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—REV. F. H. BRALD, of Canada, in another part of this paper, raises a question in reference to Associations and District Meetings which, in our opinion, is worth considering. We have not space in this issue for any discussion of the subject, but we think a good deal may be said in favor of the view which Bro. Berald advances.

—THE value of the X rays as a hand-maid to surgery continues to be demonstrated. A London paper cites the following case in point. A son of Gen. Maurice, a subaltern home from India on leave, was thrown from his horse while hunting and injured his arm. The injured limb was so swollen that accurate diagnosis was impossible, but by the help of the Roentgen photography it was demonstrated that there was only a simple dislocation, instead of the dreaded compound fracture. Gen. Maurice is now warmly advocating the equipment of every hospital with the Roentgen apparatus.

—JAPAN with her enterprising and intelligent people, their aptitude for new things and her other natural advantages, is likely to become a successful competitor with European nations in the production of many lines of manufactured goods. Late advices from that country say that the Japanese papers are inciting their people to develop the cotton weaving industry in competition with the English. They point out that, with plenty of coal and with cheap skilled labor, Japan, even though obliged to buy her looms abroad, should soon be able to develop into an important cotton weaving country. At present Japan has to import great quantities of cotton goods from England.

—HAROLD FROBERG, the London correspondent of the New York Times, gives credence to a report that Great Britain and Germany have arrived at an understanding in regard to the partition of Eastern Africa. According to this report, Germany will buy the Italian possessions on the Red Sea and assume Italy's claims to Abyssinia; England will conquer the Sudan for Egypt, and Germany will also withdraw its opposition to England's acquisition of that strip of territory on the eastern end of the Congo Free State needed to fill the gap in the English line from Egypt to Cape Colony. This accords with Salisbury's definite admission that his purpose is the complete conquest of the Sudan.

—THE Montreal Witness intimates that the conditions connected with Mr. W. C. McDonald's gift of \$500,000 to McGill University, announced some months ago, have been met and the receipt of the money is assured. The conditions attached to the \$500,000 of the half million, \$150,000 having been paid into the treasury of the University some time ago. A great part of the sum now secured will be appropriated, it is said, to the erection of a chemical building. The structure will be imposing, and as regards equipment it will be superior to any similar building on this continent. Mr. McDonald, with two members of the McGill Faculty, are now making visits to the great universities of the United States, gathering ideas as to the construction, etc., of the building.

—EXCAVATIONS have been in progress at Silchester, England, for several years past and about one half of the ancient city has been explored. The section in which the work of the excavator has been prosecuted is found to have been occupied by dyers chiefly. In connection with the ruins of two large houses mosaic floors were found, also a small chapel containing the base of a shrine for the household gods. Among the discoveries was a part of a force-pump, believed to be the first example of Roman hydraulic machinery discovered in Britain. The most beautiful discovery is a small pillar-moulded bowl of deep sapphire blue, streaked with white and yellow spots, which fortunately has been perfectly restored. Very interesting are the trinkets—bangles, rings, safety pins, tweezers, keys, etc., also a number of coins from Hadrian to Magnentius, A.D. 117 to 353.

—THE announcement of Dr. W. S. McKenzie's death, though it was generally received without surprise, could not but awaken tender memories and a feeling of personal bereavement in the hearts of many in these provinces with whom he had formerly been associated in social relations and in Christian fellowship and work. Dr. McKenzie was a man worthy of the trust and the high esteem with which he was honored by his brethren. A man of vigorous intellect, of liberal culture, of kindly and generous disposition, loyal to the truth, an able preacher, a vigorous writer, with poetic faculty which he delighted to employ in the

praise of God,—he was one in whom we Maritime Baptists have felt a pardonable pride and for whom we have reason to feel grateful. The fitting tribute to the worth of our departed brother which appears in another column, from the pen of Dr. Steele, of Amherst, makes it unnecessary for us to say more here except to express our Christian sympathy with Mrs. McKenzie and the other members of the family so sadly bereaved. In this expression we know that many friends of Dr. McKenzie and his family, in St. John and other parts of these provinces, will desire sincerely to unite.

—THE Jewish Chronicle thinks that events connected with the Car's coronation indicate that the Jews of Russia have some ground for hope. It says: "The invitation graciously extended to three Jewish rabbis to represent their congregation at the coronation is a significant illustration of the liberal tendencies of the new reign. The complacency, we believe, unprecedented. The importance of it can only be properly estimated by those who know the views which have hitherto prevailed in the highest Russian circles. . . . The Car is a young man open to new impressions, and it is scarcely likely that the necessities of the New Russia will have to meet in his mind any of those prejudices which an older generation has developed under different conditions. The policy of his government in this respect interests, not only his own Jewish subjects, but the Jews of the world. The centre of gravity of Jewry is in his dominions, and it depends very much upon him that form the Judaism of the future will take."

—ALLUDING to the theological students who have finished their course and have been within the last few weeks the recipients of much sound advice from their teachers, the Watchman remarks: "We do not wish to add to their burden but there is one counsel that may not have been sufficiently impressed, and that is that it will be wise for them to assume that they are not entitled to receive anything from the hands of their fellowmen because they have graduated from a theological seminary and have been ordained by a council. The question mark of ministers today is not from what school they graduated, but what they can do. Can they preach? Can they influence men? Can they administer the church? Can they represent Christ? The world has very little use for diplomas. Some of the most conspicuous failures with which we are acquainted have been men with all the credentials, not even omitting the two D's, but they did not know how to do the things they were supposed to do."

—THE Methodist Conference of Nova Scotia and P. E. Island has been in session in St. John during the past week. Many of the pulpits of other denominations were supplied on Sunday last by ministers in attendance at the Conference. Rev. Dr. Carman, of Ontario, General Superintendent of the Dominion Conference, was present. His sermons and addresses were characterized by his customary boldness and forcefulness of speech. In an address before the Conference on Thursday, dealing with the mission work of the church in the Northwest, Dr. Carman strongly expressed his opposition to any interference with Manitoba in the matter of her public school legislation. "It has no objection to separate schools, provided the people who wanted them paid for them and controlled them, but he did object to the machinery of the state being employed in connection therewith in any form whatever. There would never be peace in this country on any other basis but perfect equality under the law."

—THE New York Evangelist thinks that the course being pursued by the International Sunday School Association calls for criticism. The Association, the Evangelist says, the churches have trusted implicitly as standing for the best possible Sunday school instruction. "They have used its lessons and have given it almost exclusive charge of the Biblical instruction of the young, in perfect faith that it would afford them the best means of Bible study. The conspicuous failure, however, to discuss systems of Bible study in any recent triennial convention, combined with the want welcome, or, rather, positive disfavour, with which the bare suggestion of anything different from the uniform lesson was received at the meeting in St. Louis three years ago, is likely to shake this confidence very seriously. There are (1) that it stands for the best possible Sunday school instruction, whatever that would be; (2) that it stands for the uniform lesson because it believes that to be the best; and (3) that it stands for the uniform lesson, whether it is best or not. If the first of these ideas is the controlling one, the convention can hardly fail to give heavy weight

to our suggestion that it make exhaustive inquiry as to what the best available system of Bible study really is, and take such action as may be necessary for its adoption."

—HOR. WILLIAM MCKINLEY, of Ohio, is the Republican candidate for the presidency, having received the nomination of his party at the St. Louis convention last week on the first ballot. The other candidates nominated were Read, of Maine, Morton, of New York, Quay, of Pennsylvania, and Allison of Iowa. The result of the ballot was for McKinley, 661; Read, 84; Morton, 68; Quay, 61; Allison, 35. The candidate chosen for vice-president is Colonel Hobart, of New Jersey. The platform adopted by the convention declares that the existing gold standard should be maintained, opposes free coinage of silver, pledges protection to American industries, favors reciprocity and just retaliation, endorses the Monroe doctrine, extension of civil service, opposes the use of money for sectarian purposes, favors liberal pensions and restrictions on immigration. On "the financial plank" of the platform, a minority offered the following amendment: "The Republican party authorizes the use of both gold and silver as equal standard money and pledges its power to secure the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at our mints at the rate of 16 to 1." This amendment was rejected and the financial plank was adopted by a majority of about 3 to 1. Five silver delegates to the number of 75 or 80 withdrew from the convention, under protest and declaring that they would not endorse the nomination. The bolt in the party is, however, not serious enough probably to endanger the election of the party's candidate. It does not appear probable that the Democrats will develop any great strength for the contest and McKinley's election may be regarded as a foregone conclusion.

