy mother. The story purports to be written by her father and shows the charming Nancy from the time she is a little girl of four or Give already writing verse, up to the time when she gives up poetry to live it with the man she nearly lost through the eccentricities of her genius. The book has all the flavour of the eighteenth century, and bas also a brightness and originality lacking in many works of modern fiction.

God's Good Man, by Marie Corelli, William Briggs, Toronto. Marie Corelli needs no introduction. She has been before the reading world for many years, and is, perhaps, one of the most talked of women writers of the present day. This book is, however, something of a departure from her usual style, being a simple love story with nothing unpleasant in it. The greatest objection one can raise is its length, nearly six hundred pages being rather tco long to follow the ordinary love affair of even a most interesting couple. We can nevertheless congratulate MissCorelli on having returned to the stgle which made her popular as the writer of "Thelma." The author's note at the first of the book, where she begs mercy, or at least fairness at the hands of critics and reviewers, is the most interestirg part of the book, being quite original.

The Bindweed, a novel by Nellie $K$. Blissett, The Musson Book Company, Toronto. While the names of the principals in this book are fictitions the romance gives a graphic description of what happened to the King and Queen of Servia, and gives the reader a clear insight into the intrigues that are constantly going on in the troubled state of the Balkans. The book is readable, but one feels that no good purpose, if no evil one has been served by the writing of such a tragedy.


## The Drum Beat

## III VARGARET WALDO HIGGINsON.

A small boy lay on his face and crooned softly to himself the strains of the mimic battle which had just died away. Two girls had just come into the hospital ward and had constructed most exsiting ramparts of chairs, and had then beat a loud ratt at.oo, accompanied by the sound of bugle notes, on the tin table drawn up for the purpose. The dolls fell rapidly as the bullets (the fingers of the two gitis traversing rapidly) wounded them, and fearful carnage was displayed in the heap of shattered and distorted remains that lay upon the floor. Here and there were heaps of sawdu $t$, and pieces of tin (presumably armor ;) and bits of china noses and hands were scattered about in sad confusion.

Some of the children had shricked with glee during the battle; others, who, were not quite so well, had ceased their restless lossing to and fro on their narrow beds to stare with wide-eyed wonder and concern. But the small buy in the cornor cot had heard it in a dazed and wonderful joy.

He was a long and thin and white little boy, with a face that had suffered, and eyes that were very much crossed and very full of pain. He had just come out of ether ; up -up-upout what had seemed a never ending abyss into the familiar daylight again. Then he had been dimly conscious of being lifted up in strong arms and carried dizzily, dizzly (how his head had flopped back on the Strong Thing's sh ulder !) ill at last he he was lowered into something deliciously soft and comfortable; and all at once there he was back at the same old thing he had been doing so long.

He was decoying soldiers into an ambush, and they were surpriscd, and boom-went the cannon! Wait-he was hit- such a sharp pain, and his head went round and round. The sun seemed to be surrounding him in little driblets of broken light; he tried to push it away from his eyes. Now some one was chasing him, and he ran, the shadows sceming to deepen around him. Suddenly he stumbled and fell; then some one picked him up and carried him away in strong arms that scemed to wobble.

The little boy stirred a littie and moaned; he feit very tired of being hit by that caanoon. Fur what seemed endless years he had been dreaming of soldiers, and at the cnd-just before he began over again-he was always hit and went down in a dim blackness that he could not understand. Now, this last time he had been picked up; the other times he had apparently been left on the field to die. His mind felt blurry and queer, and he wondered as he opened his eyes if he were a tin soidier or a little boy. All at once his hand felt the plaster on his leg. He gasped. "I must have a wooden. leg!" he said. Then his unsteady thoughts trailed off again into nothingness.

Rat-at-at-at, rat-at-at came the tin table drum, and then followed bugle notes, sweet and clear. The little cross-cyed boy stirred in his soldier dreams. Yes, it was a frosty morning-the tent canvas flapped in the icy wind-but there was the reville, and it was time to get up. "Get up, get up," he kept saying to bimself, and he prodded
his new leg. But it seemed heavy, and so did hishead. He could not move, and he would be reported by the orderly and consigned to the guard-house for tardiness.

Boim!-there was the cannon-they werc besieged, and the walls had fallen! He jumped wide awake in bed, and the darkness of the night and mystery fell away from bim. Over there, two girls were having a battle on a tin table. Dolls were talling right and left, and some of the children were shrieking with glee. How funny that he should always be in the midst of a battle! But where was the cold icy morning, and the tent? Here was the warm sunny ward, with all the little beds, and the children lying in them, some patient, some excited, some very, very unhappy, one or two sobbing with quivering little hearts, but all waiting till the doctors should make them well But now the whole ward was at attention as the bugle notes rang out.

The little cross-zyed boy lifted up his head as much as he could and looked across to the scene of action. He clenched his small hand in the excitement of the beating of the drum, and into his eyes, still hazy with ether-dreamland, came a gleam of fire and $\mathbf{j} y$ unutterable. As the clatter ceases he turned over on his face and crooned to himself soft bugle rotes. Then he sank again into dreams.

