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At Cornwall, on Aug. 25, 1308, the wife of R. T. Woodside, of a daughter.

## MARRIAGES.

On Wednesday, August 26,1908 , in St . Paul's Presbyterian Church, by the
Rev. W. D. Armstrong, Miss E. Fenton to Frank W. Smith, both of Ottawa.
At Westminster Church, Toronto, Aug. ${ }_{\mathbf{W}}^{26 t h}$, by Rev, Geo. C. Pldgeon, Gerald Marion Eleanor, only of Welland, to F. Hampton, of Brandon, Manitoba.

On August 29th, 1908, by Rev. E. A. Mitchell, Miss Ellen Edna Grassle, of Blackheath, to Mr. Edmund Hawken, of this city
At Beaurort, Que., on Aug. 19, 1908, by the Rev. A. T. Love, Lois, eldest aughter of Mr. James Geggle, to Charles J. Chaplin, of Montreal
At the Manse, Prescott, Ont., on Aug. ${ }^{29}$ Mr , 1908 , by the Rev. N. D. Kelth, B.D. Mr. Elmer Garnet Moore and Miss Mildred Marguerite Stevenson, both of Brock
On Aug. ${ }^{26}, \quad 1998$, at Godmanchester, County of Huntingdon, by the Rev. D.
W. Morison, D. D. William Alfred W. Morison, D.D., William Alfred Haryey, of Trout River, to Martha On August 26, 1908, at the residence of her grandfather, William Murray, Galt, by the Rev. R. E. Knowles, Marcaret Herbertson Wilson to Percy Grifoth Davies, of Toronto.
On August 22, 1998, by the Bev. W. J. Clark, Westmount, Harriet M., daughMar of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Tuller, of of Hervey Junction, Quebec.
On August 24,1008 at
On August 24, 1508, at the home of the briae m mother, Ceefl Street, Toronto,
by Rev. A. C. Geggie, Annle Isabella daughter of Mrs. M. Cook Drummond MacBeth, of Hamilton,
At Chesterville, on Aug. 19, 1908, by Re
At Chesterville, on Aug. 19, 1908, by Rev.
W. F. Crawford, Willam Edwin Grue to Miss Sarah Catherine Riddell Grue of Chesterville.
At St. John's Manse, Cornwall, on Aug. 25, 1908 . by Rev. N. H. McGilivray, Haugh Malcoim Grant to Mary Agnes, of Glenbrook, Glengarry. DEATHS.
Mrs. Ann Campbell, at her son's residence, 240 Jarvis st., Toronto, in her
80th year. soth year.
At Dunvegan, on Aug.
David Urauhart,
23,
Dige 1908 , Mrs. Davld Urquhart, aged 102 years,
At Glen Roy, on Aug. 6, 1908, J. R.
MeDougall, aged
84
years
McDougall, aged 84 years
At Roache's Point, Ont., on Friday, Au ust 28, 1908, Lila S., wife of Robt. A. Dunton, of Montreal, and daughter of the lat Rev. R. H. Warden, D.D.
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NOTE AND COMMENT
Twenty years ago a German taught the Japanese how to make shell buttons, Now Japan is exporting shell buttons to Germany, France, and other countries.

The Geologioal Survey has found large ooal deposits in A uska. At least 12,000 square miles are underlaid with coal, and only a portion of the country has been investigated.

Mr. James Bryce, English Ambassador at Washington, who is on a brief visit to Great Britain, has been enjoying his favorite pastime of golf in the North of Scotland.

The New York State Charity Assoclation, in its campaign against tuberculosis, is making use of phonographs to deliver health lectures at country fairs.

At the close of 1907 there were in the Synods of Manitoba, Saskatohewan. Alberta and British Columbia 1,519 preaching stations and 714 Sunday-schools and 172 of the latter were Union sohools.

The lady students of Aberdeen University are proposing to run Mrs. Henry Fawcett, president of the National Union of Women's Suffrage societies, as a candidate for the Lord Rectorship of the university.

In the effort to reduce the number of rats in San Francisco, in stamping out the bubonic plague, it has been discovered that a considerable number of rats from the Chinese quarters are afflieted with a disease resembling lep rosy. Whether it is transmitted to hu man beings has not been determined.

The decline in the French birth-rate is causing great uneasiness among political economists, one of whom points out that in 100 years the rate has fallen from 32 per 1,000 to 19.7, and for the first time in history, and in France alone among the nations, the deaths exceed the births. In 1907 there deaths exceed the births. In 1907 there
was 794,000 deaths, and 774,000 births.

Elaborate oalculations seem to indieate that the turbine engines of the new Cunard steamships are more economical of enal than reciprocating engines. The difference is not very great, but seems to be established. These lange ships burn a thousand tons of coal a day; yet seem to develop a horse power for every pound and a third of coal used. A portion of the power is used in eleotric lighte for the ship, running its elevators, and for ohter uses on board, as in a big hoted. other uses on boand, as in a big hotel. through the water at the rate of twenty. eight miles an hour is enormous.

The Hon. James Bryce, the British Ambassador to Washington, epeaking to the University of Wisconsin, protests against the university's confining itself so largely to agriculture, mining and engineering, disparaging the study of theoretical science, and denying the value of history, economios, philosophy or lan guage. He makes his case clear in the fewest possible words. Whatever an individual or nation achieves is the result of keen observation and close reasoning. The university exists for the akke of training men to observe and to resson, therefore it must provide training for them in all branches of thought and give them the opportunity of getting every kind of knowledge.

The new patent and trade-mark law of Great Britain takes effect this month. All persons from other countries taking out patents must establish factories for the manufacture of their goods in Great Britain within three years from the granting of the patent. If not, the patent is forfeited in Great Britain, and any one can make the articles for either home or foreign trade,

Otto Pfleiderer, the distinguished German theologian, is dead, at the age of sixty-nine. He beoame professor of systematic theology at the University of Berlin about forty years ago and has been prominent in the theological world for ower a quarter of a century. He published a number of books, notable among them being "Christian Origins," "The Philosophy of Religion" and "Evolution and Theology."

The Minister of Justice, in France, has prohibited the publication of photographs of criminals in the newspapers, and the press will be denied all material for sensational stories by the police. The French Government believes that The Frenoh Government believes that daily papers is the cause of a large portion of all the crime. On this continent there is great need for just such a law as has been passed in Franoe.

Great Britain, by a treaty recently coneluded with Siam, has extended its dominion over two Siamese States, covering a ferritory of some nine thousand square files. As a price for this concession England agrees to the abandonment of the privilege of extra-territoriality, so far as Asiatios are concerned, in the king. dom. The two States affected are Tringano and Kelantan, which lie near the Eritieh Malay States.

The ship Denmark arrived in Bergen, Norway, from its Artic exploration cruise. During the explorations an extensive group of islands was discovered between latitude 78 and 79. The members of the expedition found the depot left by Commander Robert E. Peary near Cape Bridgman during his progress northward. The expedition carried out the objects for which it was formed, but it paid dearly. Mylius Erichsen, its leader, and Lieutenants Hagen and Broenlund perished.

Denmark has approved a measure both the Folkthing and the Lansthing concurring, whioh will have the effect of extending the franchise, so far as town and city elections are concerned, to women. All taxpayers, male and female, and all married women whose husbands are taxpayers, will now be entitled to vote in municipal eleotions. It is thought that perhaps the right to vote in national elections will follow before long. In taking this action Denmark has followed the example of Norway, Sweden, and Finland in giving women Sweden, and Finl
a communal vote.
The Archbishop of Canterbury is President of a Committee which has been formed in England for the purpose of raising a fund to place in Westminster Abbey a memorial window to John Bunyan. The meeting of the organizing yan. The meeting of the organizing committee was held in the Baptist
Church House in London, with Dr. ClifChurch House in London, with Dr. Clif-
ford in the chair. The Dean of Westford in the chair. The Dean of West-
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would be strange, remarks the $\mathrm{N}, \frac{\mathbf{Y}}{}$. would be strange, remarks the N. Y.
Christian Advocate, if there were not considerable contributions from the inspired tinker's friends in lands which he never saw even in a vision.

The Protestant Alliance of England has sent a memorial to the Foreign Seeretary, Sir Edward Grey, objecting to the proposed ceremonial audience by King Edward to Cardinal Vannutelli, the Papal legatee, at the forthooming Euoharistic Congress.

Denunciation of the liquor traffic, an appeal for sanctification of Sunday and the exclusion from membership in Oath olic societies of those engaged in the 11 . quor traffic were the striking features of the resolutions adopted by the national convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union at New Haven, Conn., last week. The committee in opening called attention to the fact that thla called attention to the fact that this
was the thirty-sighth annual convention when declaration is made nnew that "not in drunkenness and riotous living can any man make effective profession of the Catholic faith. With indignation the union protests against the taunts of its critios. It does not feel that it should stoop to contest the claimn for ulra-orthodoxy which have been so blatantly made by those who have tvied to substitute the beer mug for the aicandard of the cross. The day for apology for total abstainers is over."

The handling of the vast wheat orop in the North-Weet necessitates the gathering together and transporting thither of a large body of men from the outly. ing provinces of the Dominion year by year. Some of these men represent the rowdy element in our population, and this year especially they have marked their journey through the country by their
disreputable and injurious conduot by disreputable and infurious conduot at
some places along the line. Innocent, law-abiding settlers, living near the rallway, should be protected in person and property by Government and Rallway authority from these ruffians. Proper precautions should be taken to prevent a recurrence of almost incredible outrages reported as having been perpetrated on unprotected women along the line of railway. It is hard to believe that such things should have been al lowed to ocour in a eivilized country like Oanada.

Africa is an immense region. It has
long been known as the Dark Conti. long been known as the Dark Contlnent, but the light of the Gospel is rapIdly dawning upon it. Europe, India. Ohina and Canada could all be laid down on the map of Afrioa and still have some room left around the margins. This huge continent has now 2,470 missionaries, with 13,089 native assistants. There are 4.789 places of regular worship, 221 . 156 churoh members, and 527,700 profes sed Christians. There are in Afrien 3,937 missionary schools, with $202,390 \mathrm{pu}$ pils. There are 95 hospitals and dis. pensaries, 16 publishing houses and printing establishments. North of the equator Egypt has more missionaries than any other region; the Weat Const than any other region; the West Const
countries come next: Fifty years aqo Crapf, the missionary, was laughed at Krapf, the missionary, was laughed at
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Nis dream has come true. Thirty years ago Urgando was a pagan state, where savagery was rampant, Now. as the result of a most herioc strumgle, of ite 700,000 inhabitants, 360,000 are strong Ohristians. In Cape Colony, where Moravian missionaries tried to work nearly two centuries ago, they were treated as criminals for attempting to reach the blacks. Now' Cape Colony alone has 700,000 Protestants and 200, 000 of these are colored.

## SPECIAL ARTICLES <br> Our Contributors <br> BOOK REVIEWS

## THE USE OF TOBACCO BY THOSE

 UNDER SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE.
## J. G. Shearer, D.D.

The "Act to Restrain the Use of Tobacco by Young Persons," passed by Parliament a few weeks ago, is a very important law and its enactment under Government leadership, with the support of both sides of the House, the chief criticism to which it was exposed being that it does not go far enough, is significant. It means that Parliament is increasingly favorable to Moral Reform legislation if persuaded that it is necessary, reasonable and practicable, and it means that the world of hard-headed business and professional hard-headed business and professional men in and out of Parliament se observation and scentific vinced bv observation and scentific
opinion that the use of tobacco by growing youths is so seriously harmful as to imperatively call for legislation interference with liberty in order to save the lives and preserve the health of Canadian boys and girls-that the National well being demanded such action.

The law is not perfect. The are limit mioht well have been reised to eighteen as was done unanimonsly by the Commons on motion of Mr. H. H. Miller. M.P., though it was subsequently reduced to sixteen bv the Senate. This may be remedied some future session. along with other defects that may emarge with experience.
The w.C.T.U. and the Methodist Church Courts asked for the absolute "prohibition of the manufacture. imor ration and sale of cigarettes." Both Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. R. I. Borden considered this extreme and imprac. ticable. It has not yet been demon. strated that the cigarette per se is worse than the cigar or pipe. It has not been proven as sometimes claimed that cigarettes or their wrappers are doped with opium or similar drugs. It seemed, therefore, unreasonable to prohibit cigarettles absolutely and not to bacco in other forms. It seemed also bacco in other frasms, step to take, to a radical and drastic cigarettes in order deprive all men of cigarettes in order to put them beyond the reach of boys. It was therefore resolved to limit the prohibition to youths and to make it apply to all forms of tobacco.