The Late W. S. MacKenzie, D. D.

The demise of Dr. MacKenzie, of the Missionary Union staff in Boston, is a distinct loss to the home work of Foreign Missions among the Baptists of New England. Many friends in the Maritimes will mourn his too early removal. Bro. M. was a bluenose and never forgot it. He was always at home among us, and we always welcomed him to our pulpits and homes. His unpretentious manner, his calmness, his brilliant parts came out in his poetical effusions, translations of Latin hymns, as well as in his admirable prose. He was naturally a writer, and he wrote for the Maritimes every week contributing some article of worth either upon his own special work, or on some general religious topic. He had a penchant for hammering at shams, and was never happier than when denouncing some man or some mania in the religious world. He could upturn the veil of satire with good effect; but without there was a broad humor that amused friend and foe.

Mr. M. was a fine specimen of the Christian—minus—fads. His religion was of the positive order. He knew what and whom he believed; and loved to preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified. His life was a study in earnestness and devotion to his chosen work of propagating germinal missionary ideas. This was the labor of his life. Pastor, editor, general literary man, all were merged for the best quarter of a century in the indefatigable servant, late and early, endeavoring to impress the people with the absolute need of obeying the Savior's command to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

My dear friend has told me how he was converted under the ministry of our mutual friend, the late Dr. S. T. Rand at Liverpool, N. S. His father, formerly of the Royal Navy and an old "bluenose" man, who left that ship after the victory over the "Chesapeake", had little sympathy with the Baptists; and so the son left home in the early Sunday morning, and by under a boat at the shore until the time for baptizing came. He afterwards went to Horton Academy and there with (Sir) Charles Tupper, (Dr.) George Armstrong, (Dr.) deBolis, and other kindred spirits, made his first attempt to mount the rugged steep. Afterwards he entered Harvard, and was a class mate and life long friend of Phillips Brooks, *par nobis fratrum*.

Being in Boston last year at this time, he told me of his wife's illness, and how he was nursing her, but she was raised up to wait on him through the long and severe illness, which has terminated fatally. Many of our readers will unite in tendering their sympathies to Mrs. MacKenzie and family in the removal from their side of one of the best of husbands and fathers. D. A. STEELE.
Amherst, Jan. 18, '96.

PERSONAL.

Rev. H. G. Estabrook has been formally welcomed as pastor of the Pentecostal church. Bro. Estabrook is a man of sterling qualities, and excellent results are to be expected from his ministry. Dr. Carey, of Brussels St., St. John, and Rev. W. B. Hinson, of Moncton, exchanged pulpits last Lord's Day. Mr. Hinson preaches to large congregations. He was listened to with great interest, and we hope also with great profit. The Brussels St. pastor, we may be sure, did not fall to have an appreciative audience in Moncton.

Report on Education.

Presented at N. S. Western Association by Rev. A. T. Dykesman.

A great writer has said that "man is a compound being created to fill that wide hiatus that must otherwise have remained unoccupied between the natural world and the spiritual."
Every man then, if this be true, is connected with two worlds, and should seek to do his best in the accomplishment of the highest and most work for himself, for others and for God. He should endeavor to do that which is most beneficial to himself, most helpful to humanity, and most glorifying to God. He should put himself in the way of possessing and using the greatest possible influence and power for good. Every person possesses resources, power, latent forces. He is reluctant to duty who lets any opportunity slip by unembraced, that would tend to the development of his power, and the unfolding of these latent forces. With all there should be rapid evolution of mind and character. God has endowed man with great moral and intellectual facilities which He would have employed for high and noble ends. True enlightenment and expansion is essential to the best performance of their proper functions. If man possesses latent power it should be converted into actual dynamic force. This is the aim of education. True education has to do not only with worldly business capacity but also with principles and character.

Webster says that "To educate is to lead out and train the mental powers, to inform and enlighten the understanding, to form and regulate the principles and character to prepare, and fit for any calling or business or for activity and usefulness in life." According to this definition true education has to do with disciplining the feelings, restraining the passions, inspiring true and worthy motives, instilling profound religious ideas and convictions, and inculcating a pure and Christian morality.

True education is essential. (a) To one's own enjoyment. A great philosopher when asked what good his education did him answered "It enables me to keep company with myself." It says "A wise man is never less alone than when he is alone." An educated man holds communion and fellowship with other minds and other worlds. A trained mind can see more in the works of God and man than an untrained mind. Milton in Paradise Lost says: "The mind is its own place, and in itself Can make a heaven of hell; a hell of heaven."

(b) A true education is also essential to nobility of character. A contemplation of greatness makes one great, a beholding of high and lofty things makes one high in his ideals, and lofty in his aspirations. A trained mind is capable of higher ideals and loftier aspirations than any untrained mind, and who will surely realize that high and noble aspirations do not tend to a development of moral character. "As a man thinketh so is he."

True education makes the ideals of the soul, his aspirations holy, and its goal Christlikeness. Now where can such an education as we have outlined be obtained? Where there is a school to which we can send our young and young women where the pure morality will be inculcated, where a profound religious feeling will be instilled, and where true and worthy motives will be inspired? Your committee answer unhesitatingly at Wolfville, Acadia College is a characteristically Christian school, and we are confident that it will be a school where a profound religious feeling will be instilled, and where true and worthy motives will be inspired? Your committee answer unhesitatingly at Wolfville, Acadia College is a characteristically Christian school, and we are confident that it will be a school where a profound religious feeling will be instilled, and where true and worthy motives will be inspired? 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Sabbath School.

BIBLE LESSONS.

Adapted from Peloubet's Select Notes.

THIRD QUARTER.

Lesson 1. July 5. 2 Samuel 2: 1-11.

KING DAVID OF JUDAH.

Read Chapter 1 and 2. Commit Verses 5-7.

GOLDEN TEXT.

"The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice."—Ps. 97: 1.

SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS.

SECRET.—"On the Way to the Wider Kingdom."

"Review."—It has been six months since we left our studies about David, and as we take up his history it will be wise for us to review his life up to the time of our lesson to day, in order that the important principles by which he was prepared for his life work, and the steps by which he gained it.

"The smaller kingdom" was conducted so wisely and with such excellent success that his own people were prepared for the wider kingdom and opened the way to its attainment.

"The divine and the human elements" in the experience and success of David are really the same, and are to be seen in the life of every Christian.

"The practical lessons" as applied to our own lives will naturally flow from the study if rightly pursued.

EXPLANATORY.

I. DAVID'S EARLY LIFE AND TRAINING.

He had a good inheritance. "The kindly and fatherly disposition of Boaz and the holy devotion and warm attachment of Ruth were very apparent in the character of their great-grandson."

There were no signs in his father's family that would lead us to expect such a noble and noble character as was shown in David's after life. Indeed, a large proportion of the greatest men of the world have ever known came from an ancestry in which, as in a seed, no prophet could see the germ of the bloom that sprang from it. Witness William Shakespeare, Napoleon, Abraham Lincoln, and an endless list. Herein lies hope for the young.

L. DAVID'S ANCESTRY.—When David was eighteen or twenty years old he was anointed by the prophet Samuel to be the future king of Israel. Having been faithful in his early youth, the time came when he was to be tested. He was placed in his God who chose him. His ideal was now clearly set before him. Further unfolding was yet to come. The throne was but a platform from which he could be an example, a leader, not only for his country, but for all ages.

PRACTICAL. It is a good thing for a young man to learn something early that will be his life work to do. It is good to know his ideals before him. "A man's reach should exceed his grasp, or what's heaven for?"

II. THE BATTLE WITH GOLIATH.

Another test of David's character and progress. It brought into play and tested every quality and every attainment of his past life. Without past faithfulness this victory would have been impossible. Christy would have his fierce battle with Goliath, the conqueror of his career. Every young man must fight some such battle before he fully enters upon his life work. Bunyan's Christian met Apollyon with his fiery chariot and terrible horses, and he was victorious.

IV. LIFE AT COURT.—After the victory over Goliath, David came to Saul's court. Here he had many necessary lessons to learn.

He learned to do right amid great temptations to wrong doing.

He learned to act wisely amid great difficulties.

He gained some of that courtly manner which adds luster, and power, and prestige to his stern sense of justice and duty. Every one should gain "the beauty of holiness."