Three doctors surrounded the bed. One was a surgeon, and the other two were young house ductors who hung upon his very word. There had been a consultation, and the little boy was to be again operated on. A kind-eyed nurse came up to them.
"Has it got to be done?" she asked the surgeon.
"Yes," he answered, shortly; "does he take ett.er easily ?"
" Last time I had one of the nurses beat on a table as if it were a drum, sir, so that it should be the last sound he heard as he went off. He is always dreaming of soldiers, he says, and so when he thinks he hears the drum he forgets to be afraid,"

The surgeon's stern face softened a little as he looked at the sleeping boy.
"Poor little chap I" he said softly.
The young house doctors looked at each other. "Never saw the old man look that way before," one whispered to the other. Then they were at rapt attention again as the surgeon spoke.
"Take him down to-morrow," he said, " and give the ether gently. Don't forget the drum."

Then he went out.
A child being carried through endless corridors on a stretcher. Beside him lay a new drum, the gift of an unknown triend that morning, and his hand rested lovingly on its shiny beauties. His eyes, crossed and strangly old were bright with joy of possession. When he was set down in a sunlit room, he was surrounded by white-coated men.
"Don't take my drum away," he said, gently, "I want to drum it."

A funnel-shapped thing,smelling strangely cloying and yet delightful, was put over his face ${ }^{-H e}$ dimly remembered just such a thing having happened to him in the long
ago of the week before. As he smelt more and more curiously of the sirange thing over his face, his hand on the drumstick relaxed. It was taken up by soms one else.

Rat at-at-at, rat at-at at.
Delicious thrills crept all up and down his body. A brigade of soldiers was marching down the hill-see them? Their coats gleamed white in the sun.

Rai-at-at at, rat at at-at.
Fainter and fainter got the drum.
Rat-at-at at.
He was going down a long, long hill. At the top was sunshine, at the bottom lay the deep shadows. Faster and faster he was being urged along; the trees swam beside him. He wondcred if they would get there before him, they seemed running so fast.

Rat-at at-at-how far off was the drum :
Rat at-at.
Rat-at.
And the surgeon petformed his work.
The little cross-tyed boy was dying, One young doctor and a nurse were at the bedside, and the world was very still. The sunshine lay in long gold gleams on the floor, and the day was waning. The boy's life, fading like some poor flower, ebbed with the sunshine.

Suddenly he whispered, and the nurse bent down to catch what he said.
"The drum," he murmured, weakly.
Sowly the nurse began to beat, firsi soft. ly, then gradually growing louder and louder She was putting all ber soul into this, the requiem-the dying march of a litt'e boy. The pale hands clenched fecbly and the poor crossed eyes opened-pitifully bright. Then they closed and over the yearning little face glowed a great joy.

Yes, he was getting there at last-he didn't know where-but he had been trying for so long, and now it was coming. See all those soldiers in white coats coming sut to meet him-him, only a little boy! How good some one was to him!

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## Simple Hospitality.

One reason why we fail to take all the comfort and enjorment we might from our friends and neighors is that we are ambitions to make our social entertainments too elaborate. They scon become a burden and an expense to all but the very well todo. Thore is good sense in having a little something to eat when a fow friends visit you in the crening. Nobody has sal. ifactory explained why the act of eating together promotes good fellowship, but we all know that it does. To secure this result, however, it is not in the least necessary that what is eaten be rare or expensive, Crackers and cheese, provided they are good and daintily served, will do as well as pate de foie gras or boiled mushrooms. The main thing is that what is eaten be relishable. A chafing dish is a great invention for neighborly sociability. The moment the little company is gathered about the little dining room table interest centres in the manipul. ations of the fair hostess. That is one of the moments when a woman looks most en. gaging. And when the plates are filled with toothsome morsels, the spirit of nelghboriy friendliness and good cheer is at high tide. A little money will go a long way in pleasant entertaining, if we are sensible enough to make it very simple, and let good feeling largely tal:e the place of money in the ordering of our hospitality,-Watchman.

## THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN

## A Concert on Credit

## by hattie lummis.

"I can't come to school this afternoon, Miss Hollister," Dorothy told her teacher at recess. "Mamma hasn't been out of the house since Dale was sick, and that's most seven weeks. But to-day she and papa are going to the concert, and I'm going to take care of Dale.
"That's quite a responsibility," said Miss Hollis'er, smilimg at Dorothy's important air. "Your mamma must be very sure that you are to be to trusted."
"Well; you see it makes people very queer to be sick a long time," Dorothy explained, lowering her volce confidentially. "Dale never used to cry, but now he cries about everything that he doesn't like, and then he gets feverish, and mamma's atrald he'll have a relapse. Mamma knows I'll let him beat in all the games, and that's why she dares to leave me to take care of him."
It was no: easy to get along with Dale. Dorothy hardly knew her brother, and a dozen times a day she was obliged to comfort herself by remembering mamma's assurance that Dale's temper would improve as his body grew stronger. This afternoon it was worse than usual, for Dile had become so accustomed to his mother's presence that he was inclined to resent her leaving him, even for a few hours. Dorothy tried her hardest to be entertaining, with rather unsatisfactory results. And if he gets to fretting and is worse," she thought, deparingly, "why mamma won't dare to go away again for ever so long."