The following is a summary of the provisions of the Law:-Section 1 makes it a crime to "directly or indirectly sell, five or furnish to a person urder the age of 16 years any cigarettes or cigar age of 16 years any cigaretles ow use or ette papers, whether for his own use or not," or to "sell, give or furnish to such a person tobaceo in any form other than cigarettes" if he knows or has reason to believe it to be "for the use of that person." The maximum penalty is for a first offence $\$ 10$ for a second $\$ 25$, for subsequent offences $\$ 100$.
It is noteworthy that in the case of cigarettes the prohibition is absolute, but in the case of other forms of tobaceo the prohibition is limited to tobaceo the prohibition is of the youth bacco for the personal
purchasing or receiving
purchasing or receiving
Section 2 provides for the forfeiture of tobacco. This section makes it "the duty of any constable" or other person having similar powers, "to seize any cigarettes, cigarette papers, or tabaceo in any form in the possession of any person apparently under the age of 16 years whom he finds smoking or chew. years whom or about to smoke or chew ing tobacco or about to smoke or chew, tobacco in any street or public place." Note-(a) It is the duty of constable
to seize, etc.; it is not left optional.
(b) This is limited to "any street or public place."

Section 3 makes it a crime for any person under 16 to "smoke or chew tobacco in any street or public place, or bacco in any street or pubic place, or whether for his own use or not, any whether for his own use or not, any
cigarettes or cigarette papers," or "p ir chase or have in his possession tabac co in other forms" if for his own use.
The penalty is for a first offence a reprimand, for a second offence $\$ 1$, and for subsequent offences $\$ 4$.
Sub-section A makes it "the duty of the Justice to examine under oath all persons brought before him who are found guilty" under this section "as to where and from whom such persons" where and from whom such persons obtained the cigarettes or tobacco and
"the refusal to give such information "the refusal to give such information
shall be deemed a contempt of the shall be deemed a contempt of the
court', which is punishable by imprisonment.
Section 4 deals with the sale of cigarettes, cirars and tobacco in automatic slot machines. Persons under 16 are not to have access to them. The magistrate may order the removal of suoh istrate may order the removal of such machines or give any other ors under 16 say in order to prevent persons under
froia making use of them for the getting fro.a makin
of tobacco.
The owner of such machines or his agent may seize cigarettes, etc., obtained by a person apparently under 16 from such machine.
Section 5 exempts employees or tobacconists in handling tobacco for busibacconists in ha purposes.
Suection 6 defines "cigarette" as "in eluding anv small clgar made of tobacco rolled up in paper, tobacco leaf. or any other material."
Section 7 puts upon the defendant the onus of nroving that he is above 16 years of age. and failing this, he is to be held as under 16 if he "appears to the Justice" to be so
See Section 984, "The Criminal Code," whose provisions apply to offenders un der this section.

The fact that sueh a law has been nassed by Parliament gives to parents, Sunday school teachers, day school tea chers. ministers, and others a golden opportunity of effectively warning boys against the use of cigarettes and tobacco. It is not a crime for any youth under 16 to nse or have in his possession cigarettes. Why did Parliament make it a crime? Its members are not much influenced by merely moral and religious considerations-not as muoh as thev ought to be-but they are powerfullv influenced-by the teachings of acience and economics in considering such question. They were persuaded that the use of tobacco by boys is so harmful to their physical mental and moral nowers that to allow them access to nowers that to a crime against human pro the weed is a crime against human pro
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abstain from tobaceo apart from the enforcement of the law altogether?

## PRINGE RUPERT HOTELS:

An interesting event in the progress of the new eity of Prince Rupert occurred on the evening of August 6th last, when the "Prince Rupert Inn and Annex." owned and operated by the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, were opened for businees with a grand reception and ball. Announcement cards have been iesued which advisa the public that these hostelries are now open for busithese hostelries are now open for buelnees on the American and European plan, with absolutely first claes accom modation. Mr. G. A. Sweet is the manager.

## LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVE. MENT.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement has been introduced into several oities and towns in the older parts of Canada. Wherever it has euiered it has been the means of greatly intensifying missionary zeal. Men have had their spiritual life quickened, their conception regarding the mission of the church to the world enlarged and their interest in the expansion of Christ's Kingdom made more practical. In these places better means of educating the people on Home and Foreign Missions are employed, and Scriptural, business-like and systematic methods of giving are being introduced. Already congregatione are doubling or trebling their missionary contributionsin many cases even more generous offerings are bejng made. Though the largest results of this Movement are spiritual yet it is interesting to note the greatly increased standards of missionary giving for 1908 set by some of the cities touched by this Movement, such as:-
Halifax
St. John
Montreal
Toronto
Hamilton
Brantford
London
Sarnia
150 per cent.

This Movement has proven so valuable as a stimulus to larger missionary effort and as a means of interesting men in and as a means of interesting men in the church that the Canadian Oouncil, in conference with Mr. J. Oampbell White and representatives of the Mis sion Boards of the various churches, decided to enter upon an extended cam paign, having for its object the develop ment of the Movement throughout the whole Dominion. In this project the Canadian Council is fortunate in having the leadership of Mr. White, he having consented to spend about seven weeks in Canada, vieiting all the centres where meetings are to be held.
The Home and Foreign Mission Boards of the churches have decided to join forces with the Laymen's Missionary Movement and make this campaign the chief feature of their work during the coming fall and winter. The Canadian Advisory Council of the Young People's Missionary Movement has aleo agreed to co-operate, and its secretary will cooperate with the secretary of the Lay men's Missionary Movement in directing the work of organization.

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The plain in brief is to hold a series of meetings of about three days' dura tion in each of the following cities: Hali fax, St. John, Montreal, Ottrawa, King ston, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Win nipeg, Brandon, Regina, Oalgary, Ed monton. Vancouver and Victoria. Possibly, also, it may be deemed advisable to hold meetings in other eities. The programme will be of a character that wrogramme will secure the attention of business men. No appeal will be made to arouse the emotions, but each address will be a sane. etraightforward statement of facts calculated to convince men that never before were the opportunities so great, the responsibility so pressing, nor the call so claimant as at the present moment for the Christian Ohurch to press forward in a wisely-planned, detarmined effort to extend Chriet's Kingdom throughout our own and other lands. In throughout our own and other lands. In
each eity the series will begin with an afternoon meeting, the general theme of which will be "The Spiritual Basis of
the Missionary Enterprise." In the evening a men's missionary banquet will be held at which the progress of this Move developing it demonstrated the need for noon and afternoon of the next day will be devoted to a study of the Home and Foreign Mission. Fields, followed in the evening by a gathering of Young Peoevening by a gathering of Young Peoens, and, where advisable, a simultaneous mass meeting of men to consider the question of responsibility in the cause of world-wide evangelization. In the forenoon of the third day there will be a discussion of organization methods and in the afternoon a meeting of the delegates and leaders of eanh denomina tion to plan a forward polic. The clos. ing meeting in the evening 'wlll consist of testimonies to the value of this movement, and reports from denominations and congregations indicating their plans for more aggressive missionary work. The Sunday preceding should be given to sermons and addresses on Missions, and on the Sunday following the churoh services should follow up by applioation the interest generated by the series of meetings.

No subscriptions will be asked for, nor appeals for money made at any of the meetings, the effort being solely edueational, informing the delegates regarding the home and foreign missionary enterprise, the ideals of the Laymens' Missionary 'Movement, and the modern methods of securing interest in and support of the missionary cause, thus inspiring and equipping them to launoh the movement in their various congregations and cities.
In addition to Mr . White, at each series of meetings speakers will be pres. ent representing the missionary interests of all the ohurches. Among the laymen already secured are :-N. W. Rowell, K.C., 8. J. Moore, H. H. Fudger, Jas, Ryrie. John A. Paterson, K.C., A. A. Ayer Others are endeavoring to lend their services to this campaign. All the leading five denominations will be represented by laymen, missionary seoretaries, and missionaries.
A recent tour of all the provinces by the Secretaries of this National Campaign, found representative men of all denominations in every city most cordial in their reception of the project, and untheir reception of the project, and un-
animous in their desire to enter into animous in their desire to enter into
active preparations for the meetings. active preparations for the meetings.
Executive committees are now at work Executive committees are now at work
in all the cities arranging for this campaign and planning to secure delegates from the eurrounding territory, thus carrying out the provincial and national idea of the series.

The present is a most opportune time for such a campaign. The elaims of our vast home mission work are more insistent than ever, because of the increasing tide of immigration; and the complex problems which face church and etate as a result of the many races which comprise this incoming population. The open doors in non-Christian lands present an unparalleled challenge of the chusch to send forth and maintain an adequate force of missionaries, in order that the whole world may be speedily evangelized. The women, the students, and the young people all have their Missionary Movemente, and now God ds oalling the men-His reserve forces-to devise more liberal things for the extension of the Kingdom of His son. To oonsider the ehuroh's distinet responsibility toward this two-fold task, the Canadian Council of the Laymen's Missionary Movement and the Mission Boards sent forth this oall to the Christian men of the cities concerned, earnesitly entreating their prayerful con. sideration of the plan, and trusting that their hearty co-operation may be given their hearty co-operation may be given
to make this campaign a euccess. Let to make this campaign a euccess. Let
only one thought dominate as this soheme is deliberated upon, viz., to
ardwn Christ Lord of all.

MEMORIAL TO MRS. OLIPHANT.
J. M. Barrie was chosen to unveil the memorial to Mrs. Oliphant in St. Giles' Cathedral. It was a happy choice. Mr. Barrie rarely speaks, and he speaks rarely. He is singularly diffident in the matter, and perhaps it is a very good thing. I always read every scrap that gets printed of his speeches. He said beautiful and true things about Mrs. Oliphant and her works. But I think a good many people will not agree with all he said. And when he was saying certain things, the writing reads like the words of a man who is not Barrie. For instance: "She did so much and she did it so well. Even put aside novels, there are biography and history sufficient to keep a reader busy for years. Put that aside, the better to see that very river of essays that flowed from her to the magazines. Put all aside except those that appeared in 'Maga'-one of the mothers of literature, and still the record is im-pressive-and if you have forgotten them, then re-read them-and she did those because 'Maga,' out of a) list of splendid contributors, know that she would do them best. To ior fellows the sheer quantity of her out, 't is a splendid quality. It does not er ecially prove her industry-many viters have been far more industrious." All that might have been left out. Mr. Barrie did not have to say it. But he is himself again when he speaks of the blithely brave woman whose sorrows were so many and so long and so ex-
acting. And he does this delicately. He praises her novels, and they ought to be praised, and to be read. My own great favorite is "Kristeen," but there are those who think "Salem Chapel" her flnest story. Had she kept to fiction and taken pains with her text, I believe she would have been an outstanding novelist. I am quoting almost the whole of Mr. Barrie's eulogy as it would have read without the statements quoted above." . . . "And now Mrs. Oliphant has come back to you. It has seemed good to the people of Scotland that her face and lineaments should be carved upon the walls of their capital. She used to come here sometimes. It was her romantic town, too, and now she returns at your request. It is only a few halting words you can expect me to say to you here I am no speaker at all, and besides we are not met here for speech-making. We admire her as a woman and as a writer. The woman was the greater part of her. Throughout her life she had other things and better things to do than to write, and she was doing them all the time. It was that that made her heart glad or depressed it never her books-but with that part of her we have little to do to-day. I remember the last time I saw her, very shortly before her death. She sald to me, For the first time for fifty years I have nothing on my mind.' She was not referring to her works, but take it at that. And what a mind it was, and how splendidly alfive during all those filty vears. One shrinks from using ex'ravagant words about her, and to no cne would it have been so distasteful as to herself. And we are not met here to compare her with this writer or v.th that. She took to literature for the most honorable of all reasons-to make a livelihood-but she took to it as some fine equipped ship slips into the water for the first time. I dare say there was some such ship launched on the day the publishers launched Mrs. Oliphant, and however good a ship it wrs one may wonder was its machinery In more perfect order than hers, or was its stored-up energy greater than the erergy that was stored up in her? It
carried its hundreds of human beings1 do not knew how many, but not more I dare swear, than that human barque was to carry-the nen and women of her pen-and hovever gallantly it fought the elements, not more gallantly, I am sure than she. If it had come to a flght between the woman and the ship, her force against its force, I believe the ship would have gone down. Which was her best novel? I suppose we all have our favorites. And there was no one stood out as a plllar among the others. It could never have been said of Mrs. Oliphant, 'one moment only was her sun at noon.' But I suppose we would all agree that among the best are "The Chronicles of Carlingfcrd,' and that Mr. 'Tozer, The Perpetual Curate, Miss Marjoribanks, and the others of 'The Chronicles of Carlingford,' are as near to us as some of our friends and relatives. And there is another series destined perhaps for a longer voyage than even 'Salem Chap-el'-those magical stories of the unsuen."