4. He gained the friendship and love of Prince Jonathan.

5. He gained a knowledge of the men of the court, their strength and their weakness.

V. LIFE IN EXILE.—Seven years, B. C. 1063-1055, David was an exile; part of the time among the Philistines, and part among the fastnesses of his native land.

Hard as these seven years of exile were for David to bear, yet they were most fruitful years to him, as his "apprenticeship for the kingdom, as his school, and his teachers."

VI. THE DEATH OF SAUL AND JONATHAN.—B. C. 1055. In a battle with the Philistines invaders on the plain of Esdraelon and the slopes of Mt. Gilboa, Saul and Jonathan were slain. Three hundred gained their freedom, and Saul and his son Jonathan fell while defending their country. David wrote a beautiful elegy over them, called "The Song of the Bow" (2 Sam. 1: 18). There must have been something very attractive about Saul, in spite of his wickedness.

VII. DAVID BECOMES KING OF JUDAH.—B. C. 1055. At the time of the death of Saul on Mt. Gilboa, David was a fugitive in the southern part of the Philistine country, southwest of Hebron. He and his band had gone north with the invading Philistine army in their march against Saul. But the Philistines leaders distrusted him, and feared that he might attack Saul, and so he went back to Hebron. He found this town ravaged by Amalekite marauders who had found the south country defensesless. David immediately pursued them, overcame them, and regained possession of the immense spoil they were carrying away. It was at this juncture that news came to David of the death of Saul and Jonathan.

I. "After this," the events above described, which were the result of the death of Saul, David desired divine direction how to act in this crisis. Herein David was both wise and religious. He would not take one step that was not right. The kingdom was from God, and God would guide him into the best way of reaching it.

THE SITUATION.

"Whither shall I go?" The northern part of the kingdom was held by the Philistine invaders, and David was in no position to drive them out. A large part of the population fled across the Jordan. Saul left one son, Mephibosheth, the throne according to custom in other nations, and the great general and politician Abner, Saul's cousin and the rival of David's chief man and cousin, Job, adhered to the cause of Saul. David was compelled to join the Philistines, needed adherents in other lands could trust him. On the other hand, Judah was his own tribe, and had accepted the invading forces. "And he came to Hebron," one of the most ancient cities of the world, the central position of Hebron in the tribe of Judah, its mountainous and defensible situation, its importance as a priestly settlement and an ancient royal city, the satisfaction of the people, the combination of all these things, made it able capital for the new kingdom. In its neighborhood, moreover, David had spent considerable part of his fugitive life, and he had many supporters. (See 1 Sam. 30: 31).

2. "And his two wives" because he was intending to settle down. "Nabal's wife," his widow. (See 1 Sam. 25.)

3. "And his men." The six hundred of his chosen band, sent ahead, the "chiefs of his household." Henceforth there was to be no roaming in exile, but each one was to settle down to the duties of peace. David was planning to do this, but he was awaiting patiently the time when the larger kingdom should come to him.

4. "And the men of Judah" anointed David king. David had already been anointed privately by Samuel. But this was his formal anointment by the people. The kingdom came to him, not only by divine appointment, but by choice of the people themselves (y. 7; 1 Chron. 11: 3).

VIII. DAVID'S REIGN AT HEBRON.—B. C. 1054-1048. David took several wise measures:

1. "First." He had already, before coming to Hebron, sent messengers from the city of Gath, to the Philistines, to let them know that he was not their enemy, and that he was not their enemy, and that he was not their enemy.

2. "Second." He sent messengers to the men of Jabesh-gilead, to let them know that he was not their enemy, and that he was not their enemy, and that he was not their enemy.

3. "Third." The civil war. Saul and his sons were now in the hands of the Philistines, and a great general. For both reasons he would seek to retain the kingdom to the house of Saul. He would thus retain his position as chief, which he could not do if David were king, since in his army the place of general was already filled by Joab, David's nephew. His power would be almost supreme if "Ish-bosheth," the oldest surviving "son of Saul," became king, for he was a weak man, and a kindly spirit. "Bring him over to Mahanaim," a walled city of Gilead, east of the Jordan, in the Jabbar, near where Jacob wrestled with the angel. This was in the country of the Gilead, a fertile district, the southern part of the kingdom of Saul was at that time in possession of the Philistines, so that the kingdom could not then be set up in Palestine proper.

4. "And made him king," gradually extending his name away over the "Ashurites," members of the tribe of Asher in the northwestern part of Galilee, "Jerusalem," in the southern part, "Ephraim," in the mountains south of Galilee, and "Benjamin," still further south, on the borders of Judah. "All Israel," "Ish-bosheth's" dominions were gradually extended until they included all the kingdom of Israel as distinguished from that of Judah.

10. "Ish-bosheth" reigned two years.

The duration of Ish-bosheth's reign is probably reckoned from the time when Abner succeeded in establishing his authority over "all Israel." Five years and a half were occupied with the re-conquest of the land from the Philistines, and these two years synchronize with the last two of David's reign at Hebron. No great interval seems to have elapsed between the deaths of Abner and Ish-bosheth and David's recognition as king of Israel.

11. "Seven years and six months." All this time there was a mild civil war between the kingdoms, which increased as Abner regained control over northern Israel. This was wholly defensive on David's part; which was both right and wise. He did not try to conquer his northern brethren, which would have made unity between the sections difficult, but waited till they were ready to come to him. But at length they assembled a great army, and Abner and David's northern border, and he was compelled to meet them. It was a first attempt to settle the question of supremacy by a combat of twelve chosen men from each side, but every one of these perished at the first onset. It was like the story of the combat of the Scotch clans on the North Inch of Perth, in 1596, where thirty met on each side.

The result was told by Scott in his "Fair Maid of Perth."

"Fourth." Thus David showed wise statesmanship, and was not only becoming fit to rule over the whole kingdom, but was making known his fitness, so that in due time the whole kingdom came to him. Psalm 101 is ascribed to David, and certainly expresses his desires and aims as he took possession of his kingdom.

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

1. Note the commingling of the human and the divine in a man's life. Many necessary elements in David's success were as much beyond his control as the march of the stars through the sky.

"There's a divinity that shapes our ends, Rough-hew them how we will."

And yet all these open doors and leaders leading upward would have been of no avail had David not been prepared to use them.

2. David was chosen, not so much for the excellence of character he already possessed as for the "possibilities" of excellence to be developed by the grace of God, through his obedience. It is like the vision of the sculptor who sees the possible statue in the marble, as Michael Angelo once said of a piece of beautiful marble, cutwardly deduced and thrown one side, "I see an angel there and must get him out."

3. Life is full of tests of character. They come at every step to prove whether one is worthy to take the next higher.

4. Faithfulness in lesser things is the only way to greater things. The few talents rightly used are the way to the wider kingdom.

"The heights by great men reached and kept, Were not attained by sudden flight; But while their companions slept, They were toiling upward in the night."

5. It takes a great variety of experience to make us complete and fitted to do the greatest good. David's life was filled "with the strangest vicissitudes, swinging through an arc that embraced much if not all of human experience. Edward Irving finely says of him, 'Every angel of joy and of sorrow swept, as he passed, over the shores of David's happy and the hearts of a hundred men stirred and struggled together within the narrow confines of his single heart'."

Advice from Cato by way of Athens state that a battle has been fought between the insurgents and the Turks, and which the Turks were defeated, although both sides suffered heavy loss. The insurgents captured four guns and 300 slaves.

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RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN.

It seems probable that the long agitation over the Manitoba School question, which on some accounts is to be greatly deprecated, may at least have one good result in calling the attention of the Christian people of Canada more strongly than ever before to the profound importance of the religious education of the children.

The Roman Catholic ecclesiastics in their contention with Protestants on the School question have a great advantage in this, that they represent but one opinion as to whether or not there should be religious instruction in the public schools, as to what that instruction should be and by whom given. They know what they want and they aim for it with definite purpose.

But anyone who has given much attention to the matter will certainly have reached the conclusion that, in the present and prospective condition of things, such instruction as may be supplied through the public schools will by no means meet the proper demands for religious education on behalf of the young.

—THE announcement was made at the "Commencement" of Vassar College recently held that Mr. John D. Rockefeller will give that institution \$100,000 for a new recreation hall. The building is to be called Raymond Hall, in honor of the first president of Vassar. The college has a Faculty of twenty professors and twenty-three instructors, its students number 544 and its invested funds amount to over a million dollars.