They were in the midst of a rather uninteresting game of authors when the sound of distant music reached their ears. Dale dropped his cards and looked at Dorothy with brightening eyes. Then he smiled.
"It's a hand organ," he said. "I wish he'd hurry and get to our house. Do you 'spose he'll stop here, Dorothy ?"
"Well give bim some money, and then he will," replied Dorothy, jumping to her teet and running to her bank. But though she shook it with all her mighr, not the faintest jingle answered her. DJrothy's bank had a way of being empty, but it had never failed its mistress at quite such a crisis as this.
"Oh I wonder if there isn't a nickel or a penny lying around somewhere," cried Dorothy, darting around the room, distractedly, and looking into all sorts of unlikely places.
"He's coming, Dorothy! Hurry," eried Dale, who had pressed his tace against the window-pane.
'But I can't find any money. Maybe Norah's got five cents," and Dorothy flew down to the kitchen, only to meet another dissappointment. Norah had jast finished explaining how she had sent all her month's wages to her mother in Ireland, when Dale's voice, chocked with tears, called over the hanister: "He's gone by Dorothy, He isn't going to stop."
"Oh yes he will, Dale" Dorothy called back cheerfully. "Just wait a minute,"

Dale heard the outside door slam. Going back to the window be saw a small girl, with flying curls, running after a little Italian, bent double under the weight of his heavy organ.

The man lookes surprised when Dorothy pulled his sleeve, and he broke into her explanations with a gentle murmer in his native tongue. If he did not understand English, how was she ever to explain what she wished. Then all at once she discovered at her side a small boy with big black eyes and gleaming white teeth, who was peering around at her with an air of interest.

Dorothy took a long breath, and told the whole story ; how her brother had been sick, and how the least little thing made him cry, he was so nervous, and how when he cried he grew feverish, and was worse again. Then she told how much Dale wanted to hear the music, and how she had looked in her bank for money but in vain.
"And won't you play for us to-day, and trust us for the money till the next time?" cried Dorzthy appealingly. "Oh, please, please do "'"

The white teeth of the Italian boy flashed in a smile as she ended, and when he had translated Dorothy's speech to his father he smiled too. Without another word the three went back to the corner. The Italian stationed his organ just under the window from which Dale was looking down so eager$l y$, and stili smiling, began to grind out his music.

What a treat it was, even if the organ was a trifle asthmatic, and wheezed sadly over "Listen to the Mocking Bird!" Dale beat time on the window sill, his face wreathed in smiles, and Dorothy sat by, overjoyed to see him happy. The hand-organ man played every tune through twice, and the boy rattled his tambourine vigorously, smiling up at Dale as he did so. And at last the concert was ended, and the musicians waved their caps for good-bye and went slowly down the street,

It was ten days before they came again, and Dorothy worried a little over their nonappearance. 'I hope they didn't think I wanted them to play for nothing," she told her mother. "I 'specially asked them to trust me till the next time, but they don't understand English very well."
But one night at dinner the strains of "Listen to the Mocking-Bird" came wheez. ing through the windo $s$, and Dorothy was on her feet in a minute.
"Its our hand-organ man," she exclaimed. She flew to the window, and a dark esed man and a dark eyed little boy greeed her with a flash of white teeth. "Ivegot ten cents for them upstairs," Dorony cried. "Dale and I have been saving up."
"I think I'll have to add a contribution," sald her father taking a quert r ft. m , his pocket, and brother Tom crted a 1 I : "Pass the hat $D$ rothy; we all want io put in something,"
' It is a good thing the hand-organ season is nearly over," papa said to mamma when the music ended, which was not for an hour or more. And Durothy and Dale wondered as they had often worderded before, at the strange notions of groxn-up people. -Congregationalist.

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## One Thing Done Well

At the immigration station on Ellis Island the officers send back to their own country all paupers who would need to be supported by the government. Scribner's Magazine describes an incident occurring there which shows the benefit of being able to do one thing well,
Among others waiting an examination was a tall, young Pole, about twenty years old, who carried a black bag under his arm.
When the young man's turn came to answer the incevitable question, ' How much money have you?" he smiled and answered franky, "None"
"But don't you know you can't come in here if you have no money and no friend to speak for you? Where are you going to ?"

To Fall River first, I have a friend thers Then I shall see the whole country. I shall make money. Yon will hear of me."
The inspector procceded rather sharply ; "How will you get to Fall River ? Where will you eat and sleep to-night ?"
"I shall be all right," replied the young f. low, confidently. "With this, tapping the black bag. "I can go anywhere"

What is it?"
The Pole laughed, and opened the bag, tor, $k$ wut a cornet. It was a fine instrument and gave evidence of loving care.

Can you play it well ? " asked the officer, mone kindly.
In answer the young Pole stepped into an open space, and lifting the horn to his lips, began the beautiful intermezzo from "Cavalleria Rusticana." At the first note every one in the great building stood still and listened. The long lines of immigrants become motionless. The forlorn waiters in the pit looked up and their faces became tender. Even the meanest among them seemed to $\mathrm{f} e \mathrm{el}$ the charm of the pleading notes.

When the music ceased there was a burst of app'ause. Shouts of ' Bravo!'" "Good toy!" "Give us some more!" came from every sid.. The physicians who had a few minutes before wade their hurried and not over-gentle examination, joined in the ap. plause. The officer who had questioned him so sharply slapped him on the back. The commissioner himself had come up from bis cffice at the sound of the horn, and asked for the particulars.