As Mr. Barrie nears the end of his speech, you hear the charming author of "Margaret Ogilvy." How else could he, who so idealized his mother, speak of another woman whose long, undaunted gallant fight appealed to him, whose talents were so eminently of the imagination. "Her imagination-it was not one of those imaginations that have carried some writers in a single flight to the very vaults of heaven to play hide and seek with the stars and sometimes to drop them suddenly. It was rather a friendly familiar that sat with her-sat on the back of her chair-was always waiting for her there-never deserted her once even in the month of May during all these fifty years; watched her grow old, heard the doleful bell emptying her house, lured her back to her chair as if proud of what she had done with him, like one grown to love the old lady in the white cap and the pretty shawl. I am not quite sure about the shawl, but she loved all beautiful ciings, and I think she wore a shawl. The familiar grew to love it as he sat on the back of her chair and played with it and the cap, and whispered pretty thoughts to her like one child left to her when the others were gone. It would overcome me to say much more-we are here for a special purpose to do honor to one of our fllustrious dead, a task accomplished and long day done. It is for the future to sum her up-we at least kn ww that she was the most distinguished Scotswoman of her time, and a steady light among that band of writers that help to make the Victorian reign illustrious. A national monument in this nistoric pile means that to another of her children Scotland has said, 'Well done.' By your wish-and it is a solemn thought-Mrs. Oliphant joins the great shades who take care of Edinburgh and patrol the city inaudible."-The Bookman in the Manitoba Free Press.

If a man be graoious to etrangers, it shows that he is a citizen of the world, and his heart is no island, out off from other islands, but a continent that joins them.-Bacon.
-We often wonder in profitless moments of self-study how we would act in a crisis, imagining the while that the crises of our lives are ushered in with due regard to stage effect, whereas they are in and out again before we realize it. It is only in looking back that we find the true turning point as a man having lost his way goes mentally back over the road to discover where his mistake oocurred.-Merriam.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL 

DAVID MADE KING OVER JUDAH AND ISRAEL.*

David enquired of the Lord, V. 1. Take time to pray. General Gordon $2 l$ ways kept his hol of morning devotways kept his hoi ther how great the ion sacred, no n itter how great danger, or how high the excitement of danger, or how high the excitement of war. Mr. Gladstone was called "the busiest man of the century", but he found time to read prijers in the Ha wanden chapel every day. Luther once said, when he was preaching, lecturing, and writing at a terrific rate. "I am now so busy that I cannot do with less than four hours of prayer each day." than four hours of prayer exciting, vioThe fact is, that the more exciling, lent and critical our situation may "e, the greater need that we should
into the silence" and talk with God.
into the silence" and talk with God.
His men . did David bring up, v. 3. His old friends proved his best friends, as was shown in many a battle and rebellion of later days. A successful merbellion of later days. A successful merchant said that he owed everything to three habits he had acquired while a boy on a stony mountain farm: indus. try, economy, temperance. Some people think that it is better to discard the homely habits and virtues of their parents. But they are wrong, as any continued experience always shows. The world is not an unorganized lottery, in which the lucky win; nor a city to be which whed where the boldest triumph; nor oapturad when captured, to be plundered, so that the greatest thief gets the ered, so that the greatest thief gets the most. The world is a law-abiding wortd, where the obedient are rewarded. Btick to the old virtues of diligence, patience, intelligence, love of men and faith in God.
Anointed David king, v. 4. He had had to wait a long time. A gardener once found his little daughter pulling open the petals of a rose which hung upon a bush. "What are you doing, my shild ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ " he asked. The little creature replied, "Helping God ripen the flowers, daddy". But the father had to explain that she would help God more by patiently waiting. It is sometimes hard to refrain from helping God. But per haps the very waiting is part of His haps ing process. $\mathrm{He}_{e}$ is gradually pre paring the event for us.
David sent messengers, v. 5. Tact is just the method of sympathy. The story is told of the man who could not read to whom came a letter from his son in a distant city, "Dear Father, I am sick, send me some money. Your son, Jack." He took it too the blacksmith across the treet to have it read for him. The blackstreet to have it read for him. Tough fellow, smith was a great, sin such a eross and who read the letter in such a cross "Is curt fashion, that the father said, "Is that the way he writes? Let him look after himsell, the rasoal." But the blacksmith's wife had overheard, and coming out, asked to be allowed to read the letter, and she put so much tender pathos into the words, that the father burst ininto the words, "Poor fellow ! of course I will send him money.'It all lies in sympathy.
sympathy.
Blessed be ye..shewed this kindnessi.
Blessed be ye..shewed this to vine, will unto Saul, v. 5. Faithful to one, wint prove faithful to another. The crew that has mutinied under one captain, is the more likely to mutiny under his successor. Remember this in, ohoosing companions. Suspect anyone who tries to recommend himself by cheapening somebody else to you. He will some day
*S.8. Lesson, September 13, 1908, 2 Bamuel 2: 1-7: $5: 15$. Commit to memory 2 Samuel $6: 2,5$, Read 2 Samuel, chs. 2 to 5. -Golden Text-David went on, hosts was with him.Samuel 5: 10 .
oheapen you to somebody else. Fidelity is a fruit that grows upon the tree of honor, not on the bush of personal lik. ing. He was a true knight who sang to his wife, who would dissuade him frrom going to the wars: "I could not love thee, dear, so much, loved I not honor more."

## All

All the tribes of Israel, Ch. 5, 1. So David's ambition was gratified. The ambition of Jesus Christ is to gather all the nations of the world into his kingdom. He is as yet ruling only over Judah, as it were, waiting and hoping and relying upon the fighting men of Judah to hurry on the day of His universal sovereignty; Instead of, Jrom Dan to Beersheba, Instead CO, Grom Greenland's icy mountains to India's coral strand." Instead of David the son of Jesse," we read "Jesus, Jesus, he the Jivine King hurry on the oldiers of the divine King harry on Hhe day when He shall see the travail of His soul and be satified?
Anointed David, King, v. 3. Consctence is king by divine right. To Conscience it belongs to say, of our thoughts, -these are valuable and should be retained, those are worthlees and should be dismissed; of our desires, -these are ight should be followed; those are rong and should be erushed; of our wrong and shose and should purposes,- these are nobse and should be punsued,
be rooted up.
Over Judah seven years, v. 5. King Alfred the Great began life as the chief tain of the West Saxons, and might have remained such all his life, had it not been for the invasion of the Danes. He was forced to fight, and moreorer to collect together all the fighting forces of England, in order to get rid of the enemy. Hence arose the united kingdom of Eng. land, and Alfred's glorious reign over it. And in like fashion we become rulers over our own selves by reason of the victories we win in driving out our fierce enemy, which is selfishness.

## MARTHA OR MARY?

I cannot choose; I should have liked so much
To sit at Jesus' feet,--to feel the touch Of His kind, gentle hand upon mv head While drinking in the gracious words He said.

And yet-to serve Him! Oh, divine employ!
To minister and give the Master joy!
To the in coolest springs His weary and wait upon Him whi.e He sat at meat!
Worship or service-which i Ah, that is best
To which He calls me,-be it toil or rest; To labor for Him in life's busy stix, Or seek his feet a silent worshipper.
So let Him choose for us. We are not strong
To make the ohoice. Perhaps we should go wrong,
Mistaking zea! for service,-sinful sloth For loving worship,-and so fail of both.

The abiding presence of God is the heritage of every ohild of God. The Father never hides his face from his child. She hides it, and unbelief hides it; but the Father lets his love shine all the day on the face of his children. The sun is shining day and night. Your sun shall never go down. Come and live in the presence of God.-Andrew Murray.
In this world it is not what we take up, but what we give up, that makes us rich,-Henry Ward Beeoher.

## LIGHT FROM THE EAST.

The New Capital-As king of all Israel, David could not remain in Hebron. This town lay too far south, and its site posesses little strength. On the other posesses little strength. On the other
hand, to have chosen one of the fortresshand, to have chosen one of the fortress-
es of Ephraim, or even to have settled in Shechem, the natural centre of the country, would have roused the jealousy of his own southern clans. His capital had to lie between the two; most fitly between Bethlehem and Bethel. But upon this stretch of country there was no on tition strech for strength with position to compare for strength with situated for the command of roads and situated for the command of rite has lit-
the trade on them, but the site the trade on them, but the site has lit-
tle military value. Bethlehem, again, tle military value. Bethlehem, again, might have made a better fortress than Bethel, and lay in a distriot of greater fertility than Jerusalem. But it had not even the one spring which Jerusalem poseeseed; and it was wholly southern and shut off from the north. To the prime necessities of great strengtin and a tolerable water-supply, to the further advantages of a position on the trunkroad and not far from the head of an easily defended pass into the western plain, Jerusalem added the supreme excellence of a neutral site which had belonged neither to Judah nor to the north ern tribes.-Dr. George Adam Smith.

## THE MISSIONARY IDEAL.

The Church as a whole-a devoted and .oyal minority excepted-has wavered and halted long enough in the face of and halled lono enough in the face of the world-wide ideals of Christian triumph. Why should we begrudge to Christianity its magnificent function as a restorer and saviour of the human race, and look with faint-hearted zeal upon the proposal to assume promptiy our full share of the work which will ultimately bring this divine p.an to its consummation ' One of the most painful anachronisms of civilization-yes, and in a measure, of the Christianity of Ohristendom itceli-is the readiness of Onristendom the part of to view with dison the part of some to view with dis-
approval, or at least to regard with irreapproval, or at least to regard with irre-
solute and halting purpose, the extensolute and halting purpose, the extension of the universal gospel to the umversal race. Even though the faith of many may be overtaxed by thts test, it is nevertheless the delight of the truehearted, the insignia of the loyai, to believe and serve and patiently wait on God in unwavering devotion to this vast, humane and heavenly business of winning the world. The missionary, and those who believe in his work, count the future as already won, look upon the centuries as their allies, and upon a redeemed earth, with 'God's help and blessing, as only a question of time and toil-Rev. James S. Dennis, D.D.

## A PRAYER.

o Lord, our Father, we draw nigh unto Thee in humble mind, with contrite heart, and plead the plea of Thy servant of old, "an humble and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise." And Thou will not reject us, Thou canst not, for we are Thine. Kill us with Thy fulness, o Lord our God. Helpy us to live as we pray. Help us to pray ever while we live. Let us not in the fulness of daily life forget that Christ died to save us. O let that salvation permeate our purposes. Keep us from pride. Keep us from anything which can bring reproach on the name of Him we love. Hear us, o Lord, we ask Thee, for the sake of Him who hath loved us, and hath washed us from our sins in His own blood. Amen.

## SOON FORGOTTEN.

By Rev. L. M. Zimmerman, D.D.
The greatest possible compliment that could be paid man was given to Moses, when sacred history linked his name with that of the Lamb of God. It is said that the redeemed of God in heaven sing "the song of Moses and the Lamb;" Moses was the "Grand old man of Israel" in his day and generation. He had proven himself for Israel a friend, a leader, a great statesman, a man sent of God. And yet, great as he was, it is written concerning him that when he died "the children of Israel wept for Moses thirty days."
Of course, wwe all know too well that we cannot live with the dead. The king dies and as the new one steps upon the throne the people cry out "Long live the king!" The army needs a live general, and the nation needs a live ruler. And yet, there is a bit of sadness at the thought that even the greatest are soon forgotten.
There is the new generation which "knows not Joseph," and even with the present generation, "thirty days" is too often about the limit for the remembrance of the dead. and many are scarcely remembered that length of time. It is not an uncommon thing for chiliaren themselves to forget a departed parent, so far as any thought of the departed is concerned, after "thirty days," and the same is true in a greater degree of the public at large as regards the departure of those who at one time served the nation most efficiently.
This suggests two thoughts. The one is, Seek the true hidings of greatness as they are found in God. No other greatness can take the place of that which contes from God, and as men which comtes from wor, with God will their greatness are great with God will their greatness
be lasting. God never forgets those be lasting. God never forgets those
who are truly great, and for all such he has a place on his throne in glory above. Many of those who in the sight of men are small, are in God's sight great, and some day will be kings and princes. Kingdoms and empires may pass away, but those who are great in God will live forever not only through their influence, but with their Father in the Father's house of many mansions.

The second thaught worthy of consideration is, Remember the living and don't be afratd to give them a word of cheer. Eulogies for the dead do not amount to much. That which is tar better is to give more eulogies for the living. We get in the habit of fault-finding, and are often too suspičfous of others' doings. Give your pralses, your flowers, your smiles to the living, for when they are dead it will be too late. Alas, with some people, sympathy, praises, tears for the dead are but mockery, for in Hife they knew only censure, criticism, condemnation and faultfinding in gen-eral.-Lutheran Observer.

A Christian man may pray for what he desires. But if he never does more, he remains upon the lowest level of prayer. The heights are for the Christian who prays that he may be delivered who prays that he may tho seliverid from all desires except those which
please God. Deliverance from selfplease God. Deliverance
there lies the path upward.