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE NONCONFORMISTS.

Some recent utterances of Mr. Gladstone have given serious offence to men who have been his enthusiastic admirers and supporters. His letter to Cardinal Rampolla, in which the hope is expressed that the inquiry which the Pope has instituted in regard to Anglican orders might result in the recognition of their validity at Rome, has evoked not a little unfavorable and highly indignant comment in nonconformist circles.

THE NOVA SCOTIA WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

If all our summer gatherings prove as interesting and profitable as that held last week at Nictaux, the record will be an excellent one. It was more of the nature of a Convention than an Association. The list of delegates was large; the whole country side was present at most of the meetings; the reports, sermons, addresses, and even the discussions, closely resembled those of our Maritime Convention.

Nictaux entertained royally, caring for the majority of delegates at homes near the church in the grove—an historic old church, delightful for situation. Arrangements for carrying out of program were well perfected so that very little time was lost from session to session.

FRIDAY was taken up with meetings of the Association. B. Y. P. U. of these a somewhat extended report appears in Union column, on third page.

SATURDAY MORNING found delegates on hand and ready for opening session at 10 o'clock. Moderator J. H. Foshay being absent, Rev. G. R. White was elected chairman. After brief devotional exercises the following officers were duly elected: Rev. L. J. Tingley, moderator; Rev. Z. L. Fash, clerk; Rev. H. A. Giffin, assistant clerk; B. H. Parker and Jas. Daley, treasurers.

On motion Rev. E. J. Grant, Rev. D. H. Simpson, Rev. R. D. Porter, Dea. Hoop, Bro. Wm. E. Chute, Miss Blackadar, of Wayland Seminary, Miss Gardner, returned missionary to the Congo, and others were invited to seats in the association.

Pastors Saunders, Porter, Foster, and Blackadar, who had joined the association during the year, were introduced and welcomed. The reading of letters from the churches was begun and carried as far as time would permit.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON. After prayer by pastor Dykeman, 30 minutes was devoted to reading of letters. These contained facts of a most encouraging nature.

Pastor G. J. C. White presented a concise and suggestive report on Home Missions. In the discussion following fields needing special care just now, were referred to; and a plea was made for county or district missionaries. Rev. A. Cohoon reviewed at length the work of the Home Mission year just ended. The cause at Grande Ligne received general and interested attention.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. J. H. Saunders.

SATURDAY EVENING. Session opened with prayer by Rev. W. V. Higgins. The report on obitaries referred to the death of Rev. Peter Murray and Rev. I. J. Skinner, sketches of whose lives have recently appeared in our columns. Rev. R. B. Kinley presented report on temperance. The large audience present was favored with an address. Rev. J. Harry King spoke upon "Total abstinence in our churches how to obtain it?"—Rev. S. Langille

dealt with "Importance of Temperance work in our Sabbath Schools"; Rev. E. J. Grant presented "The political aspect of the temperance question."

Each speaker received close attention from an audience which completely filled the church. Pastor King inclined to the opinion that many church members were not given to total abstinence. He could not consider that either had proper place in a Christian home. Pastor Langille argued strongly for correct example and practice on the part of parents and teachers.

Rev. E. J. Grant regretted that party affiliations prevented Christian electors from united effort toward prohibition. The mass of Christians of all denominations if engaged in one common cause could wield an influence that would command respect and secure reform legislation so much to be desired.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. D. H. Simpson. Sabbath Day services were announced in large numbers, preaching stations far and near being furnished supplies. Rev. D. H. McQuarrie addressed a crowded house at Nictaux, taking for his text the words: "And he saw them toiling in rowing." It was an original, practical sermon, a helpful sermon.

In the afternoon the report on Sunday Schools was read by pastor J. H. King. Then followed addresses: "Relation of the Sabbath School to the church," Rev. A. T. Dykeman; "Relation of a Sabbath school to a home," Rev. J. Webb; "The Sabbath School teachers and his work," Rev. J. W. Tingley.

Sabbath School workers could but profit by the timely suggestions given by these brethren. Each clearly indicated the near union between the ideal church and home and the Sabbath School. It seemed an afternoon well spent.

The Missionary service of the evening hours was prefaced by devotional service conducted by pastor Thomas. It is frequently difficult for a number of successive speakers to hold the attention of an audience under such circumstances; one speaker is apt to cover the ground assigned to another, or the changing becomes tiresome. Neither of these things occurred at this service for there was general interest displayed until a late hour by another of the large gatherings that this association was noted for.

Miss Gardner, for a time a missionary on the Congo, but now an instructor in Wayland Seminary, Washington, spoke of her work in Africa and pointed clearly the promise of such work. Miss Ida Newcombe, missionary elect, referred in tender words to the homeland which she was about to sever in an effort to carry the gospel to the perishing in India. Her's was an address fitted to stimulate an interest in the work to which she has so freely consecrated her life. Knowing the missionary we will follow her work with the greater enthusiasm.

Returned missionary, Rev. W. V. Higgins, described definitely the fields now occupied by our missionaries and made clear the needs for more workers. His report is that of a man knowing the ground, and is eager to return again to his chosen work as soon as health may permit.

Statistics and plans regarding Northwest Missions were given in an earnest manner by Rev. P. B. Foster. The work at Grand Ligne was the subject of a short address by pastor H. A. Giffin. Home Missions past and present, were well cared for by Secretary Cohoon, who gave detailed proof of the progress of the work to which he is devoted.

Miss Helena Blackadar, daughter of pastor Blackadar, referred in well chosen words to the work at Wayland Seminary where she is now a teacher.

The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. T. A. Blackadar.

MONDAY was a rainy day but the attendance, especially at the morning service was large. Rev. Isaiah Wallace conducted a helpful social service at 9.30. Regular session of association opened at 9.45 with prayer by Rev. W. L. Parker.

The report on Temperance was adopted. Rev. N. M. Dunn presented the report on Denominational Literature, endorsing Baptist Union, the literature supplied by our Book Room and the MESSENGER AND VISITOR. Then followed a general discussion in which took part brethren B. S. Baker, J. H. Saunders, G. C. Crabbe, E. J. Grant, P. Whitman, Zenas L. Fash, A. J. Leadbetter, R. C. Baker, J. A. Gates, J. W. Tingley, E. C. Thomas, E. E. Locke, D. H. McQuarrie, A. Cohoon, J. Webb, J. H. King, and A. H. Chipman. Many questions concerning our Book Room, and this paper, were asked and answers given, when such was possible.

The circular letter by Rev. T. M. Munro, was read by pastor Locke and on motion adopted.

Association sermon was then delivered by Rev. B. N. Nobles. The reading of scripture was by Libemantine N. E. Harman; the prayer by Rev. P. B. Foster. Rev. J. E. furnished the text—"To him that overcometh..." The sermon was clear, forceful, adapted to encourage the Christian and the unbeliever to attempt triumph in every department of life.

MONDAY AFTERNOON. Social service was led by A. H. Chipman. Regular session opened with

prayer by Evangelist Marple. Minutes of previous session were read and approved. It was moved and seconded that association express appreciation of the sermon of the morning and request that a synopsis of it be sent to MESSENGER AND VISITOR for publication.

Fifteen minutes were given to reading of letters. Report on Systematic Benevolence was read by Rev. B. N. Nobles, and again there followed discussion in which nearly all the pastors present took part. "Tithing" was advocated, supported and criticized, and opposed. The general sense of the discussion favored more definite and generous contributions to the different enterprises which we support. It was finally resolved that party affiliations prevented Christian electors from united effort toward prohibition.

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Boston Letter.

REV. ADAM T. KEMPTON. The seventy-first anniversary exercises of Newton Theological Seminary were held June 10 and 11. They were of great interest and very largely attended. The graduating class numbered twenty-four. Three of the men were from the provinces, Revs. W. M. Simpson, George Martell and Joel Stouck. They have all done very excellent work at the Seminary and have grand prospects for usefulness in the Master's service.

Newton has had a prosperous year. The new library building has been completed and in use most of the year. It was erected at a cost of about \$65,000, most of which was given by two persons. We cover in a Scriptural way, I. e., "The best gift," some of these people of the big purse and big heart for Acadia.

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The Annapolis County Conference.