When he had heard them, he turned to the agent of the Fall River boats and said, " Qive this fellow a passage, including meals, and charge it to me."
"I will charge it to myself." said the agent, and he took the joung Pole by the arm and led him away.

## The "St. Catherine's Well."

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## Ministers and Churches.

 Ottawa.Mr. T. Duncan Patton of Calcutia, India, has been secured as secretary of Ottawa Y.M.C.A. in succession to Secrelary R. J Farrell. He will enter upon bis duties next June.
The Westminter guild of Stewarton Presbyerian church enjoyed a rich treat on Monday evening in the shape of a lecture by Dr. J. Seen by the physician.
Rev. A. G. Cameron of this city, formerly of Vars, Ont., conducted the services at St. John's church, Brockville, on Sunday, in the absence of Rev. Dos. Strachan, B.A., who preached at he anniversary services of Erskine church
Rev J.W. H. Milne gave a very interesting and enjoyable address on Tennyson's "Idylls of the King to the members of the young People's Arsociation of Knox church, in the Sunday School Hall, Monday evening. Mr. Stuart S. M. Diarmid occupied the chair.

Rev. J. W. H. Milne in the course of his serRon at the Glebe churchlast Sunday evening on - Indifference," referred to the city merchants crossing the river and playing golf on Sunday and ther by desecrating the Sabbsth Day, and to people in bigh places treating with disdain the sanctity of the Lord's Day.

The minister and members of Erskine church are to be congratulated on the very successful anniversary services held last Sunday, the ser mons morning and evening, by Rev. D. Strachan, of Brockville, were most appropriate and
greatly appreciated; while Rev Mr. Mcliroy s greatly appreciated; while Rev Mr. Mcliroys Jonathan conveyed lessons that will long be remembered by the young people.
The Young People's Missionary society of St. Andrew's church has arranged for the following monthly entertainments to be held during the winter: January, Through Switzerland (illustrated), Dr. An:i; An Evening with Dickens, Mr.A. S. Williamson. February, Conposition of Pistures (illustrated), Dr. Saunders. March, Lecture on Color (illustrated) Dr. S. B. Sinclair: Francis Parkman, Mr. W. L.. McKenzie King. April, At Home in clunch parlors.

The presbyterian ministerial association met on Monday morning in St. Andrew's Church parlors, and, atter the discussion of Rev. D. M. McLeod'spaper on "Ol.I Testament Criticism, and the Christian Church," adjourned until the second Monday in January. Those present were: Revs. J. W. H. Mhine, president; D. M. McLeod, secretary ; Dr. Armstrong, Dr. Ramsay, A. S. Ross, and A. E. Mitchell.

## Northern

At the morning service at Knos Church, Sundridge, last Sabbath the Rev. J. Becket referred in feeling terms to the death of the late Principal Caven of Knox College, Toronto. Mr. cipan Cats was one the Principal's first students and always held him in high esteem and veneration.

Dr. H. M. Ami, of the Geological Survey, gave a very interesting and instructive talk last waek in Bethany church, Hintonburgh. under the auspices of the Young Men's club. He took as a subject, "Some Points of Interest Around Ottawa," and his lecture was illustrated by numerous lime light views from photographs taken in this vicinity. Dr. Ami dwelt largely t.pon the keological features of the various rocks, sandsits, dhas, etce, thrown on the canvas, and the story of their origin and formation millions of vears before man was on the earth, proved to be of absorbing interest and a revelation to the majority of the audience. Dr. Ami addressed himself particularly to the younger etement and kained their undivided attention. He had seveal specimens of fossilized fish, rocks from glacial deposits, shells taken from the earth where once the sea had rested, and other interesting curios. The stereoptican apparatur was operated by W. J. Kissick, and the views were beautifully clear and steady. There was no formal vote of thanks, but at the conclusion of the address the unanimous and hearty applause gave dress the unanimous and hearty apptatence of the fact that Dr. Ami's entertaining evidence of the fact that Dr. Amis entertain'ng Rev. R. Eadie presided and spoke briefly.
The Rev. John W. McMillan and bride were given a warm welcome by the congregation of St. Andrew's Church on their arrival in Winni peg. A beautiful and costly cabinet of silver $\mathrm{TH}_{\mathrm{Z}}$ also prosented

Rev. E. A. Wicher, of this city has received call to St. Stepheri's Pre by terian church, St. John, N. B.
Knox College is in mourning. The death of Proncipal Caver has cant the deepest gloom over the students, who until a few days before the end came sat in his class room. Out of respect to his memory the annual at-home of the students has b.en cancelled and a resolution was passed that no representative of Knox College atterd any social function during the year.
Tumperary appointments have toen made by the Board of Management of Knox College to fiil the vacancies occasioned by the death of Rev. Principal Casen. Lectures in New Testament introduction and theology, which were formerly tau, ht by Principat Caven, will be delivered by the Rev. Principal Sheraton, of Wycliffe College. Classes in New Testament Greek translation and exegesir will be conducted by the Rev. J.D. Cunningham, M.A., who was recently graduat ed from the college, and has been assistant to the Rev. Dr. Fletcher of Hamilton.