Our' business is, not to build quickly, but to build upon a right foundation and in the right spirit. Life is more than a mere competition as between man and man; it is not who can be done first, but who ean work best; not who can rise highest, but who is working most patiently iand iovingly in accordance with the designs of God.-Joseph Park-

Christ said to His disciples, "Ye are the salt of the earth." Christianity is the great antiseptic of society. A little salt sprinkled on fresh meat will keep it from spoiling. Ten, only ten, godly men would have saved Sodom. But they could not be found. The city was whelmed in awful ruin One godly man is worth more than ten ordinary mil lionaires to a town. The ship in the gloom of the billows and darkness and winds of the Mediterranean storm was never in the danger doubtless felt by the mariners. Paul was a voyager. He must preach the gospel in prison and chains at Rome, the most strategic place in the world.
Salt keeps things sweet and pleasant to the palate. What without salt, wou!d be agreeable to the taste? Conserving things $p$ easant, peaceful and joyful is what Christians are set to do and supposed to do. Whenever things are not weet and pure and delightful in the home and in the clurch there is some. thing wrong with the salt. Drummond said, "It is not more Christians wo need, but a better brand." As we said not long ago, if the pure food law was adopted by the church and the "salt" adopted by the church and the "salt"
label put only un such as could stand label put only un such as could stand
a critical inspection, it might sometimes a critical inspection, it might sometimes
be found that the salt of thousands, so to speak, would be hecessary to salt a sparrow.
Then salt is indispensab.e. Its healing properties are known to all. It melts ice. It kills weeds. We could get along without gold, but not with out salt. The Christian is sent to do what must be done or the corruption ' n the world is unto death. He only can do the work. The gospel only can ar rest $i$, and the gospel must be distributed by the Christian. The word may bo cold but the Christian warmth of sympathy can melt the most frozen heart. There are choking and destroying weeds of vice among men, the saloon, gambling of vice ankong men, the saloon, gambling
dens, and a thousand others, the mission of the Christian is to destroy. He sion of the Christian is to destroy. He
has destroyed thousands of them and will destroy many more.
Let us stop and meditate upon the high privileges, the exalted prerogatives, the glorious mission, and the solemn re: sponsibilities of the disciple of Christ.
The lack of intentness, the abounding of apathy, one sees in many of our professors necersitates the conclusion that there are, alas, too many who are fall ing short of their professions. By their fruits ye shall know them.

## THE CITY ETERNAL.

I sing of a oity whose greatness hath won me-
Where poverty, peril and pain aira unknown;
The trance of its wonderful splendor is on me-
I dream 'of its king and the gnare of his throne.

City eternal! How great is thy glory !
The wealth of the universe centers in theel
The Lamb is thy light and salvation thy story;
My epirit breaks through in desire to be free.

I would that our children were oftener told to honor all toilers, and to show most respect to the most unfortunate among them. I would they knew that to do nothing is disgraceful. We too often seek for our children a path of joyous ease and unearned happiness, but we should change all that-we who are Christians; our Master followed other paths. Do you wish your boys to become in reality men Then let them arrive at a competence only through labor, rive at a competence only through at honor only through obedience and discipline.-Charles Wagner.

## CHURČH WORKERS.*

## Some Bible Hints.

The Christian Enceavor society is the gathering of many witnesses; it is the large body of many coals which makes a great fire ( $2 \mathrm{Tim} .2: 2$ ).
A good thing is good to a man only as he is eager to pass it on to some other man ( $2 \mathrm{Tim} .2: 2$ ).
A Chirstian is well trained when he can train other church workers ( 2 Tim . 2:2).
It is quite impossible for one to be taught in the Christian Endeavor society to be faithful, bold to testify, zealous in service, and then to be otherwise when he enters the older church work (Prov. 22. 6).

## Suggestive Thoughts.

The young people's soclety is the only organization which is definitely training church workers. This is its special field, which was formerly left to chance.

If the church wishes to develop certain sorts of ~~kers, it should oversee its young peopll's soclety.

Every society should so move its members through the committees and offices as to develop them, and fulfil its function of a training school

The society members should enter the church work gradually and as soon as possible, not all at one plunge.

## A Few Illustrations.

Every business has its technical school; why not our Father's business? By the fine old plan of appreaticeships, each older worker turned out many younger workers. Why not establish the plan in the churches?
An army keeps recruiting sergeants all the time at work. Why should not the church have recruiting sergeants in the Endeavor society?

Good children are a credit to their parents; so a good Endeavor society testiffes to a good church.-

## To Think About.

Am I ambitious to do church work ?
Am I entering upon my church work?
Am I becoming all the time stronger to do church work?

## A Cluster of Quotations.

Christian Endeavor tinds a task for the least as well as the greatest, for the youngest and most diffident as well as for the few natural-born leaders.aFrancts E. Clark.

At it, and all at it, and always at it. -John Wesley.
"Young Christians may make mistaker in working for Christ, but they make a greater mistake in not working for Him. No failure in making the attempt is so bad as to fail to make it."

The whole bent and trend of the Christian life for fifty years are often determined in the first fifty days after conversion.-Francis E. Clark.

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS.

M., Sept. 14.-Relieving distress. Mark 9: M., 38-4.
T., Sept. 15. - M 3 ssengers of the churches. W., Sept. 16-With our purses. Matt, 19: 16-22.
T., Sept. 17-Teaciang. Matt. 19: 16-22, F., Sept. 18.-Co-op
S., Sept. 19.-Exhorting. Acts 4:8-13. Sun., Sept. 20.-Topic: Commending our Society. II. By supplying
church workers. 2 Tim, 2: 1, 2; Prov. 22; 6.
*YP. Topic, Sept. 20,-Commending our Society. II. By supplying 1, 2; Prov, 22: 6.


OtTAWA, Whdnesday, SEPT., 9, 1908

The latest flgures show that France ds a nation is slowly dying. Alone among nations the deaths last year exceeded the births. In French Canada, happily, opposite conditions prevail. No "race suicide" in that quarter.

The Living Age for September 5 draws upon a new source, The Hindustan Review, for an article on the "Unrest in India." Written by a olergyman at Jubbulpore, it presents a more than ordinarily intimate view of the subject. Its point of view is indicated by the sub-title "The Adolescence of an: Empire."

All modern medical specialists recognize the nerve-racking effeots of loud, strident and unnecessary noises. Wherefore, it would seem a Christian duty on the part of the individual by example and by precept to reduce all unnecessary notses to the minimum. Now-adays, a person deaf or partially deaf is not without his quid pro quo of compensation.
The report of the sudden and serious illness of Rev. Wm. Patterson, D.D., of Bethany Church, Philadelphia, will be received with sincere gret in Canada, where the former astor of Cooke's Church, Toronto, is so well known and so much beloved. The press despatch, dated 5th September says: While in the Franklin National Bank, Rev. William Pattemson, D.D., pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church. was stricken with apoplexy. He was removed to the Pres byterian Hospital. The lower part of his body is affected. The patient is reported to be in a critical condition. Rev. Mr. Patterson was for some years pastor of Cooke's Presbyterian Church, Toronto. Since the above was in type more favorable reports of Dr. Peterson's condition have been received, and hopes are ontertained of his recovery.

## THE FALL CAMPAIGN.

We refer not to the large political campaign which some say may not be remote, but to the Fall campaign of the individual congregation. Rightiy con sidered, it ought not be regarded as the minister's campaign, nor the elders' campaign, nor the managers' campaign. but the campaign of the whose congregation. We will not make any list of things which might better be things undone; but we think there should be a more direct and systematic planning for spiritual results-a more direct planning for additional rearuits to Christ's unashamed army, and for a deepening of spiritual life in the cases of those aiready onrolled. Perhaps it would help were we to put in the first place what we so often leave to the last-prayer.

## HELP IT ALONG.

A new layman's missionary autume. campaign is pending. Help it along. Let it leaven the whoie lump of Canadian Christianity. The test of success in the movement will be the extent to which it results in the adoption of the weekly envelope for missions. And the general adoption of the weekly mission envelope may have the other good result of the individual setting apart a certain settled percentage of income for religious and phianthropic purposes. Some of the most consecrated and mag. netic men of missions are to take part in the campaign_in Canada this autumn. Can any afford to withhold co-opera. tion 1

## A GOOD APPOINTMENT.

The public will hear with pleasure of the appointment by the Dominion Government, of Prof. Adam Shortt, of "Queen's," to the position of Commissioner in connection with the working out of the new Dominion Civil Service Act. This far-reaching Act demands the services of a man of independent mind, of firmness to do the right, and one possessed of an instinctive feeing for fairness alike to the country and to the individual. Such a man is Adam Shortt, of "Queen's." The appointment is complimentary to Prof. Shortt, and not less creditable to those by whom the appointment has been made.

## BRAIN WORK MAKES FOR LONG LIFE.

Great mathematicians have been proverbially long lived; great judges almost equally so; and it is even probable that something of the same kind might be said for eminent journaliste who are constantly called upon to apply their minds to the varying circumstances of the day.The "Lancet" believes that no educational acquirement would be of greater value than that which siould give the power of restraining the thoughts from perpetual movement along reflex grooves, and šould compel them, day after day, if only for some brief season, to consider the foundations of accepted beliefs and the validity of the arguments which might be urged either in defence or in disproof of them.

MINORI RULE IN CONGREGATIONS,

## BY KNOXONLAN.

The theory is that Presbyterians are largely self-governed people. They elect their own elders, deacons, managers, and miristers, and control their own affairs generally, cubjeot of course to the revision of the courts of the Church. The theory is a very fine one. It looks well on paper-a good deal better on paper than it sometimes does in practice. It is a good theory to make speeches about and expound at moderations, inductions and other places where the "true blue" most do congregate. A man who cannot make some good points when showing how beautifully the eleoting power vested in the people is balanced by the ordaining power of the next court above has no eapacity for making points. A man who cannot wax eloquent when explaining our gradation of courts and ehowing how the injured innocent can prosecute his appeal from a Session up through the Presbytery, on through the Synod until, at last, he reaches the General Assembly-a man who cannot wax eloquent on such a theme has no true eloquence in him. He has no faculty for ecolesiastioal flights. A true ecolesias. tical orator should soar on this theme as a politician soars when he talks about laying something at the foot of the throne.

No doubt our system of government has worked fairly well. It has some defects, but what system is perfect ? The fact that it breaks down occasionally is no argument against its general excellence. Examine its operations in many countries, and for a long period of time, and it will be found to have worked as well 26, if not better than, any other system. This is the true test for any system. One of its most serious defects in practice is that-io spite of the theory that majorities should rule within oertain limitations-minorities, as a matter of fact, do often rule congregations. Some congregations are ruled practically by one family. Some by one man, a few by one woman. It would be going too far to assent that in every such case the practical effeot is bad, and only bad. Much depends on the character of the controlling parties. Many a strug. gling congregation has been kept in existence by one family, or by one man, and a few by one woman. Now it one or two persons have more zeal, more energy, more working power, more of the spirit of self-sacrifice than all the rest of the congregation, the few will rule in spite of any theory of churoh government. Other things being nearly equal, the man who does the most work, and makes the greatest sacrifices, will always have the most influence among Christian people. If any man in a congregation have more grace, more working ability, and makes more sacrifices than the whole session that man will have more influence than the whole session. If any man have abilities equal, or nearly equal, to thase of the minister, and have a more spiritual mindand shows more devotedness and self sacrifice in the work-than the minister,
that man will have as much influence as the minister, probably more. Mere offoialism goes for very little in this country. Earnest, persevering, self-sacrifioing work always brings influence among Christian people. When these qualities are combined in one or two men they can usually control matters in spile of any theory. Against that kind of minority rule nobody protests much. Most mer bow willingly to the power of goodness. May kind heaven send us more of such minority rule.