This organization met with the Baptist church at Clements Falls, May 13 and 19. On Monday evening May 16, Rev. J. A. Porter, of Lower Granville, preached from the text in Luke 10:28: "This do and thou shalt live." The sermon was a striking one, the doctrine that salvation comes not as the result of good works, but that good works are the result of salvation. An evangelistic service was then held, led by Bro. A. V. Dimock. The presence of the Master was manifest in the willing testimonies of Christians and in the concern expressed by sinners seeking Christ.

On Tuesday a consecration service was held for one hour, led by Bro. Dimock, who spoke from James 4:8: "The spirit that dwelleth in us insteth to envy—or loveth to jealousy." The service was well calculated to deepen the work of grace in the lives of Christians. After this service reports from the churches were given by the pastors and others. The substance of these reports have already appeared in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR. In the afternoon a paper was read by Rev. E. P. Goldwell, on the subject, "When our young people are converted and brought into the church, what is our next duty toward them?"

The paper made the following points impressive: 1. We are to love them. 2. We are to teach them Christian doctrine and duty. 3. We are to make use of them in prosecuting the Lord's work. This work implied a serious responsibility on the part of the church. This paper was discussed with interest. Rev. B. N. Nobles, of Bear River, then read a sermon on the "Resurrection." The resurrection was considered first as a fact. It was then considered as a mystery and discussed under two questions: How are the dead raised? and with what body do they come? A spirited discussion followed upon this paper. Rev. G. J. C. White read a paper on the preparation of a sermon, which was quite exhaustive and well received. In the evening service Rev. J. T. Eaton read a paper on church music. The following motion was unananimously passed: Resolved, That we heartily recommend Bro. A. V. Dimock to our churches in this county as an efficient and consecrated worker for the Master. We recommend that he put himself at the disposal of our churches during the next four months to labor with them as an evangelist as they may desire.

It was resolved to hold our next meeting in July with the church at Litchfield. Executive committee, pastors E. P. Goldwell, J. A. Porter, G. J. C. White and the acting pastor of Litchfield. J. W. BROWN, Sec'y.

Nictaux Falls, June 11.



PORT ELGIN CHURCH.

Our friends and brethren in the denomination will doubtless be pleased to know how we, the Port Elgin Baptist church, are prospering. It is nearly a year since our building was opened for worship and while we have not had many added to our membership yet I think that we have prospered in other respects. The interest in our prayer meetings has been kept up and on Wednesday evenings our vestry is none too large to hold our social gatherings. On May 3rd, we organized a Bible school with four forty scholars. We had a union Sabbath school, but many of us thought that it would be more profitable to us as a church to have our own school and teach our children what we believe to be the meaning of God's Word without fear of giving offence. If any of the Sabbath schools have any books to spare we can make good use of them here. We have been intending ever since the Convention last August to thank that body on behalf of our church for the liberal collection they took up (\$55.95) in aid of our Building Fund. I pray that God will doubly reward the donors. It helped us out of a financial difficulty. Not long ago, in March, we had some money to raise and I thought I would write the brethren in Ambost to help us, which they did willingly. They appeared to realize fully that it is more blessed to give than to receive. One brother gave me five dollars and gave me a letter to another brother who also gave me five dollars, and in an hour or two I had twenty-nine dollars. But our financial difficulties are not yet ended, the church property is mortgaged for one thousand dollars and the Building Committee are personally responsible for about six hundred more. We have to pay on the mortgage one hundred yearly besides the interest; in less than three months we will have to pay one hundred and sixty dollars. This is only a small sum, but it must be remembered

that there are not many of us and none of us wealthy. I am willing to confess that in building so expensive a building our zeal got the better of our judgment. It is too large for present needs but coming a prosperous town in the near future, and if we can manage to hold our own for a few years we will come out all right. I hope to see the day when we will need a larger building to hold our congregations. We are trusting in God and the denomination to help us out of our difficulties. He will never forsake those who put their trust in him. We appeal to all churches and pastors of churches for tangible sympathy.

The Rev. C. P. Wilson is our pastor and we thank God that in his goodness and love he sent him and his admirable wife to labor amongst us; they are beloved by all. God has already blessed his labors in giving him sons, and we pray that he may still be blessed. When they came here we had no organ. Sister Wilson at once organized a society and called it the Helping Hand, which meets every two weeks, at which a collection is taken. It has proved very successful and over eight dollars have been realized at a single meeting. She bought an organ for ninety dollars and by the Helping Hand and donations from personal friends has it more than half paid for, and she has paid other small bills besides; and then we must not forget our little daughter Glenn, who peddled candy every Saturday all winter through temper and sunshine, and by this means raised over eleven dollars. Sister Wilson had something to do with that also.

The N. B. Eastern Association meets here in July. We would like for all who are interested in our welfare to come and see us at that time. Brethren remember us at a throne of grace. S. TARNHOLZ.

I have always been having a voice in vindicated or provoked scruples and speak grievous in this great sea of sinners, as to carry political professing Christian righteous doing, honoring to the sea all Christian forget more wisdom. As was, over ruling pulpits and not in recovery; and not might be overheard and right might be the sisters, we too in party strife, but in love and help that moves the world and uprightness in it.

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A VALENTINE STORY.

By Sophie Swett.

They all cried—every one of the Bells, from Peggy, who was sixteen, down to Rufus, who was four and despised a cry-baby, when old Mr. Pigeon moved away. He was such a tried and trusted friend, and he was sixty, such a congenial companion. He was always ready to go fishing or coasting with the boys, or to take the girls to drive; although he was a bachelor and lived alone, he had a double carriage and the largest sleigh on Pippin Hill—because he had so large a heart, Peggy said. He knew as much about the wild things in the woods as "The Hunter's Own Book," and on a rainy day or when one had the mumps or the measles he would tell stories by the dozen—stories that were worth telling, too, for he had been "round the world and home again," and knew all there was to know about capibals and buccaners and wild men, and all such distinguished and interesting people.

It happened that the only houses on the up-top of Pippin Hill were the Bells (I suppose the Bell's house may have received that name because Papa Bell always spoke of his children as his "small fry"; anyway, that is what every one in Bloomstovr called it) and the old Pigeon house, which had belonged to this Mr. Pigeon's grandfather. The houses backed up to each other, and there was a mutual backyard fence, so, of course, it was very desirable that the neighbors should be friendly and congenial; more than this, there was a mutual apple tree. The general old "high top evening" was directly on the boundary line between the two estates, and the mutual fence had been cut in two to make space for it. Its branches were low and spreading, in spite of its high top, and they spread very luxuriantly over the Bell's smooth lawn and over Mr. Pigeon's orchard, and dropped their delicious fruit—early, the first sweet apple that there were—almost as early as if it were measured on their owner's land. The only difference was that the August sunshine lay longer upon Mr. Pigeon's side, so the first red and yellow, mellow and juicy apples dropped upon his lawn, and he toiled them up to Christine in her seat in the low crotch of the tree, the seat that he had made for her.

It was Christine who thought the most of Mr. Pigeon and of her, because they both had a twist, Christine said. She could always speak of her trouble cheerfully, even jokingly. You did not scarcely have thought that she minded it at all; it was a spinal weakness which had bowed her shoulders and twisted her head to one side. "The others didn't mind much when Christine was left out of things; they were a rough, merry set; but Mr. Pigeon had always remembered her. His twist was in one of his legs; he had to wear an uncomfortable iron boot, and walked with a queer, sideways motion.

When Becky, who was eleven and was called the Bloomstovr Budget because she carried all the news, came home with the dreadful intelligence that Mr. Pigeon was going to move away, no one would believe it.

"In the first place it's too dreadful to be true, and the next place he would have told us," said Peggy.

But it really proved to be true. Mr. Pigeon's sister—his own sister—had gone to law to obtain a share of her grandfather's estate, which he had failed to bequeath to her because she had gone contrary to his wishes in some way, and the only share that she would have was that old estate on Pippin Hill. Perhaps the law might force her to take something else as her share, since she had held possession there so long; but she was Hitty, and he should give it up to her. That was what Mr. Pigeon said in answer to the indignant remonstrances of the Bells. She was Hitty; that was all he would say, and that was all so much of a reason, but the Bells understood. We all know that it is to give up things to people just because they are lily or Polly or John.

So it happened that the Bells' dear Mr. Pigeon went away to a little house that he owned down at Pequanet; Mills and Miss Mehitabel Pigeon came to live at the old place on Pippin Hill and owned half of the high-top, sweetening tree.