Rev. Dr. MacLaren, senior protessor of Knox College, will perform temporarily the functions of principal of that institution. This was the decision of the senate of the college at the meeting held on Tbursday to deal with business arising as a result of the death of Principal Casen. Prof. McLaren will fill the office until the General Assembly of the presbyterian church appoints a successor to Dr. Caven. This it the meantime the atines pincipal will be an ex-flicion Toronto ex-oficio member of the Cniversity of Coronto

Rev. Dr. Milligan in St. Andrew's Church last Sunday evening paid eloquent tribute to the character of the late Principal Caven, such as only an intimate friendship of over thirty years coul. inspire. From the words of Isaiah, "I lay in Zion, for a foundation, a precions corner stone; he that believeth shall not make haste," he drew his theme that the man who believed would not becone unduly alarmed over new things, but bece stability, growth and love of unity. Tte late principal was a man af great constancy of haracter. He was very quick at seeing into a question, but his mind was too analytical to get that in a day. It became a second nature with him, and for this renson he was always growing as the years rolled on. He was a remarkably painstaking student, and became a man of thoroughly assimilated and varied learning. He was rentle and patient with men because he had been through the throes of difficulties and was hopeful of others. A great deal was snid about his not being brave, and not initiating things, but while sone must strike out, there was need while some one mus who could cosmand confid ed tor a leader one who could, also $a$ strony ence. He had a personal and also a strong coective conscience, and used very great caution in impressing principies upon othersin. M-lligan avoid disputes. In concluding Dr. M-Higan said: "He honored men as being in the image of their Maker, and when dealing with principles never said a harsb word. For the same reason he was a model of courtesy in church courts. His very presence gave dignity to the proceed ings, and he was deferential and respectult to all. With this deference he was possessed of the quaintest humor and was one of the most genial quam. He would have made one of the great of jur. He wors, and his character was uni que. It was a privilege to bave known him.

## Montreal.

At the meeting of prominent citizens yesterday afternoon in the interests of the Alexander Hos pital for contagious diseases, Mr. James Ross contributed to the fund $\$ 25,000$, which now stands at $\$ 62,500$.
The death is announced of Mr. Alex MacPher son, a native of Lancaster, Ontario, but for many years a prominent citizen of Montreal, and greatIy respected in church and business circles, Mr. MacPherson was an elder of St. Paul's church.
Notwithstanding the intense cold of Sunday morning, the commanion service in the Presby terian Church, Montreal Annex, was the largest in the bistory of the congregation. There were twenty-five new members added to the list, eleven of them by profession of faith from among the younger members of the congregation, fourteen by certificate from other congregations, some from Toronto, some trom North Bay, some from the United States, and others from Scotland.

The choir of Taylor Presbyterian Church gave an interesting entertainment to the people of the East End on Friday evening last. Mr. George Wilson, choirmaster, has been busy for the past couple of months training the choir in choruser, and the Cantata Ariadne, and their ane work or. So successtul in every respect was the concert that Mr. Wilson has been asked to give another such entertainment at an early day.

The induction of the Rev G. S. Kinnnear, into the pastorate of St. Mark's Church. took place last Monday evening. The Rev. Mr. Clarke, t.ae new pastor of Melville Church, Westmount, preached: the Rev. James Fleck adJresed the minister, and the Rev. J. L. George addre. sed the congregation. St. Mark's Church has been without a settled pastor for over three years, and the friends of the church now hope that a prosperous era is opening up.

## Northera Ontario.

Next meeting of Owen Sound Presbytery will be held at Thombury on the 27 th Dec. at 1.39 p.m.

Rev. Alex. Shepherd, of Tarbert, is called to Marksdale, salary $\$ 775$, manse, and two weeks holidays
The next meeting of Bruce Presbytery will be held at Paisley on the first Tuesday of March, at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
Rev. J. R. Brown, of Burgoyne, lias been elected moderator of Bruce Presbytery for the ensuing six months.
Lion's Head and Lindsay at request of the people are constituted into one seif-sustaining Mr. Acheson, of Wiarton, will moderate in a call to a minister as soon as convenient.
Mr. W. K. Barton accepts the call to Thornbury and his induction by Owen Sound Preshy tery was fixed for 27 th Dec. when Mr. Eastman will preside. Mr. Harper will preach; Dr. Fraser to address the minister ; and Mr. Eastman the people
In Nottnwa the firt of a series of "At Homes" hav been held at the home of Mrs. Scott. These entertainments are arranged by the "willing talent workers," and are designed to bring together and entertain the young people of the congregation.
The congregations of North Brant, West Bentinck and Crawford, were congratulated by the Presbytery of Bruce on having completely wiped out all debt on their church property, and evidences of proxperity under their present pastor

Owen Sound Presbytery makes the following nominations to vacant chairs in Montreal Preshyterian College:-Rev. D.M.Ramssy, D. D., Oid Testament Eiterature and Exegesis History Rev. R. Johnston, D. D., Practical Theology.

Rev. Mr. McLaren was appointed by Owen Sound Presbytery ordained missionary for a term of two years in Desboro Ere subject to approval of the H. M. Committee. Rev. Mr. Aitchesen was appointed convenor of the Presbytery's committice on Young People's Societies. In accordance with notification from the board of management of Montreal College, Rev. Donald McKenzie of Tcronto was nominated by ald McKenzie of Tcronto was nominated by Bruce Presbytery for the chair of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis; Kev. Dr. Church History, and Kev, E. A. McKenzie of St. Matthews', Montreal to the chair of Practical Theology.