There is, however, another and very different kind. It is of the earth, earth ly. Pernaps it would be better to say of the devil, devilish. A member of a congregation of more or less influence becomes dissatisfied, soured, and general ly ugly. Perhaps he has some reason, and porhaps he has not. Quite likely he or,uld easily put the matter right if he would try, but he doesn't try. He lets it simmer. He nurses his wrath to keep it warm. Perhaps he is a good man, but aoting a long way below his average. Perhaps he is a good man constructed on unfortunate principles. Probably, he is an Ishmaelite whose hand has adways been against every man's hand Probably, he is a Diotrephes who wants
the pre-eminence and the people refuse to give him any pre-eminence-and the peo ple refuse to give him any pre-eminence. Possibly he is a Crank. It is even possible that he may be a Judas, and the Lord is about to allow him to unmask himself. Whatever he may be, after becoming soured up to a certain point, his next step is usually to form a party for some purpose, let us say, for example, to get rid of the minister. He is not always very scrupulous as to the means he uses in forming his party. Probably, he brings sodal influence to bear and tries to make some of his "Eet" disaffeoted. Probably, he is rich or controls money or business not his own, and brings his ledger influence to bear where it will do the moet good. (Don't faint, gentle reader, such things have been done.) Perhaps he is a large employer of labour and in that case it would be almost a miracle of some of his dependents did not soon share his feelings. Probably, he poses as a martyr and tries to form'a party on the basis of sympathy. This brings in the soft ones. Probably, he affects superior piety, and declares he is doing all for the plety, $G$ and the good of the Churoh. glory of God and the good of the gushing This is intended to catch the gushing ones. On whatever basis the little par-
ty is formed, it soon goes to work. It ty is formed, it soon goes to work. It attacks the minister, and perhaps his session in indirect ways because he knows very well he cannot be dislodged by open, manly assaults. It whispers, insinuates, tattles, finds fault, tampers with persons that are known to be weak, talks-perhaps lies-about the prosperity of other congregations and the ability of other congregations and and of other ministers, predicts evil, and then tries to fulfil its own predictions; it withdraws its subscriptions and then boasts that there is a deerease in the funds; it gives an evil report of its own congregation to the members of other congregations. It speaks disparagingly of its own minister whenever it dares to do so: belittles the work its own congregation is doing and, in a hundred different ways, schemes, wire-pulls and conspires to bring about the sought result.

One of two results nearly always follow. Either the minister quietly leaves, or the oase in some form goes up to the Presbytery and, after a little beating about the bush, the pastoral relation is dissolved. In either case a small minor-ity-composed probably of the very ity-composed probably of the very
worst elements in the congregationtriumphs over the majority, over the triumphs over the majority, over the
Churoh Courts, and, worse than all, over truth and righteousness. Ninetenths of the congregation were attached to their pastor, they profited by his min istrations and were prospering-spirit ualy and every other way under his ministry, but their rights and their feelings are tramp.ed in the mire by a clique formed of two, or three, soms of whom perhaps don't even profess to be Christians. While all thia was taking place the Presbytery was looking on place the Presbytery was looking on
belpless as a lot of school boys; or, perbelpless as a lot of school boys; or, per-
haps, holding a learned discussion on haps, holding a learned discussion
that excellent lady, the deceased wife's sister.

Who are chiefly to blame for such odious instances of minority rule? Two parties. The majority of Christian peoparties. The majority of Christian people, who allow themseves to be over
ridden. They usually become quite valiant when the evil is done; but when it is in process they don't care to interfere. Sometimes they are outwitted by the schemers, who are often ward politioians, who bring all the dirty tactios of the ward bummer to bear on unsuspecting Christian people. Presbyberies are more to blame. The vast majority of the best people in any congregation would stand loyally by a Pres. gregation would stand loyally by a Pres.
bytery if it dared to do its duty. Quite bytery if it dared to do its duty. Quite
often it does not dare. The minority often it does not dare. The minority
triumphs, and the people that ought to have been protected by their Church Court are disgusted. Small wonder if they are. Sométimes the schemers even try to "get at" members of Presbytery before the case is heard. Of course, no member of Presbytery makes up his mind until he hears both sides.

## LITERARY NOTES.

A new book by the Rev. R. J. Camp bell, the famous minister of the City Temple, London, is ar oearing in Unremple, Colonial Library. it is entitled win's Colonial Library. it is entited "Thursday Mornings at the City remple," and consists mainly of discourses
delivered at mid-day services during the delivered at mid-day
last twe 've months.

The Living Age, which recently purblished M. Guyot's address on "The Influence of English Thought on the French Mind," now prints a graceful French Mind," now prints a graceful
and interesting paper in reply by J. and interesting paper in reply by J.
Churton Collins, on "The Literary InChurton Collins, on "The Literary In-
debtedness of England to France." It debtedness of England to France."
appears in the number for Sept. 5.

Mr. Unwin is publishing in his Colonial library Mr. S. R. Crockett's new book, "The Bloom of the Heather." It is a collection of stories, some long, some short, and mainly about Scottieh life. The book is full of the humor and pathos whioh have made Mr. Crockett the favorite author of so many readers.

The expulsion of Father Tyrell, formerly of the English Jesuits, and now a leader of the Modernists, and that of Abbee Loiey in France was followed last week by the revolt and secession of Father Bartoli, also of the Jesuits, a man of intellect and culture. In an indig. nant, well-written letter, Bartoli gives the Vatican and the Jesuit Order a bit of his mind. $H_{e}$ sharges that the Church of Rome is afraid of enlightenment, is soandalising the educated and thinking people, teaches lying legends, and palms off faked relics. These worde a. 4 these faots will produce results incalculable.

## PRESBYTERIAN OPINIONS ON

 UNION.The "Bcottish Review" has collated the opinions of prominent Presbyterians on union with the Episcopal Chureh. Professor Cooper (of course) is very fivourable. But the attitude we have taken, says the Belfast Witness, is reinforced by Professor Lindsay, who says-"We Presbyterians are quite assured of the validity and regularity of our Orders. We validity and regularity of our Orders. We go furthe, We believe than the Anglioan. more ancient standing than the Anglioan. We recognize the validity of Anglioan ordination (as we do Wesleyan, Congregational, and Baptist), but we think it irregular .. So if the question be one of abandoning our ancient Orders for theirs, all talk about union is vajn. It is not union but absorption that is asked." Prof. Orr says-"My feeling with my present light, is that while closer intercourse on the past of both Episcointercourse on the past of both Episcopalians and Presbyterians is greatly to be desined, there is hardly possible any effective amalgamation between the two systems. I do not think that such amalgamation, even if attempted on the basis of a compromise, would be a real gain." Dr. Munro Gibson says-"As a Ppesbyterian 'I would welcome untion with the Church of England on a basis which would not compromise our dis. tinctive principles; but I should not be prepared for suah a separation from my brethren of the other Free Churches as brethren of the other Free Churches as
the scheme foreshadowed seems to the scheme foreshadowed seems true threaten. What I long to see is a truely Catholic union of all who love the
Lord Jesue Christ in sincerity. This Lord Jesue Christ in sincerity. This is not possible without mutual recog. nition, such as is already happily reach ed among the Evangelioal Free Church es" Professor Herkless writes incisive ly "When the Lambeth bishops deal with Presbyterians they mate a condition as Presble of uion The beginnine when it treats of union the beginning and end, or the short and the long of the whole matter, is that absorption of Presbyterianism by Episcopaoy is the one and only way of union.'

## THE KINDNESS OF GOD'S CRUELTY.

It is easy to see the purpose of some of the suffering that God lets his chil dren bear. His love breathes all through it. It is terribly hard to see any helpful or loving purpose in certain other forms of suffering that have to be endured. They seem only cruel, and endured. They seem only cruel, and lacking in any element of love or any possibility for good. So feit one who was racked in mind and nerves by an affliction that seemed as purposeless and unnecessary as it was uncontrollable. But when the very desperateness of the suffering had driven that one to God in a covenant of complete surrender to His will, and when peace of mind came with the surrender of the will, then it was possible to see God's loving hand even in the cruelty of the experience. even in the cruelty of the experience. If the only way that God can give per fect spiritual health to a child of His is by the use of surgery that cuts and tears, He is not so un oving as to "withholti His greatest blessing simply be cause it can come only through seemin cruelty, How we must make the $\mathrm{F}^{\prime}$ avenly Father suffer by our cruelty misjudging Him!

The Orillia Packet tenders congratu lations to the Rev. Dr. Gray, Pastor Emeritus of the Orillia Presbyterian congregation, who on Tuesday, 1st of September, entered upon his eighty-fifth year.

Sir Robert Hart is not hopeful that re forms in China will come with any spe cial speed, but when the new generation begins to build, he predicts 'China's pagoda will tower high among the na tions.'

## STOṘIES <br> POETRY <br> The Inglenook

TRAVEL

## A TOUCH OF NATURE.

"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin.

Well, 'this is slavery," muttered Peter, the elevator man, to himself, as the bell sounded imperiously for the first floor. "Not a breath of fresh air have 1 had since noon. I might as well be a machine. No man can stand this never-ending down and up, up ana down in a six-by-seven iron cage."

Peter was new to the running of the elevator. He nad been a toreman in a big manufactory until the hard times that compelled his firm to shut down and discharge the majority of its workmen forced him to accept any kind of work he could find.

That day the breath of spring was in the air outdoors, while within, the burden of steamheat added to the season's languor an intolerable weight. Peter had sought repeatedly to escape for a moment's respite, but in vain. And now, as he slammed the door after his passengers, he drew his cap down over his surly eyes and pulled the cord with an angry jerk that indicated the desire to send the car either through the roof or the bottomless pit below. At least so it seemed to a portly grey-haired gentleman who had entered the elevator and had answered "Seventh," to Peter's gruff, "What floor?"
Peter frowned more deeply than ever is he observed the costly shoes and clothing of the gentleman.
"The bloated bond holder," thought he to himself.
"A murderous anarchist," was the essential comment of the elderly passenger, as he caught a glimpse of the dark face.

Up they flew for several floors, but suddenly stopped between the fourth and fifth, with such precipitousness that the passengers were thrown in sharp collision with one another and Peter.
"What's the matter?" exclaimed the sentleman.
No reply came from Peter save a pull of the rope that caused the car to descend a few feet, where it caught again. An upward pull and it rose, but not more than five feet. Then up and down, up and down succeeded in a sickening repetition for several minutes Then the elderly man, holding his wrath in stern control, placed a firm hand on Peter's arm, and said:
"Young man, what do you think you are doing with this car?"
And Peter, with equal control of his inreasoning hatred for his passenger, answered coldly: "The machinery is out of order. It's not my fault, but we shall have to stay here until trelp can come."
"Hello!" he shouted, stopping to look through a small crack made between the floor of the elevator and the top of the door of the fourth floor.
A messenger boy was passing. He stopped aghast at the sound of a volce apparently close behind him, yet with no visible owner.
"Up here! I say, Johnnie look up here."
"Well, I never!" ejaculated the boy. "Goin' up?"
"No, we're not," growled Peter. "Say, run down to the boller room and tell them the elevator is stuck between the fourth and fifth, and be quick, will you?"
"Ha! ha! ha!" laughed the boy. That's a good one," as he raced three steps at a time down the staurs,

In a few minutes sounds of pounding and wrenching of machinery were heard below, and the boy reappeared.
'They said sumpin' broke in the machinery, but the're nixin' it right up and they If let yous out in about tive minutes. My! but you look like a Coonin China in a hen coop." And not wast ing for Peter's angry repiy, he sped chuckling down the stairs.

The young girl seated herself on the one chair reserved for passengers and proceeded to unwrap a box sne hau evidently just received from the mail. The old gentleman paced angrily about the narrow space and Feter bent his sullen eyes upon the floor, turning his back to his passengers.

Gradually a delicate perfume flled the car. The girl had taken oif the box cover and was lifting a handiul of lilles of the valley, the dainty belis lying cool and sweet on long green leaves.

Neither of the men in the car noticed or realized the soothing sense of fragrance, but Peter's rebelhous heart seemed suddenly calmed and the old gentleman curbed his restlessness.
Pictures formed themselves in Peter's mind of a cool green forest and a far-off German home, while to the old gentleman it was as though a soft hand touched his and the presence of one whose life had been to him as pure and sweet as the lilies that she loved seemed near. A tear rising to his eyelids fell gently on his cheeks; and Peter, raising his head just then, thought, "Poor old chap, how tired he looks," but he did not say so. He merely pushed back the cap from his eyes and turning toward the little girl caught sight of the lilies in her hands,
"Malblumehen!" he exclaimed. Die schonen Maiblumehen-that is their name in Germany. They grow wild there in the woods," and a bright smile changed the hitherto dark face.
"Would you like a few?" she said, extending a small bunch to each.
The old gentleman took his with trembling hands,
"They remind me of one whom I have loved and lost," he said.

Peter touched his cap respectfully.
"It seems good to see the spring again, sir," he said hesitatingly.
"It does indeed," replied the gentleman. "The winter had been hard very hard-but with spring comes hope. I have lost every cent I have I am alone in the world, but I have not lost hope."

A look of surprise passed over Peter's face. He had not thought of the winter as hard for any but the laboring man.

But a rapping on the plpes and a volce from below calling, "All right there, Peter," made him spring to the rope. The car rose smoothly. He stopped it carefully at the seventh floor, and as the old gentleman got out he again touched his cap and said heartily, "Anything I can do to serve you, sir, I would be glad to do."
"Thank you," replied his passenger. "I'll not forget that."
Then the car rising to the eighth the little girl and her box of lilies went their way, not knowing that she had brought summer to wintry hearts.

No one is ever poorer for giving appreciation, nor richer for withholding it.