And the very first thing she did—it was September when she came—was to threaten to have Tommy Bell arrested, because when he shook their side of the tree her side shook, too, and she said the top of the tree leaned toward their side and more apples fell there, so when the apples were picked and divided she must have an extra bushel. She threatened to have their yellow kitten drowned because she scampered after the flying leaves in her garden, and she did have their cross gobbler killed because he ran after her red morning gown, as a gobbler will, you know, and gobbled at her. He wasn't much loss and she sent him home plucked and dressed, with the message that she should have eaten him if she had not feared he would be tough!

She complained that Becky's peacock squawked and Dick's Guinea pigs

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squawked, and the vane on their stable had a rusty squeak that kept her awake nights; and if one of the little Bells mounted the fence she came out and "shooed" him off as if he were a chicken. Christine, who was inclined to look on the bright side and to think well of every one—said that she would probably grow better when they got better acquainted, and the girls Tommy and little Rufus were each not to use their bean slingers over the fence or make faces through the knothole.

But instead of growing better their new neighbor grew worse. She had the little Rufus built up ten feet high, and had the branches of the sweetening tree lopped off where they interfered with the fence, and Christine's seat thrown down to the ground so roughly that it was broken. She said she had had people imposed upon her all her life, and she wasn't going to any more.

Papa Bell, who was an easy man and absorbed in his business, said he supposed that so many children are unequal to the little Rufus and his troublesome neighbors; but he thought they should have to renege with Miss Pigeon about the fence, because it took away so much of their sunshine. Christine begged him to talk to her, and she would be sure that people were going to be better, and she knew there must be something good about Miss Pigeon because she looked like her brother—only the twist seemed to be in her mind, poor thing!

It was November when Christine's seat was thrown out of the tree, so she could not have used it any more that season anyway; and when any one asked her how she was going to do without it she said she was going to answer: "Perhaps Miss Hitty will be good by that time. But that transformation didn't seem in the least likely to any one else. She never forgot that Mr. Pigeon had said she was Hitty, though how she could ever be Hitty to anybody was more than the other young Bells could understand.

Christine would bow to her, too, and smile, shyly, although the Pigeon only smiled as if it were measured on their owner's land. She could always speak of her trouble cheerfully, even jokingly. You did not scarcely have thought that she minded it at all; it was a spinal weakness which had bowed her shoulders and twisted her head to one side. "The others didn't mind much when Christine was left out of things; they were a rough, merry set; but Mr. Pigeon had always remembered her. His twist was in one of his legs; he had to wear an uncomfortable iron boot, and walked with a queer, sideways motion.

Christine was very kind when she heard this about Mr. Pigeon, and she put on her thinking cap. She couldn't go to school like the others, she couldn't go skating; in fact, there were so many things she couldn't do that it would have been very discouraging to one who believed her brain than Christine did that things as well as people were going to be better; but that gave her all the more time to wear her thinking cap. And Christine's thoughts were pretty apt to blossom into deeds some day.

Christine had made the Christmas wreaths of evergreen and holly from their own Pippin Hill woods, and she had sent them to Miss Pigeon, who had promptly returned them with the message that she didn't want such rubbish littering up her house. Now when they heard that sad news from Mr. Pigeon, they were making wreaths. She had a very dainty knack with both pencil and brush, for a fourteen-year-old girl, and her valentines were more beautiful than any that could be bought in the shops, or so the Bloomstovr young people thought.

The fashion of sending valentines might have elsewhere, but it always flourished in Bloomstovr, perhaps because Christine Bell kept it up. She sent them to a very few people who she expected to have a valentine to—neglected old people and forlorn sick people, to Biddy Maguire, just from the old country, and "Kitty" with homesickness, and to Antony Burke, the old miser, for whom no one had a civil word and who, perhaps, didn't deserve one. And for every valentine that was disregarded or thrown impatiently aside, a dozen made a little warmth and comfort in a sad heart; for nobody has yet begun to understand how great is the day of small things.

Christine was more mysterious than usual this year about her valentines; she colored when Peggy said she would better send one to Miss Pigeon, but she never thought she would; they thought she was only sensitive about her Christmas wreaths. When Mr. Pigeon went away he gave Christine an old desk that he had had ever since he was a boy. It had initials and hearts and anchors out into it and was whittled at every corner; you would have known if you'd seen it anywhere that it had belonged to a boy, but Christine would have it in her room; she thought it was beautiful. It had his boy letters and diaries in it, and she had laughed and cried over them, and now she had found in that old desk material for the very queerest valentines she had ever made; and although she liked to share the fun of making her valentines with the others, she was a little secretive about that.

What thought the paper be but a leaf from one of the old diaries, one side all written over in an "uniform" boyish hand; and this is what was written on it, the ink faded by time: "I can't bare to rite becoss hity has Feever and I cant bare knot to rite becoss it seems like telling somebody, she held mi hand like when she did knot know anybody last nite and i did knot let them send me to bed the fellers say if she does id i hav other sisters but they are knot hity the fellers do knot understand wen anybody said she will ever hav a bo like our angustine hity has the Tom Tinker wear and that means me as is rote on the last leaf of this Dirty ml name is Thomas Tinkham Pigeon hity has got a Temper but so hav a Good Meny People and she is Good way inside and she is hity and she and i will ally together but i cant bare to rite any more for i want to now what the docter say they say a fellar must be a Man but wen it is hity i cant bare!" Here the words became illegible on the old yellow paper; there were blots and smudges as of tears. Though valentines are supposed to be dainty, Christine didn't try to clean it a bit! And on the unwritten side, instead of painting any of her pretty flowers or drawing hearts or cupids, she only wrote "the Tom Tinker verse" which Hitty had longingly copied to her brother:—"Tom Tinker's my true love, and I am his dear, I'll gang along w' him his budget to bear."

It certainly was a very queer valentine. Christine thought, would probably be returned even more scornfully than the Christmas wreath—if Miss Pigeon should guess who sent it—and she would be likely to guess that it came from the Bells; for she knew that her brother had given them many of his belongings.

She sent it with fear and trembling, and she told none of the others, for the older ones seemed, in their hearts, to have the feeling of Tom and Hitty Rufus that she only proper form of approach to Miss Pigeon was bean-slinger in hand.

The valentine wasn't returned; but nothing seemed to come of it. The Bells were all busy with Miss Pigeon's Jane that her mistress had neutralized. One day after March had come, and a bluebird had been seen to alight upon the high-top sweetening tree, as Christine would have the garden path, there came a shrill, imperative noise through the knothole in the fence.

"If you have any more of those leaves, stuff them through the knothole; if you have the whole diary, throw it over the fence!" Of course Christine wasn't going to do that with the diary that seemed so precious; but she did send it around to Miss Pigeon's door by old Jeremy, the gardener, for some of the boys would go. It was about a week after that a man made, under Miss Pigeon's directions, a new seat in the crotch of the apple tree—a seat that was delightfully comfortable for a back that wasn't straight. Miss Pigeon seemed to know just what when it was finished she went up and examined it and cried it. Then she called to Christine, who was sitting on the porch.

"You are a cantankerous old woman, I was born cantankerous," she said. "But there's your seat!" No one at the Bells knew what to think of Miss Pigeon; it was little Rufus's opinion that a good diary had happened to her, and she was very glad of something else, and he was much disappointed to find, on peeping through the knothole, that she looked just the same. "It's delightful," Christine said, slowly. "But I cannot seem to take any credit by the valentine," she added to herself.

But a few days after, when Christine had meant by the valentine really did happen; sometimes things that seem too good to be true do come to pass in this world. Miss Pigeon mounted the high buggy in which she drove herself and went down to Pequanet, when she came back Mr. Pigeon was with her. They discovered it first as they drove into the garden, and she saw all the young Bells rushed pell-mell into the apple tree and dropped from their branches into Miss Pigeon's orchard—even Peggy who was sixteen—shouting and laughing and crying and rolling on the grass. Miss Pigeon said her harsh voice broke into the whirlwind of greetings; with all its harshness there was a queer little quaver in it.