Owen Sound Presbytery krants leave to the congregation of Division street congregation, Owen Sound, to mortgage their property to the extent of $\$ 6,000$ for the new Sabbath school room. The Presbytery alvo conveyed their congratulations to the session and congregation of Division st., church tor baving provided such a commodious and convenient Sunday scheol room tor the furtierance of that important part of the churelis work, a provision so often neglected by congregations.
At the last meeting of Bruce Presbytery. Rev. Dr. M. Laren, Field secretary of Home missions addressed the court on certatn pliases of the work in the West, pointing out very clearly the condition of many districts in which foreigners of various nationalities are settled in large groups and show that the work of the church in seeking to promote the spiritual and moral interests of
these people lies at the very foundation of the welfare of the nation.

IIr. Acheson reported to Owen Sound Presby tery that steps had been taken by Keady and Peabody congregation to raise the salary of their minister to the proposed minimum of \$8oo. The Presbytery received the report, thanked Mr . Acheson for his diligence, and resolved to Mr. Acheson for lis diligence, and expression of its bearty appreciation of the reacrous way in warty apprectation of they had udertaken to aid the General which they had fotsard movement in the mainAsembly in its mintry.
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## Eastern Ontario.

Rev. D. J. Mclean, of Aruprior, i, recovering from his recent injuries.
Rev. Currie, of Almonte, took the preparatery service in St. Andrews church, Pakenhan, last Friday evening.
The St. Andrews Sunday school, Williamstown is making claborate arrangements for a social and Christmas tree on the 2 zrd Dec.
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed in the Alexandria church on Sunday, 18 th inst. Preparatory service will be held on the 16 th .
On last Tuesday Rev. Robert Harkness, Ph. D.. of Cornwall, delivered an address in the W.F.M.S.

The Russell Leader says: Rev. S. A. Woods, of Metcalfe, occupied the pulpit in the Presby* terian church bere on Sunday and preached very eloquent sermons at morning and evening services.
On Tuesday evening of last week, the choir of St. Andrew's church, Almonte, enjoyed a of St. Andrews
drive to the home of Mr. Andrew Cochrane, drive to the home of Mr. Andrek eleasantly and hos-
Ramsay, where they were ple pitably entertained.

On the and inst, a namber of the Finch congregation called at the manse and presented Mrs. McVicar with a "Well-ficd purse wite is a Mistress of the Manse the pastors wite is a great favo
gregation.

Rev. J. A. Wilson, the new minister of St Andrew's church, Hamilton, was presented on Monday evening with a gold-mounted fountain pen by the members of St. Paul's and St. Andrews sough.
Knox church, Scarboro', was last year renovated at a cost of $\$ 1,600$, and a new school room has been added at a cost of $\$ 2,500$. The special services on Sunday and Monday last in connection with the opening of the school were an unqualified success.

The anniversasy services in connection with St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Franktown will be held on the 8 th inst, when Prot. McNaughton, of Queen's is to preach. A social will be held the formiag evenimg when the local served Piof. McNaughton and the local clergyman will deliver addresses.
At a meeting of the ladies of St. John's church Cornwall a society was orkanized by Mrs. Duncan of Toronto, the object of which is the furtherance of Home Missions in Canada. The officers elected are as follows : President, Mrs. (Rev.) N. H. M.Gillivray; ist Vice-President, Mrs. E. H. Liddell: 2nd Vice-President, Miss O. Warriakton; Secretary, Miss H. L. Warrington; Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Harkness.

There was a large attendance at the annual meeting of the French St. Luke's branch of the W. F M. Society, when the fore lowing officers were clected for 1905 :-
President, Mrs. (Rev.) D. MacVicar; VicePresident, Mrs. (Rev.) D. MacVicar; VicePresident, Miss Grace Hamilton; Secretary ;
Mrs. D. P. McKinnon; Treasurer, Mrs. A. F. Mrs. D. P. Mckinnon; Treasurer, Mrs. A. F. Dey. The financial report for the past year shows that there is a balance of over $\$ 100$ in the treasurer's hands, and that the society is in a flourishing condition

The Reporter says: Rev. Mr. Whitelaw of Omemee, preached in the Millbrook church on Omemee, preacheding last, morning and evening and on both Sunday last, mornarnest and eloquent discourses. Mr. Whitelaw is one of the ablest young men Mr . Whitelaw in on fact has few superiors in the Presbytery and in fact has few superiors in the province as a clear, forceful and graceful speaker. His evening subject was on behalf of the W. F. missionsiand he presented the necessities of the case with much earnestness and power.

Last week the recently organized Ladies' Aid in connection with the First charch, Brockville, gave the second of a series of socials it is proposed to hold during the winter months. There was a very good attendance anda was spent. enjoyable and profitable evening worman Maccod, made a capital chairman, and after a short opening address introduced an attractive program.
Shortly atter service had commenced on Sunday yesterday morning in the Hawkestury Church fire broke out beneath the floor. The worshippersimmediately withdrew and gave the alarm. The fire brigade, upon its arrivat, succeeded in keeping the fire from do ng much damage to the upper part of the building. The damage by fire to the floor is considerable. A good deal of damage has been done by water alvo. The origin of the fire is unknown.