## THE APPROACH TO CANADA

(Correspondence of the London Times.)
Few thinge give a Canadian a keener thrill of pleasure than to come up the St. Lawrence in fine summer weather with English friends who are seeing the country for the first time. He feels that they will at last understand his enthusiaems. No other approach to the Am. erican continent can, for an instant, erican continent can, for an instant,
compare with this. No other continent compare with this. No other continent
has an approach from the sea so noble has an approach from the sea no noble and imprecsive. A sense of breadth and space and vast distance dominates everything. The feeling is quite different rom that experienced in mid-ocean, since the neighborhood of land gives the mind the means of measurement. As the traveller comes through the narrow straits of Belle Isle, and almost instinctively thinks that his voyage must be drawing to an end, he learns that ahead of him are as many miles of nav-
igable waters as he has already passel over since leaving Liverpool. On the waters of the gulf he again loses sight waters of the gulf he again loses sight of land. When Anticosti has been passed, and the mouth of the river is entered, a whole day and night of voyag. ing along the southern shore comes dimly in sight. Then, as the river gradually narrows to 15,10 or 5 miles in breadth, from the higher upper deck of the stately steamship which carries him, the eye of the passenger turne with al. ternate intereet to the rugged, verdure. clad hills of Gaspe, rent with many a gorge, on his near left, and to the remote, dimly blue, exquisite outline of the Laurentian range of mountains far the Laurentian range of mountains far further westward till lost in vague dis. tance. Beneath him the great river, sparkling in the sunriee, dazzling at noon-day, rich in the colors of sunset, or softly sombre in the moonlight, sweeps along to the sea in the vast volume of water which represents the drainage of the greatest fresh water sy6. tem of the globe. Abowe, the clouds, peculiar to a continent warmed by sum. mer heat and yet plentifully supplied with moisture, shift and change with a rapid play of form and color, unknown to the grey skies of the British Islands.
to the grey ekies of the British Islands.
The whole forms a scene to impress The whole forms a scene to impress
the most casual tourist; no wonder that the most casual tourist; no wonder that
it stirs Canadian feeling to its depth. It will do more than arouse emotion. If Devonshire lanes or Yorkshire fells, to take illustrations of local influence, have had their part in moulding Eng. lish character, if rugged Highland scenery has intensified Scottish patriotisms surely this broad and expaneive outlook and surroundings must have their effect in shaping the typical Canadian of the future.

Cowards die many times before ther deaths;
The valiant never taste of death but onoe.
-Shakespeare.
With tears streaming down his face a man stood beside the coffin of his dead friend and simply said: "He paade me better." Is there anyone who can conscientiously say this of you when you lie dead?

A single dewdrop, as it quivers on a leaf on a June morning, mirrors and reflects the whole blue sky; yet what a miniafure picture it gives of that vast expanse of heaven! So human fatherhood is a dewdrop which mirrors the divine fatherhood; but it is only a pic ture compressed into minutest size and with on.y dim, broken reflection of a glorious love which is infinite in its length and breadth and height and depth.--Rev. J. R. Miller.

## ADA'S LESSON.

## By Hilda Richmond.

"We have drawing and music and writing and spelling and 'rithmetic and aver so many other things in out school," said Ada who was checkin! them off on her fingers as she spoke. "What do you
"We've never been to school," said Fre Ella together. "Mama teaches ired at home."

Never been to school and you're eight years old!" said Ada in surprise. "Isn't that awfui:
"Our schoolhouse burned down just "Our schoothouse burne," said Ella. "We'll go next term.'
"I suppose you don't know very much then," said Ada. "Of course your mama hasn't much time to hear your lessond. We have a drawing teacher and a regalar teacher and a music teacher, be arides a superint:ndent. It keeps us fingt swful busy.
Fred and Ella looked vory sober after that. They loved the'r mama and thought she knew everything withoer looking in any book, but she was very looking in some days they had very bhort lessons. They had no drawing short lessons. nor music, Nature Study was that Ada ta.k. whal They were sorry their mama ed about. They were should go right had said the lessons shousit, for now on during their cousin's how little they
she would find out how knew.
"Mr. Masters wants six and one-halt dozens of eggs at sixteen cents a dozen," said Mr. Forbes, coming in just then. "Which of you children can tell me how much that would be ? ${ }^{\prime \prime}$
"Where is a pencil?" asked Ada look
"Where is a penc iece of paper. "I ing around for a puicker than anybody.

One dolar and four Fred, and a minute later Ella said it. too.
"How do you know?" asked Ada, in surprise, dropping her paper.
have had that problem before. "but, "but "No, we havent. said eggs mamd every time we gather they will bring in asks us how much sioblems out of narket. She makes problems a peneverything, and won
cil to work them."
cil to work them." "I never get my highest grades in "I never, get my highest in Nature 'rithmetic, saiden get one hundred.'
Fred and Ella asked what Nature Fred and tres "Why, it's about trees and flowers," said Ada. "It shows how and tell trees and plants."
"Oh, is that it?" cried both children. Can you telk what every tree is by "Can you tel.
looking at it $T$ "
looking at it F "
"Our book shows every tree," said
"Our book shows every tree," sald Ada positively. "What is that one out there?" asked Mr. Forbes.
"I-I guess I'd have to have my book to tell,", said Ada. "Anyway it's got to tell, said adf and our book shows the leaves all think it must be an oak. the lea
tree."
'ree. "That's the tree we nuts off of," said Ella,
That day Mrs. Forbes cut her hand, and Fred and Ella got dinner. They had baked potatoes, fried eggs, baked appies and fried sausage all on the tabl when their papa came in, cold and did gry. Ada wanted to help but she dook not know how, so she could only look on and wonder how her cous time to learn so many things.
time to mama came for her, Ads
When her mama chings. "Mama," had learned many ella have never she said, "Fred and Ella have neve lots gone to school, and they know lots more than I do. And is that I told them how much I knew. I've told them how sorry and ashamis I am. and they forgave me, but I wish I hadn't taiked that way."
"My dear, you have learned one lesson to last you all your life," said her mama. "The people who really know a great deal are the ones who never bosst about " t ."

## A BOOTLESS TREASURE QUEST.

The good ship Alfred Nobel, which eome twelve months ago sailed from London to cruice the summer seas in cearch for hidden treasure, and which was to have returned to Blackwall piled high with gold and silver and preciou stones from sunken wrecks unchartered even in Lloyd's, is, alas and alack, coming back as bare as Mother Hub bard's cupboand, eave the "Leader."
She was the property, it may be reShe was the propart. nembered, of a vage Company. and one of har objere ives was Paul Krugers lost ure sure hip, the Dorothea, which lies in seven and a half fathoms of water two miles east of Cape Vidal, on the Tenedo Reef, off the Zululand coast. The Kruger gold, 'which Oom Paul, so the story rune, sent out of the Tranevaal for safety, was said to run to the value of $£ 650,000$., and it was supposed to be remented into the bottom of the Dorohea with 200 tons of eand ballast hea witogether, the Alfred read over it. Altogether, the Allired Nobel's programe the South Afrioan wrecks to work aloug costy and more coast. But long and costly and more or lees perilous operations only mielded disappointment and failure. Oom Paul's treasure-if not mythical-still lies intact at the bottom of the sea, and the other wreaks had previouely been pretty well stripped.

## THE WAY TO WAIT.

O , whether by the lonesome road that liee acrose the lea,
Or whether by the hill that stoops, rock shadowed, to the sea,
Oa by a sail that blows from far, my love returne to mel

No fear is hidden in my heart to make my face lese fair,
tear is hidden in my eye to dim the brightnees there
wear upon my cheek the rose a happy bride ehould wear.
For should he come not by the road, and come not by the hill,
and come not by the far seaway, yet come he surely will-
Close all the roads of all the world, love's road is open still.
My heart is light with singing (though they pity me my fate
And drop their merry voices as they pass my garden gate).
For love that finds a way to come can find a way to wait
-Isabel Eoclestone Mackay, in Harper's Magazine.

MISTAKES IN WINDOW GARDEN. ING.
Mistakes are often made by inexperienced window gardenens with reference to pot plants in not using sufficient drainage, and filling the pote too full of soil; but a more frequent complaint perthe, permater they, elaner allowing the plants to stand in it and drown, eays a writer in the "Gardener." More plants are injured and lost in this way than in any other, as it not only soddens the earth, but oauses the root to deoay. Some will stand it and enjoy it, but they are only the few, such as the wellthey are only the few, such is half aquaknown Arum kily, which rainare, then, tje in oharacter. The drainage, chen, being suoh an important matter for the others, the firet preliminary to potting is to carry that part of it out properly, whioh is best done by first placing an oyster shell over the hole, and covering to a depth of half an inoh or 60 with small cindere or charcoal. These will afford a ready outlet for the water.

SAVE THE CHILDREN
Mothers who keep a box of Baby's Own Tablets in the house may feel that the lives of their little ones are reason ably safe during the hot weather months. Stomach troubles, cholera in fantum and diarrhoea carry off thous. ands of little ones every summer, in most cases because the mother dion not have a safe medicine at hand to nive promptly. Baby's Own Tablets give prompty. Babs if given oces cure these troubles, or if given ocen sionally to the well chid and the moth the trouble coming on. And the moth er has the guarantee of a government analyst that the Tablets contain $n 0$ opiate or harmful drug. Mrs. . Ge Mineault, Jr., Mont Louis, Que., says -"Before giving Baby's Own Tablets to my little one she suffered greatly rom and stomach troubles, and ried great dealn The Tablets soon ried a plump, ured her and she is now a plump, healthy ohild who doee not look as thougn she ever had an hour's illness.' You can get the Tablets from any dealer in medicine or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' M licine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## THE NEST OF THE WASP.

A large nest when completed will measure from sixteen inches to eighteen inchee in height and from twelve inches to thirteen inches in diameter: it is usually round or oval in form, the suter wall are about thalf an inch thick, bomposed of several layens of the thick, composed of several dayens of the paper-like material, which are so arrang ed that there are air epaces between them. This, no doubt, saye the "Garden," renders the nest both warmer and drier than if the walls were solid The rows of cells or combs, unlike those of bees, which are vertical with the cells horizontal, are horizontal with single rows of vertical cells, the latter having their mouth downwarde. There may be from ten to fifteen tiers of are whilf an inch hese celie. whi and anor part, and all whe strength by small pillars, whicu give otrencre and solidity to the whole staructure. The number of cells in a nest have been comprited by various pensons at from 8,000 w 16,000 , but nrobably the higher figure far in excess of the number that any nest ever contained. It is said that each cell is used three times, and that towards the end of the season the neste may inhabitants.

## POTATOES AND LONEVITY.

Great is the potato (says a writer in the "Evening Standard"), and nobody shall live to a hundred yeans old who does not make his breakfast--lunch and dinner off the invaluable tuber. Such at any rate seems to be the leeson taught by recent facts from Ireland. Within quite a short time County Tiprerary has seen throe centenarians pass to their reet. Nor is this a mere coincidence. Persons are perpetually growing to a remarkable age in Ireland. The parish registers are kept more faithfully than in Fngland, so no scepticiem is po:sible on thit soore. No, we are inclined to on that score. No, we are There oan be give the potato ifs due. There oan be no doubt about its fund of sustentatory power. Did not the old Irish sedan carriers live exolusively on potatoes Tom Brown and East lonew a good many things that conduce to happinese, and after a etiff game of football the history eays that they repaired to Sally Harrowell's and indulged each in a penn-arth of baked potatoes, taking in his way the most direct means to repair the ravagee of nature and football. Other thing no doubt contribute to Other things longevity, golf, for instance, and a wellbalanoed temper, without whioh moreover good golf is impossible, but potatoes lead the van.

# CHURCH WORK 

## Ministers and Churches

## NEWS <br> LETTERS

## WESTERN ONTARIO.

Owen Sound Presbytery's next ordinary meeting will be held in Division Street S3. hall on 1st Dec., at 10 a.m.
Rev. J. R. S. Burnett, of Vietoria Harbor, has intimated his intention to resign next month.

Rev. J. A. Stewart accupied the pulpit of Knox Ohureh, Galt, on Sunday. The services in the Hespeler Church were conducted morning and evening by Rev. James Skene, of Baltimore.
Hamilton Presbytery appoints the fol lowing Conveners of Standing Committees :-Chureh Life and Work, Rev. Dr. Ross; Sabbath Sohools, Rev. James An hony; Young People's Societies, Rev. D. M. Robertson; Home Missions, Aug. mentation, and Vacancies, Rev. Dr. Smith; Superintendence and Examining of Students, Rev. Dr. Fletcher; Schemes of.the Churoh, Rev. D, R. Drummond; Finance, Sir Thomas Taylor; Temperance and Moral Reform, Rev. J. Craw ford.