"He's come back and he's going to stay," she said. "It is he that's here and not I. If you're born with a cross-grained disposition you've got to get over it when you're young or you'll have to have more of a ten-foot fence between you and the world. I'm going back to nursing people in a hospital. I can, though you wouldn't think it and they like me! There's a doctor I know who has invented a new contrivance for making backs straight—he's a real doctor, but he's a real doctor. I'm going to straighten those crooked dispositions I'm going to send one here, and I want her to try it. She nodded toward Christine, and then she turned away suddenly. Little Rufus ran after her—persistently keeping his hand on the bean-slinger in his pocket. (They had discovered at an early stage of the acquaintance that if Miss Pigeon had a weakness, it was a terror of the bean-slingers.) "Are you really just the same? Didn't a good fairy turn you into something else?" he demanded, breathlessly.

Miss Pigeon turned and looked down upon him, her strong features working. "Yes, she did," she answered gruffly. "Did she tap you with her wand?" pursued little Rufus eagerly, delighted with this confirmation of beliefs that were so dear to his heart. (She didn't tap me with a wand," said Miss Pigeon; "she sent me a valentine!"—Independent.

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Mr. Brown and two of his boys were chopping down trees for firewood. An oak was falling, and before it touched the ground a pretty red squirrel leaped out of a hole near the top, raced away, and scampered up another tree before they had time to say a word.

"It was a beauty," said Mr. Brown. "If he had only known he was keeping house up in this tree, we would not have chopped it down." "Yes, sir, it is too bad," said Johnny. "Red squirrels are so rascally," too. And just see how many nuts the little fellow had saved up. It must have taken him a long time to gather them. And now the nuts are all gone in the woods."

"I s'pose we might as well take the nuts now," said Eddy. "They won't do him any good." "Wait a little," said their father. "I'm not so sure but Mr. Squirrel may take care of the nuts himself. We'll work awhile on the other side of the hill and give him a chance." So they went away, leaving the pile of nuts undisturbed. But the boys, taking a sly peep now and then, several times caught sight of the little squirrel frisking about the fallen tree.

A few hours afterward, when they returned to the spot, they found every nut gone; but, hearing a lively chattering, they glanced up, and saw a pair of bright eyes looking down on them from a hole in a tree nearby, and caught just a glimpse of a bushy red tail.—American Youth.

AN ANECDOTE OF MR. CHILDS.

Stopping one of his head employees one day Mr. George W. Childs said: "You are not looking well, I think you must be working too hard." "I am not feeling very well, Mr. Childs, that is a fact," was the answer; "but I guess I will be all right in a short time." "How would you like a trip to Europe?" said Mr. Childs, smiling pleasantly. "Well enough, sir," was the response, "but I cannot seem to take any credit by the valentine."

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UNCLE PHIL'S STORY.

"Tell us a story," said Rob and Archie, running to their uncle. "What about?" said Uncle Phil, as Rob climbed up on his right knee and Archie on his left. "About something that happened to me," said Uncle Phil. "Something when you were a boy," said Archie. "Well, once when I was a little boy," said Uncle Phil. "I asked my mother to let Rob and me go and play by the river."

"Was Roy your brother?" asked Rob. "No; but he was very fond of playing with me. My mother said yes so off we went, and we had some good fun together." "After awhile I took a piece of wood for a boat, and sailed it along the bank. At last it got into deep water, and I could not reach it with a stick, so I told Roy to go and get it for me." "He almost always did what I told him, but this time he did not. I began to scold him, and he ran towards home."

"Then I grew angry, I picked up a stone, and threw it at him, as hard as I could. Just then Roy turned his head, and the stone struck him right over the eye." "O, Uncle!" cried Rob. "Yes, it made him stagger. He gave a little cry, and lay down on the ground. But I wasn't angry with him. I did not go to him, but took off my shoes and waded into the water for my boat. But the water was deeper than I thought, and I was soon carried away by the strong current. I screamed as it carried me down stream, but there was no one near to help me. But as I went down under the deep water, some one took hold of me and dragged me toward the shore; and when I was on a bank I saw that it was Roy who had saved my life."

"Good fellow! Was he your cousin?" asked Rob. "No," replied Uncle Phil. "What did you say to him?" asked Archie. "I put my arms around his neck, and cried, and asked him to forgive me." "What did he say?" asked Rob. "He said 'I forgive you.'"

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And I've thought and thought upon it; For I long to know the way; But I'm such an awful sinner That an angel might pray. Now I wish they'd come and tell me How their Jesus I might meet. For they say He loves the children, And will guide their tender feet. Into pastures green and pleasant, And by waters calm and still; Make them gems of brilliant beauty, Their redeemer's crown to fill.

I have tried so hard to find Him, But I do not know the way, And nobody seems to notice That there's a little lamb astray. Does Jesus care, I wonder, If I never find His God? I'm almost sure I love Him, Though I'm not so very old. I should think the grown-up people Would so love to speak His name, When He did so much to bring them To the home from whence He came!

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We desire that you might be filled with knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.—Col. 1: 9.

INDIGESTION CONQUERED BY K.D.C.

The only native sheep of America are the Rocky Mountain sheep, which inhabit the highest mountain chains of the western part of America from Alaska to Mexico. In the extreme north they are not so numerous, and have been found at much lower altitudes. They were found in large numbers at the time the Spanish first explored the western part of America. They were then of large size, and their flesh is said to be very delicious. Their breeding beds have often been found at an elevation of 19,000 to 18,000 feet above the level of the sea. Domesticated sheep were first introduced into America in 1493.

The matter which this page contains is carefully selected from various sources and we guarantee that, to any intelligent farmer or housewife, the contents of this single page from week to week during the year, will be worth several times the subscription price of the paper.

THE HOME.
TRIPINAPPLE CURE.

Nearly every fruit has from time to time come forward as a cure. We hear marvellous stories of the efficacy of the grape cure of Italy. The peach, the pear and the apple have been followed, and now the principle is recommended as a positive cure for obstinate cases of indigestion. There is no doubt of the efficacy of these various fruits under the circumstances in which they were eaten. Almost any of the fresh fruit, such as the ripe fruit eaten with plain brown bread or the sweet home-made loaf of white bread and taken with country milk will probably go far toward correcting indigestion. Certainly it would when accompanied as these fruits generally are by abundant outdoor exercise. It is the regime under which the patient is put and the complete change to simple, wholesome food that probably effects the cure most at the particular fruit eaten. It is exceedingly doubtful if the pineapples that arrive at our market as they do after being packed green and ripened in the holds of sailing vessels are as wholesome as the native fruits grown in our own gardens. Abundance of strawberries and home-made bread and rich country milk, taken with plenty of exercise in the pure country air, would probably cure any dyspeptic if he were possessed of enough faith to believe himself cured.

THIRTY FEET.

Housekeepers who stand a great deal upon their feet are peculiarly liable to swollen ankles and weary feet. This is relieved by avoiding the cause as much as possible and sitting down whenever it is convenient. There should be a high stool such as is used in drygoods shops in every kitchen and the stool should be just about the proper level for the height of an ordinary ironing board, and the ordinary table where vegetables are peeled and dishes washed. There should also be plenty of low chairs around the height of the old-fashioned rush bottomed chairs, which are so useful because they are lower than the regulation height of the average chair now manufactured. The tall stool and the low chair would be valuable because of the change of position they give for no other purpose. If one cannot sit, next to sitting is a standing position on a soft pad. Such a cushion or pad may be made of layers of blanketting stitched together and covered with soft woollen carpeting. A thick braided rug is a great rest to feet that have been standing on a hard wooden floor. Arrange these rugs or foot cushions so they can be hung up when not in use. They are more convenient made about twice as long as they are broad.

THE BOYS' ROOM.

Considerable attention is commonly devoted to the rooms of the daughters of the family, while the boys' room is often neglected. This may be from the mistaken impression that the dainty surroundings have a tendency to weaken the character, and make the boy foppish. On the contrary, neat, orderly habits, such as are induced by neat surroundings, are as necessary for the young man as for the young woman. The fact that the world does not frown upon the male slattern is a small matter. Lack of system is often a stumbling block in the way of a man's successful progress. This is always a matter that is under home control. Intelligent boys and girls can be taught system and order, if they have not already formed bad habits of work. It is very largely a mechanical matter, depending upon the way in which the child is started and the training received.