## Western Ontario.

Guelph Presbytery will meet on $17^{\text {th }}$ January instead of toth, as previously announced in other columns.

Rew. S. O. Nixon, of Ayr, has been assisting Rev.A.J. Mann, of Eramosa, in special services for a few days.

The next regular meeting of London Presbytery will be held at St. Thomas on the first Tuesday of March.

The lecture on the Yukon, in Thamesford church on the 12 th inst. by Rev. Ross, of church on the 12 th ins
Guelph, was a rich treat.

The Rev. R. G. MacBeth, of Paris, visited Berlin last week and addressed the annual meeting of the Lord's Day Alliance.
Mrs. J. N. Scott has been appointed organist of Westminster church, Mount Forest, to succeed Mr. H. H. McDougall, who had resigned.
Last Monday evening Rev. Tolmie, of Windnor, lectured in the First church, Chatham, on ". Travel, in the Holy Land," to a large and delighted audience.
The induction of Rev. John Bradford, formerly of Blytheswood, into the pastoral charge of Belmore and Mclatosh, took place on 8 th inst.

It the anniversary services in West Flamboro At the anniversary services of Burlington church, Rev. D. Anderson moruing and evenpreached most appropriate!y,

The cantata which is being rehearsed by the children of Embro Knox church Sunday shool for their Christmas festival is entitled "Santa Claus and the Star Queen." The cantata will be gi
Rev. John Little, of Holstein, conducted an* niversary services at Woodland inst Sabbath. The annual tea meeting was held on Monday evening, when interesting address
by visiting ministers and others.
Rev. Thos. Nixon, formerly of Smiths Falls, bas been called to Hyde Park, Komoka and West London, and bis induction will take place at Hyde Park on 20 th inst. when Mr. Drummond will preside; Rev. Dr. Ross to preach the will preside: Rev. Dr. Requss to adivray to address the people.
At London Presbytery Dr. McCrae reported or the committee on the following namies as professors of Montreal Presbyterian College. For the chair of apologetics, Rev. John Sharp, M.A.; for practical theology, Rev, Robt. Johnston, D.D., of Montreal; for Old Tertament ston, D. D., of exature and esis, Rev. Donald McKenzie, B.A., B. D.,formerly of Orangeville.

The third anniversary of Alexandra church, Brantford, last Sunday week was observed when Rev. S. O. Nixon of Ayr occupied the pulpit at both services preaching in the morning on "Move Forward" and in the evening on "Wisdom" The discourses were earnest and inspi ing. About $\$ 200$ was raised to pay off the expense connected with recent improvements in the heating of the church.

Rev. Principal Gordon appeared before the London Presbytery at its recent meeting in the interest of Queen's University, when it was agreed to indorse the endeavor made to place the institution on a safer financial basis and cordially commends the appeal made to the liberality of the congregations and individuals within the bounds. The principal was also thanked for his able and lucid address. In this connection a strong committee was afterwards named by the moderator.

The Presbyterian church, Doon, was opened for Divine service on Christmas Day 50 years ago. The fittieth annivarsary will therefore be celebrated by special services, on Sabbath the 18th inst., when Rev. Dr. Dickson, of Galt, will preach at $2.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and on Monday evening will preach at $2.30 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m}$. and speeches will be deliby a tea meeting, when speeches will C. E. vered by Revs. Dr. Dickson, of Galt,
Stafford, of Preston, and the pastor of the church.

Rev. W I. Clark read a very interesting letter to the congregation of the First church, London, at the prayer meeting last week. It was dated April 20, 1833, and was written by the Rev, William Proudtoot, the founder of the church and a Presbyterian pioneer to his brother in Scotland. Dr. Proudfoot had his desin Canada for only eight months, and country, eription of the people, the Mr. Clark borrowed etc., was very Mrs. Vincent, who is a grandthe letter from Mrs. Vincent, w
danghter of the honored divine.
danghter of the honored divine. A bazar is being London, the proceeds from which will go to a fund now being raised for the purpose of erecting a new church building, the a purpose of erengrestion having outgrown its present quarters. Eight years ago the congregation of lers. Eight years ago Cf This has now grown to about 125 . The of 20 . The buiding is an old school house. The lot present buking on whil is very large one. There will be ion, and is and plenty of room to erect a modern church and
leave the present building to be used as a school room and lecture ha! 1

Notes on Young People's Societies.
It may not be generally known that Presbyterian Christian Endeavor Societies have made kood progress in Trinidad. Recently 450 booklets containing Prayer Meeting Topicsand Daily Readings were forwarded by me for the use of Young reople's Societies in that interesting island.