The Presbytery of Bruce met on September lst at Paisley. The Rev. R. Thynne's resignation of the pastoral charge of Underwood and Centre Bruce was disposed of. Some time ago a difficulty arose between two parties reepecting the custody of the key of the organ, and to such an extent did the hoetile and to such an extent did the hostile
feeling increase that the congregation of feeling increase that the congregation of
Centre Bruce was rent into two oppos. Centre Bruce was rent into two oppos-
ing factions. Though the session did all ing factions. Though the session did all
:hey could to reconcile the parties, every efiort was in vain, and the situation became so unpleasant for the pastor that he tendered his resignation of the whole charge, which was accepted to take effect at the end of October. Rev. J. Foote will act as interim moderator. It was with great reluctance that the Presbytery terminated the pastorate of Mr. Thynne in Underwood and Centre Bruce, where he has labored with such diligence for the past five years. Surely there is room for reflection in such cases by all who may not be able to see eye to eye with others in matters of trivial importance. "Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth!"
The Presbytery of Owen Sound met on Tuesday, Sept. 1st, in Division Street Ohurch SS. hall. A note of apology was rear from Rev. Dr. MoLaren on account read from Rev. Dr. MoLaren on account
of illness, and regrets of Presbytery were expressed. Rev. Wallace Johnston, of Shallow Lake, and Mr. Robert Crichton, elder, from Kilsyth, were introduced as new members. The Bession Records of Lion's Head, Wiarton, Knox Ohureh, Owen Sound, and Meaford were examined and certified. It was decided to take no further steps meanwhile toward opening a preaching station at Tobermory. Arrangements were made for SS . Institute at Kemble, in near future, and for holding joint conferences of 88 . and Y.P.'s workers on evening before the December meeting of Presbytery. Re commendations on Systematic Giving were ordered to be printed, with a prefatory note by the Convener of Committee. These are to be urged on all the Congregations of the Presbytery. A committee was appointed composed of Revs, Matheson and Nicol, to investigate condition at Oliphant and report as to desirability of opening a preaching station there during the summer. Favstation there during the summer. Fav-
orable report was received of mission work on the Peninsula, north of Wiar. ton. The Clerk, Mr. Woodside, and Mr. ton. The Clerk, Mr. Woodside, and Mr.
John Armstrong were appointed to codify Standing Orders of the Presbytery.

## EASTERN ONTARIO

Rev. G. M. Young, of Lorneville, Ont., has been preaching at Vankleek Hill. Rev. J. B. McLeod, of Martintown, has returned home after a brief holiday sojourn at Carlsbad Springs.
Rev. J. S. Muldrew, B.A., of Souris, Man., has been preaching in St. Paul's church, Port Hope.
Rev. W. W. MeRae, of Beaverton, filled the pulpit of Sebright church on Sunday. 30th ult., preaching with much ac ceptance.
Rev. D. M. McLeod, lately of Billings' Bridge, who has been visiting at the manse, Martintown, occupied the pulpit there at both servicee on Sunday wegk.
Rev. Mr. Ross, of Lachine, oceupied the pulpit at both morning and evening services in Knox church, Lancaster, on Sunday last. Rev. J. D. MoKenzie took Mr. Ross' services in Lachine.
The induction of Rev. J. V. McKibbon, M.A., into the pastorate of Severn congregation took place on the 3rd instant. Mr. McKibbon enters on hie work in an interesting field under encoureging auspices.
A pleasant town social was held on the manse grounde at Dalhousie Mille on Tuesday evening. Choice songs, suitable speeches, along with some instrumental music made up an attractive programme greatly enjoyed by all.
Rev. A. H. Scott and family of Perth have returned from their pleasant summer home near Williamstown. Rev. Donald G. McPhail gave acceptable supply in St. Andrew's church during Mr. Scott's absence.
A new and beautiful organ has been installed in St. Andrew's church, Lanark. It poesesses a sweet tone, and under the manipulation of Mr. Wiil Fer. gueon goes greatly to the helping of the song services.
The Communion of the Lord's Supper D.V.) will be observed in Knox church, Cornwall, on Sabbath, Sept. 20th. Pre. paratory servicee will be held on Wed. nesday, Thureday and Friday evenings preceding. Rev. Allan Morrison, B.D., of Kirk Hill, will aseist the pastor in these evening meetings.
Rev. W. F. Crawford, of Chesterville, has accepted the call to Buckingham, Que., and the Ottawa Presbytery made provisional arrangements for his induetion. Rev. R. Gamble, moderator, will preside; Dr. Herridge will preach; Rev. Mr. Taylor will addrese the people, and Rev. Dr. Armstong the minister.

At a meeting of the Vankleek Hill congregation, held on the slet ult., a hearty and unanimous call was given to Rev, P. F. Sinclair, B.A., of Toronto. This charge is an important one in the historic Presbytery of Glengarry. The church is a handeome new structure, and alongside is a comfortable brick manse.
Last month mention was made of the destruction by fire of the manse at Watson's Corners. Our minister thereRev. J. A. McLean-is a heavy loser. The piano was gotten out, a new and valuable instrument, and a few articles of furniture, but the library, valued at \$1,200, and containing certain works which eannot be replaced at any price, was consumed in the flames, as well as a quantity of clothing and $\$ 40$ in cash. a quantity of clothing and $\$ 40 \mathrm{in}$ cash.
Insurance on the building was $\$ 700$; effects, $\$ 500$; library, $\$ 500$. The inteneffects, $\$ 500 ;$ library, $\$ 500$. The inten-
tion is to rebuild as quickly as matetial tion is to rebuild as quickly as matetial
can be had. In the meantime Mr. and can be had. In the meantime Mr . and
Mrs. MoLean are at the home of Mr. and Mres. James Fair.

The presbytery of Portage la Praivie met at Arden on let Sept. There are eight miesion fields in the district and all were reported in a flouriehing state. A theological conference was arranged for in connection with the next meeting of the presbytery. At a meeting open to the public held in the evening addreeses were delivered on the home, the Sunday echool and the young people's work.

Says the Pietou Advocate:--Rev, Jas. MacGregor MacKay, of New Glasgow. and Rev. James MoLean, D.D., of Toronto, drove over from New Glasgow on Wednesday of last week to visit Rev. James Thomson, of Durham. The three James Thomson, of Durham. The taree Rev. Mr. Thomson, and graduated the same year. There were five in the class Rev, James MacGregor MacKay, New Glasgow ; Rev. James MaeLean, D.D. Toronto; Rev. Henry Crawford, Lunen burg; Rev. John MacLeod, Vancouver; Rev. James Thomson, Durham. All are still living, and all have celebrated their jubilee of 50 years in the ministry.

Foreign Mission Tidings for September contains the following list of new Life Members of the W.F.M. Society:-Mrs. A. Grant, Teeswater Auxiliary, Teeswater: Mrs. J. A. MoArthur, St. John's Chureh Auxiliary, Toronto; Mrs. A. G. Mac Kinnon, presented by the Presbyterial Society, Minnedosa, Basswood; Mrs. J. G. Sutherland, Blaris Auxiliary, Arrow River, Man.; Mrs. Jas. Miller, "Norman Russell" Auxiliary, Regina, Sask.; Mis: Cream, Ohalmer's Ohurch Auxiliary, Quebec: Mrs. Wm. Anstead, presented by Knox Church Auxiliary, on its 21st anniversary, Paisley; Mrs. J. D. Osborne, Austin. Man., Boisevain Auxiliary; Mrs, Austin, Man., Boisevain Auxiliary; Mrs. John Smith, W.F.M.S. Auriliary, Churoh, Guelph. Presentation.
A meeting of the Presbytery of Quebee was held in St. Andrew's Church. Sherbrooke, on the afternoon of 2nd Sept. Those present were: The Rev. Dr. Kellock, Kionear's Mills; the Rev. Mr. Oarmichael, Richmond; the Rev. J. R. McLeod, Three Rivens; the Rev. C. W. Nicol, Sherbrooke; the Rev. Mr. McKenzie, Stornoway, the Rev. Mr. McKeod, Marsboro: the Rev. Mr. Oallan, Leod, Marsboro; the Rev. Mr. Callan, Megantic; the Rev. Mr. Muir, Leeds; the Rev. Mr Sinolair, Inverness; the Rev. Mr. Sutherland, Kingsbury; the Rev. Dr. Paterson, Quebec, and the Rev. Mr. Walker. Routine bueinees was transacted. The Rev. Mr. Mair, of Leeds, was appointed moderator for the ensuing six monthe. A call was extended to Rev. W. T. Mckenzie, of Morrisburg, Ont., by the Congregation of Scotetown. The call was nocepted, and the induotion service wild be held at a later induo
date.

Prof. Ridgeway thinks that there is no Prot. Ridgeway in trying to root out the love of alcohol in northern climates, because it is 'the outcome of climate.' The best they can do, he says, is to regulate it. Arctic explorers 'regulate' this desire by giving their men no ohance to gratify it. Sixty thousand women and children in Glasgow, acoording to a despateh from that city, to-day are orying for the bread that the whiskey and beer drunk by their husbands and fathers would pay for.
"Consecration" is a blessed word, but people seem to have an idea that consecration means coming every now and then to give ourselves up to God anew. We cannot consecrate and reconsecnate. The word that helps me most is abandonment. It indicates my falling back upon God.-Geo. H, O. Maegregor.

## TORONTO.

Rev, R. W. Dickte, of Brandon, Man., was the preacher in Cook's church last Sunday.

Two of our city "ministers-Rev. Dr. Milligan and Rev. Dr. Wallace-after a prolonged absence, have resumed pastoral duties.
On account of Mr. D. C. Hossack's adhering to his resignation of the charge of Deer Park church, the pulpit will be declared vacant.
The Presbytery will not be divided. The proposal has, however, resulted in the adoption of the policy of paying the travelling expenses of members from outside the city.
The meeting of Presbytery hereafter will be held in a hall in the Temple building, corner of Richmond and Bay streets, as being more central and convenient to the railway station than St. James' Square church. There will be a Presbytery dinner each month at Eaton's grill room.
The resignation of Rev. J. McKenzie from the charge of Hornby and Omagh was accepted, to take effect at once, and Rev. H. H. Turner, of Kirkfield, was appointed Moderator of Session. Mr. McKenzie is going to take a postgraduate course in Scotland.

A unanimous call to the pastorate of Riverdale church, started a little more than a year ago on Pape avenue, has been accepted by Rev. J. A. Miller, who has been in charge from the beginning. The infuction will take place on the 17th inst.

The Presbytery has given leave to Davennort Road congregation to mortgage their propertv to the extent of $\$ 15.000$, in order to bulld n new church. to cost $\$ 25.000$. It is exnected that there will be accommoation for one thousand of a coneregation and also for a thousand in the Sinndav school. Leave was also given to the congregation of Queen street east to sell their bullding and mortgage their property for $\$ 16.000$, to assist in building a new church.

## HAMILTON.

The mission services held by $\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N} \cdot \mathrm{b}$ St. and Rt. Paul's churchng during Julv and August reem to have been verv eucceseful.
The Laymen's Misejonary Movement is again making iteelf felt. Arrangements for a conference in the latter part of September are being made.
Robert Henry Wilson, a member of Chalmers' Churoh, on the mountain, has been recommended to the Home Mis for engagement as student catechist.
Rev. D, S. Dix, of Knox College, preached with great acceptance in St. Giles' church during Auguet. Rev. Peter Taylor, also of Knox, was the preacher on the 6th inst.
St. James' Church, by decision of Presbytery, will, after October 1st. stand alone, the aseociate charge of Barton being rumited with Chalmer's Church on the Mountain.
The different churches are beginning to make preparations for the Chapman to make preparations for the Chapman
evangelistic meetings to be held in evangelistic meetings to be held in have already been appointed to take charge of the different phases of the work.

The beginning of September finds most of our ministere For part of July harness Angust there was such a dearth of and August there was suoh a dearth of ministers in our city that considerable difficulty was experienced by people needing their services for funerals, weddings, etc.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, FINCH.

The opening of the new church erected by the congregation of St. Luke's church (Presbyterian) at Finch, on Sunday, 30th ult., was marked by appropriate ceremonies. There were very priate ceremonies. The church was crowded to the doors, The chuich was crown compelled to content themselves with seats in the aisles and out. side the entrances. The services, which were of an exceedingly impressive character, were conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. D. Bell, assisted by the Rev. W. D. Reid, B.D., of Taylor Street Presbyterian church, Montreal, and Rev. N. H. McGillivray, of St. John's church, Cornwall. The sermone were delivered by Rev. Mr. Reid, and they were marked by deep special music rendered by the choir was excellent.
The opening of the church was cele. brated on Monday with a Harvest Dinner, at which there was a very large attendance. A splendid repast was served by the ladies of the congregation in a large booth erected alongeide of the ohurch. The tables were prettily decorated and the bill of fare was most bountiful, the service being all that could be desired.
After dinner speeches were delivered by the clergymen present and several prominent gentlemen, and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. The chai was occupied by the Rev. W. D. Bell and the speakers were Rev. W. D. Reid, Rev. N. H. McGillivray, Rev. Archibald D. McIntyre, B.A., of Caron, Saskatehe D. MeIntyre, B.A. Lundy, of North Wil wan; Rev. R. A. D. Stewart, of Finch, liamsburg; Rev. D. St. Luke's; his son, a former pastor ons. Donald Stewart, B.A., of MoreRev. Donald Stewart, B.A., of wood; Rev. Geo. Mason, of Durg : Rev. A Geo. W. Mingie, of Lunenburg; Rev, A
W. MoIntyre, B.A. of Ogdensburg, N W. McIntyre, B.A., of Ogdensburg, M Y.; Mr. R. A. Pringle, K.C., M.P. ; Mr. Geo. Kerr, ex.M.P.P.; Mr. A. F.
hern, and Col. Robert Smith, K.C.