A neat room where everything is in its place, and where there is a place for everything, is a good thing to teach the child, whether boy or girl, to be orderly. It matters little how severe the order of the rest of the house may be, if the boy does not have a room of his own, where he has supreme control, he will not be likely to acquire the valuable habit of system. When he is given such a room where he can bring his friends, keep his books, his games and tools with no other restriction than that it shall be kept in order, he will soon learn that he is much more comfortable when it is systematically kept. He should have a neat bookcase for his books and a closet, where he can keep his various games and tools. The house mother will be wiser if she overlooks a little extra dust in this room, so long as it is systematically kept. The daughters of the house naturally take care of their own rooms, while their brothers are dependent upon others for the general care of sweeping and dusting. His rougher comrades are also likely to bring in a little extra dust on their heavy shoes. The surroundings and furniture of a boy's room should be substantial, something that will bear use, for no boy but a cocksnob would be likely to enjoy lace befrilled pillow shams and ribbon-tied tidies. The room should be fitted out with some pictures and good seats and a substantial lounge and chairs and whatsoever personal belongings the occupant may choose. It should be his own where he can learn by himself, how excellent a thing order is. The

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and Students find Shortland a wonderful help in taking notes and composing. Here, is a good sermon by a clergyman who is learning Shortland by mail:—

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TRAINING CHILDREN.

I am touched by Perplexity's wall in a recent "Blackboard" about her beautiful baby. I have no doubt that her feelings are experienced by thousands. Headstrong children are plenty. Yours is no exception, and it requires almost infinite patience and tenderness to conquer this self-will. I have a strong-willed child, a little girl, and I have had many battles, with myself and with her. I don't know as my experience will help any, but it may.

You say it seems as though such a child must be forced to do a thing. Sometimes force is right and sometimes it isn't. It depends a great deal upon the child, and then it may be that the baby is still too young, and this makes her more difficult to manage.

It seems brutal to whip a child, yet I have whipped my own. I don't like the idea of whipping; it seems wrong, yet I am sure it is the best thing under certain circumstances.

Sometimes one will punish a child and the punishment will seem to do no good at the time. I have done this. The child's will was so strong that it seemed impossible to bring it into harmony with what seemed right to the mother, and yet the next time the child was told to do the same thing, it was done and no struggle about it. So the seemingly unfruitful punishment proved fruitful, in good to the child.

I know a child whose will is so strong that when aroused she has said: "I won't do that; you can kill me first, but I won't do it." This is an extreme case, and the best way to deal with her, in my way, appear to give her up, and after a while she will probably do the very thing asked of her.

In governing children, it is, according to the old book, "line upon line, line upon line, precept upon precept, precept upon precept, here a little, there a little." I used to wonder at the repetition, but I wonder no more, for it is a constant repeating from hour to hour in training and guiding a strong-willed child. I have forgotten that a child many times does forbidden things, not from a spirit of willfulness but of forgetfulness.

There are many other ways to punish a child besides whipping. This should be the last resort. When you have tried for from three to five minutes it is a good thing. There will be rebellion at this with a willful child; but after the punishment has been insisted upon a few times, the child will know that you mean it to do what you have told it to. It must at times, even if it does squirm some. I should never shut a child in a dark room as a punishment. I should never tell her that the "bogey man" or "ghost" is in the room, or that she will get her if she were not good. The child will learn to know his untruth after a time, and when you have once established the fact in the child's mind that you are telling her things, then you may as well cease telling her things as a punishment. Now, about teaching a child not to run away. I know a woman who has a little boy who liked to run away and did so on every possible occasion. It caused the greatest anxiety and, of course, the parents were never overjoyed when the child was finally found. One day the mother saw the little fellow trudging away towards a neighbor's; she simply watched to see that he arrived safely, and then she watched to see him start home again. There was no search instituted; she knew where he was, and she bided her time. When the little fellow came back, he skulked behind wagons and trees, but he was out of sight, but no one noticed him. This was somewhat mysteriously new that he came to the house, where the mother was busy and did not see him apparently. It was very hard on the baby, and this was kept up half an hour, and then the child was broken broken he could not bear this indifference. His mother took him in her arms and talked to him, and he has never run away since or wanted to. This might do for most children. It did for this one, and whippings had previously been resorted to in vain.

I think a strong will one of the best endowments a child or grown person can have. A weak-willed child may be easier to govern when little, but when it grows into the world it is swayed by every passing opinion. If the wind of the world blows in right directions it goes right, while if it blows in the wrong way it is easily led astray. I say a strong will is a blessed endowment for a child. A strong will may go wrong and then it will be very difficult to turn it, but once got it started in the right direction it will probably keep on.—B., in the Housekeeper.

ANOTHER GREAT TRIUMPH.

The Bowmanville News Interviews Mr. John Hawkins.

And It Given Particulars of a Nine Year's Suffering From Asthma, From Which He Has Been Restored to Health. His Case Was Looked on as Hopeless. From the News, Bowmanville.

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THE FARM.
EXPERIMENTS WITH FERTILIZERS.

The Pennsylvania State Experiment Station will soon issue a bulletin describing a simple method of soil tests with fertilizers by which the intelligent farmer may easily and cheaply ascertain what fertilizers his soil specially needs. The bulletin contains a description of such an experiment made by a farmer in Bucks County, results of which are summarized as follows:

"A suitable combination of fertilizers as compared with an unsuitable one gave an increased profit per acre in two experiments of \$47.24 and \$54.71, respectively.

"The use of nitrogen in a soluble form under favorable circumstances, paid an average profit per acre in two experiments of \$2.90 and \$7.72, respectively.

"Phosphoric acid without potash gave an increased profit per acre in two experiments of \$2.90 and \$7.72, respectively.

"Phosphoric acid and potash used together gave an increased profit per acre in the two experiments of \$40.17 and \$51.03, respectively. In other words, neither the potash nor the phosphoric acid was able to produce its full effect, except in the presence of the other, and the profit per acre arising from simply using the two together instead of separately amounted in the two experiments to \$30.54 and \$25.91, respectively.

"The average potato fertilizer sold in Pennsylvania, as compared with the home-mixed complete fertilizer used in these experiments, would have supplied but \$4.4 per cent as much of the most needed element (potash), 148.8 per cent as much phosphoric acid and 50 per cent as much nitrogen.

"It is practicable for the farmer to ascertain the needs of his soil as regards fertilizers by means comparatively simple and inexpensive field experiments, and thus avoid wasting money in the unnecessary purchase of artificial fertilizers."

While the above results apply only to the particular soil experimented upon, there is no doubt that in many cases equally valuable information as to the needs of the soil can be obtained in the manner described. The bulletin suggests also that agricultural organizations and particularly the county agricultural societies, might be of much service to the farmer by conducting experiments of this sort upon typical soils.—C. L. Gates.

CORN CERTAINLY KING.

It is now late enough so that the farmers of New York State, and probably of many other Eastern States, know of a certainty that the hay crop of 1895 must of stern necessity be very light. A visit to the respective counties by conducting experiments of this sort upon typical soils.—C. L. Gates.

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he was in his life, and is daily knocking about in all weathers attending to his farm duties. Recently another triumph for Pink Pills came under our observation, and after interviewing the person cured, he gave permission to make the facts public, and we will give the story in his own words. Mr. John Hawkins, and procuring a supply he commenced taking them. After he had taken three boxes he found that he was improving, and after taking two more boxes, to the astonishment of all, he walked across the field to the woods and cut up a cord of wood. He continued the pills and took two more boxes, making seven in all, and today is as well as he ever was, but always keeps a box of Pink Pills in the house. The neighbors all began to ask him what he had done, as the asthma had left him, and they never expected to hear of him being well again. To one and all he tells that it was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that did it, and has recommended them to scores of people since his recovery.

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It has been suggested that a profitable business might be done by persons taking up some of the abandoned New England farms, and starting sheep-breeding on them. These farms can be bought very cheaply, and on many of them there are good houses and outbuildings. The experiment is worth trying.

who resides in the township of Darlington, some ten miles north of Bowmanville, and whose post office is Enniskillen, came to the county from Cornwall, England, some 45 years ago, and up to the time of his sickness had always been a hard working man. One day, however, while attending his work, he got wet, took a chill and a severe cold followed, which finally developed to asthma. During the succeeding nine years he was a terrible sufferer from that distressing disease and gradually grew so bad that he could not work, frequently spent sleepless nights, and had little or no appetite. Finally he could scarcely walk across the room without panting for breath, and would sit all day with his elbows resting on his knees the only position which seemed to give him ease, and at one time he never laid down for six weeks. As it was a hardship for him to talk, all he asked was to be let alone. During this time he had been doctored and had tried nearly everything, and spent over \$100, but got no relief. Finally one recommended him to take Pink Pills. He thought they could do him no harm at any rate,

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