Societies have lately been formed at Mayfield in the Preshytery of Orangeville, and at Wrexeter in the presbytery of Maitland. Ont., which Endeavor Soctety in Mcers, has been reorganiz. was dername presidency of N. K. McCrimmon, ed under the Presidency of Nopeful.
and the outlook is now most hoper
In connection with Chalmers Church, Woodstock there are two flourishing Bible Study stock there are these is located in the city and the other in the country. The average attendance at cach is abont sixty. The coursestudied is "The lile of Cbrist." as outlined by our committee. It means much to a congregation when more than a bundred of its young people are systematiealiy studying the word of God.
Rev. Messrs. H. W. Reade, and D. R. Drumnond of St. Thomaswho have had charge of the work of organization during the past three years have issued two circulars bearing upon their department, one of these is addressed to Presbytery convenor ; the other to Sessions. It is to be hoped that the lattor will receive, as it deserves, the most careful and prayerful attention of Sessions. Pastors who gave their impressions, in the reports of last year, regarding the work of societies, spoke in terms of the highest praise of societion the young people are doing, and of the influence they are exerting. But there must the influence they are exerting. But in which be still nearly 1,200 congregations in wom for there are no societies. Surely there is room for improvement ; and if a chage or the better to be effected, it must be brought about largely by ministers and elders. Messrs, Reade and Drummond very properly say, "The spirit of our day is calling tor systematized effort in every field. Sister churches are responding on every hand. It we are to hold our young people and do by them the fair thing we must not fail in this matter of organization.
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## Health and Home Hints <br> A Christmas Luncheon.

By K. E. M.
Desiring to entertain half a dozen friends at luncheon last Christmas I cast about to provide a repast, which, though tempting and palatable, would not belie its name and rob my guest; of their appetite for the elaborate Christmas dinner of which they were to partake later in the day in another home. I decided upon the following menu

# Fruit relish 

Cranberry jelly Cold Slaw Celery Potato balls
Chicken salad
Olives

## Coffee

Cheese straws
The fruit relish, which 1 substatuted for the usual cup of bouillon, proved an acceptable surprise to my guests. To make it, I pulped eight fine oranges, taking care to leave the shells intact, chopped six bananas small, turned all together, added the contents of a small can of grated pineapple, the juice of two lemons, a glass of sherry, and sugar to sweeten slightly. The orange shells were washed and drained, then utilized for serving cups for the fruit mixture. On the top of each when filled, I placed the meat of an English walnut.

Fried oysters have the name of being unwholesome, but it is not the fault of the toothsome dish but of the usual method of preparation. They must be immersed in smoking hot fat, so that the entire surface is instantly seared and the absorption of the fat prevented, Indeed food fried in this manner may be lifted at once from the fat to a serving napkin. A frying basket, though not a necessity is a great help. My fried oysters came from their bath of hot fat beautifully browned, crisp and free from grease, and when dished and garnished with fringed celery, they were not only good to eat, but good to look at too, which is a feature not to be slightly valued. the dish of slaw served with the oysters was made of firm white cabbage, shredded very fine on a slaw cutter and dressed simply with vinegar, salt, pepper, and a little brown sugar, and constituted a wholesome and appetizing relish. Epicurean taste rejects a rich salad with fried oysters. Just before taking the cramberty jeily off the fire, I stirred into it a teaspoon of dissolved gelatine, I then turned the mixture into after dinner coffee cups and set away in a cold place to congeal. When needed I unmolded and arranged for individual serv-

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ing, placing each mold of jelly on a cr spd tettuce leaf. The tiny mound of red on its bed of green was very pretty.
All cooks know how to tnake potato balls of some sort, but all do not know my way, which is I think, an excellent one. First of all, the potatoes must be without spot or
blemish ; then they must be washed clean after which they are plunged into boiling water to cover well and cook until the skin shows signs of breaking, when they are at once taken out of the water, exposed to a current of air for a moment, which does wonders toward making them mealy, then peeled, mashed beaten till light, seasoned with cream, salt and white pepper, shaped into balls, dipped into beaten eggs, rolled in bread crumbs and fry in deep fat. The moment the balls are a golden brown color, the frying basket is lifted out of the fat and the balls transferred into a hot dish and served at once. They will be of feathery lightness.

Every cook has her own tried and tested receipt for making chicken salad, so it is unnecessary to give mine. The way I served the salad on that occasion was, however, an inspiration of my own, so I think, worth tell. ing about. The day before Christmas I made a nicely colored and well flavored tomato jelly, using canned tomatoes for the purpose, When it was ready to come off the fire, I turned the required number of small tumblers, first rinsing them in cold water, upside down in salad saucers. Between the edge of the saucers and the tumblers I poured jelly to the depth of one half inch, taking care to have it even, then stood all in a cool place to become firm. At serving time the tumblers wers litted out, and in their places I heaped a helping of salad. Into the top of each mound I pressed a pinola. The result of the combination was vety effective, and elicited much praise from my guests. The choicest pieces of china, crystal and silver the house boasts were called into requisition and did much toward imfarting a dainty and festive air to the table. -Good Housekeeping.

Thibet has now a Christian newspaper. The Moravian Missionary Society is the pioneer in this matter, having just started a month'y religious paper, printed in the Thibetan script, the same characters that are used by the Lamas, and in both Budhist and Crristian books. The gaies that have for so lo $g$ shut in the last of the world's closed nations are slowly creaking open, and among the first to enter are the missionaries of the cross.

The New York Tiwes recently indulged in some gentle raillery at the poor literary laste of John Rockefeller, who had expressed his admiration for the "beautiful little lines" beginning: "There is 80 much bad in the best of us." "Our own regard for poetry of that sort," said The Times, "is not especially high." It now turns out that the lines were written by a man named Robert Louis Stevenson.

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