In introducing the speakere the chairman drew attention to the interesting fact that three of the rev. gentlemen precent, Mesers. Arch D. and A. W. McIntyre and Mr . Donald Stewart, were Intyre and Mr . Luke's congregation in their boyhood days.
The speakers congratulated the pasor and congregation most heartily on the beautifnl edifice they had erected, and several of them gave some very and several of them gave of the early intereeting reminiscences of
days of St. Lukes ohurch.
Rev. Mr. MeGillivary paid a special Rev. Mr. MeGillivary paid a special
compliment to the contractor, Mr. John J. McIntosh, of Alexandria, who was not only the builder but the architect. He thought euch a satisfactory completion of a contract was worthy of some tangible recognition in the form of a resolution signed by the officials of the church, which he had no doubt would be presented to Mr. McIntosh.
be presented Mr. Bell endorsed Mr. McGillivray's remarks. Having acted as invray's remarks. Having acted the thorspector he could vach and the work done by Mr. McJntorh.
the work done
The proceedings were brought to a close with "God Save the King," after which the ladies served tea in the booth. In the evening a concert was held in the church. There was another large audience and the entertainment was a great success. The Rev. Mr. Reid delivered an exceedingly interesting lec ture on Ireland, illustrated by a seriee of beautiful stereopticon views. Several mueical numbers were rendered moet artistically by the Iroquois Quartette of Ottawa.
The new church, which is built on the site of the old frame etructure, destroyed in the fire of 1906, is a handsome building. It is of a modern type of building. It 8 , of phich of the utilarchitecture, which permite of but the ization of every foot of space, but tower, large gothic windows and square tower, surmounted by belfry and steeple, give on ornate effect highly pleasing to the eye. The building is constructed of ce-
ment blocks moulded in the form of cut stone, and so well has this part of the work been done that it would easily pass for stone without a close inspection. The main body of the church is $66 \times 42$ with Sunday school adjoining, on the same level, $60 \times 24$. The Sunday school is separated from the church by patent flexifold doors imported from Worcester, Mass. The floor of the main body of the church has a gradual slope toof the church has a gradual the pulpit, and the pews are ar. wards the pulpit, and the pews are arranged in semi-che Sundry school and try is in rear of the Sundry school and is conveniently reached by a door at the side of the pulpit and choir platform. The pews are of ash finished with black walnut. The pulpit furniehinge are in black walnut handsomely uph letered. A pipe organ of splendid tone completes the choir. It was purchased from the Taylor Street Presbyterian church, Montreal, having been replaced in that church by a larger in strument. The seating capacity of the church is 450 and the Sunday school will accommodate 150 more. The cost of the building complete is about $\$ 14$,of th
000 .
${ }^{000}$ The committee in charge of the erec. tion of $t$, church was composed of the Rev. W. D. Bell, Meesrs. D. P. McKinnon, John K. McLean, John McNaugh ton, J. J. McMillan, Archibald Henry, Donald J. McMillan, A. H. McLean, A. F. Dey, secretary; George L. McLean, treacurer.
Mr. McKinnon was appointed chair man of the committee, but on his leaving Finch a year ago the Rev. Mr. Bell succeeded him, and on the latter gentleman has devolved the dutv of inspecting the work as it proceeded. The re sult has been highly satisfactory to ell sult has be

## BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Mr. Carnegie who has already spent $\$ 10,000,000$ on the Oarnegie Technical School at Pittsburg, is said to purpore to expend upon it $\$ 10,000,000$ more. His desire is to make it the greatest school in the world.
Reports received from the big tree section of California indicate that the forest fire has been turned away from the Calaveras grove. which is believed to have been seved, though some damage was done before the work of the firefighters became effective.
Despatches from the city of Niigats. eighteen miles north-west of Tokio, tell of a fire last week in which four thonsand honses were destroved by the flames. Fearful acenes of destitution and suffering are reported as a result of the disaster. and the Government is rendering every possible assistance to the in habitants of the stricken city.
Zia Bev, until lately the chief aseassin of the Sultan of Turkey, and now a fugitive, has been in New York. and has just left on the 'Mauretania' for Fing. land. While moving from one hotel to another and using varions fictitious names, a New York reporter managed to interview him. He called himself a wretch, a rascal and a fool, who murdered men and women wholecale at the dered men and women wor But he pleaded order of Abdul Hamid. But he plesded that he had lived all his life only with such people, and knew no better. The Sultan. he says, is an intelligent man, but selfish. crnel and corrmpt, who, with his favorites, planned the Armenian massacre to put money in the pockets of the latter. What Abdul Hamid did not know, he says, is that the revolntionary demonstrations were organired by the Eultan's own men. The only way to aave Turkey, he declares, is to put her under European control.

It is eacy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after owr own, but the great man is he who in the midst of a crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.-Emerson.

## HEALTH AND HOME HINTS.

## sPARKLES.

"You are in my pew, sir," said Mr. Upjohn stiffly.
"Then I am sitting in the ceat of the scornful!" replied the stranger, getting out of it with alacrity, and taking a seat further back in the chureh.

Nell-"Why is it that a girl can never catch a ball like a man?"
Belle-"A man is so much larger and easier to catch."

Farmer-"Wanter marry my darter, eh? Why, sonny, you ain't able to take keer of yourself yet !"
Sonny-"No; but I almost kin, and I'd think she'd be able to help some."
"Bruddern an' sistahs," began Parson White, "I hab heard many complaints orbout de length ob mah sermons; so I hab decided on a reform. Hereafter de collection will alwaye be counted befo I begin mah sermon, an'-de smallah de collection de longah de suhmon."
Lawyer-"Did you say the assault and battery was committed in an adjacent locality f" Witnees-"No; in the base ment."

Why," exclaimed the kind old lady to the beggar, "are they the best shoes you've got ${ }^{\text {P }}$ " "Why, lady," replied the candid beggar, "could yer imagine bet. ter ones fur dis bizness? Every one o dem holes means nickles an' dimes to mé."

Mother," said a thoughtful Boston child, "is Philadelphia older than Boston ${ }^{\circ}$ "
"Of course not, my son. The first eet tlement was made in Charlestown in 1630 , while William Penn did not arrive on the site of Philadelphia until fifty two yeare later."
"That was alwaye my impression, mother; how is it then that Philadel phia is mentioned in the Bible, while Buston is not ${ }^{\prime \prime}$
"All that you are," said the lecturer, addressing his remarks to an elderly man siting in the front seat, "all that you are, I repeat, you owe to heredity and environment." "What"" said the elderly man much excited, "I never had no dealin's with that firm in my life and I don't owe them or anybody else a cent."

Sometimes an hour of Fate's serenest weather
Strikes through our changeful sky its coming beams;
Somewhere above us, in elusive ether,
Waits the fulfilment of our deares dreams.
-Taylor.
If the devil tells you it is "too hot in Church," remind him of Dives-that ought to cool you off,-Rev. E. R. McCauley.

Our best guide boards to heaven arc the gravestones of the blessed dead.

By woiking for the good of all, we work for the good of ourselves. We only succeed as ws work for the good of the whole.-The Fra.

We write our blessings on the water, but our afflictione on the rock.-Guthrie.

Johnson Brothers, contractors, of Brantford, have completed the grade of the Grand Trunk Paciftc from Winnipeg to Portage La Prairie, and begun work on a heavy contract "Subbed" from the Grand Trunk Pacifle Railway Company This latter contract begins at Plaster Rock on Tubuque River in New Brunswick, and runs east twenty eight miles. The country here is rongh or rolling and heavily timbered, but there will be some ood agricultural lands along this part of line.

## AN EMERGENCY RHYME.

If poisoned, take mustari cr salt, table epoon
In a cup of wanm water, and swallow mighb eoon. age too;
If blistered, then oil and dry flannel will do;
In children's convulsions warm bathe are the ruie
(With eastor oil dose, too), pbut keep the head sooi.
Give eyrup of ipeoac when aroup in store;
For fainting, stretoh patient right out on the floor;
To sosk in hot water is best for a sprainyou much pain. The Honsehold. you much pain.-The Household.

Paraffin oil will prevent learther from aracking, makes the shoes wear longer and polish easier.
oarbolic acid will mix readily with ater if the latter is boiling.
Chamois Ekin slightly dampened with lend on the thelves to prevent the books from molding.
As far as poseible castens should be placed on tables and other kitchen fur

Cook tomatoee for breakfast as fol lows:-Get lange tomatoes, wash them and wipe dry; then divide into slicee about one inoh thick. Sprinkle each alice with pepper and salt and fry Whem cooked, put a little flour into the frying-pan and a tearupful of cream; stir together and pour over the garnieh of rashers of bacon.
Gooseberry Chutnee-Ingredients Three pounds of greon gooseberries, half a pound of chopped raisins, walf es of a pound of brown sugar, quanter of a pound of salt, two tea:poonfuls of ayound ginger, and one pint of vinegar ground ginger, and one pint of veget Prepare and mix all the menedienk and boll in an enamelled or hned cop. and brown. Keep the piakle well stirred to prevent it sticking to the pas, it burns quickly if not attended ret orust and with it line a brisin. Take fiwo pounds or three pounds of the sorag end of neck of lamb and cut it into neat peeces, dipping each ined flour aearoned with pepper, thorped $y$ in a basin, pour a teacupful of water or strok over, and then cover with eruet. Wring a cloth in boiling wates, Iour quickly, and tie over the puddina, which must boil slowiy for thiree hours To serve, send to table do the bacin with a very delicate pudding, and preferred by many people to one of beefeteak.
Veal Cake-Is a good cold disin for supper or a ipionic. Boil three or four egge hard and cut inem in sli es. Cbop up some parsley, lemon rind, pepper and sait. Line a plain mould with the stices of egg, cut up one pound of veal outlets into neat pieces, and put it in the mould with alternate layers of baoon cut in slices and the slives of egg, prinkling each layer with the seazon ing. When the mould is full add a gill of stock. Cover over tightly with butered paper, put a weight on the top, and bake in a slow oven for three or tour houns. When quite vold turn out and serve.
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## A MISPLACED SWITCH

Heedless of the fact that it was Sunday evening, and that the larder might be, and in fact was expected to be, rather low, Deacon Black had invited the min ister home tr suppér. Mrs. Black, mind ful of the fact that a small saiad wa all that could be placed on the board was horrified at her husband's invita tion, but with true hospitality attempt ed to make the best of the situation.
Leading from the parlor to the dining room is a passage, dark and so narrow that but one can pass in comfort at a time. With a woman's quick wit, Mrs, Black. who had come into the parlor after laying what she could find on the table. determined to use a variation of the "family holdback" that so often plays a part when the unexpected guest has come. Following her husband into the passage plustched an arm, and pulling down his clutched an arm, and pulling
"Don't touch that salad, for goodness sake!"
"All right," he answered in a similar whisner. Then the party proceeded to the table.
"I am very sorry, Mrs. Black," ex claimed the minister, as the party seat ed themselves, "but I feel a little indis posed from the heat to-day, and I think I will have only a cup of tea."
"Why, that's too lad!" the wife re marked. "I did want you to have a good supper."
"You didn't say anything to me abou feeling ill," put in Deacon Black, who despite the warning, had helped himself to a large portion of the main dish. "If I had known that, I wouldn't have pressed you to come."
The clergyman passed the situation off with some light remark, and after a suit able period took his departure.
"Well, John," said Mns. Black, "T'm glad for your sake that the doctor couldn't eat much. for there was so lit tle, and I know how fond you are of salad."
"Yes." said her husband, "but there would have been enough to go round, I guess. I can't understand why the dootor accepted my invitation if he was ill.'
"Anyway," she answered, "T'm glad $\mathbf{I}$ caught you in the pasaage and warned you about the salad.'

Passage? Salad? What are you talk ing about ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ be exclaimed.
"John Black. didn't I speak to you in the passage $\mathrm{P}^{\prime \prime}$ his wife almost screamed "Why, no, the doctor let me go ahead of him after we started!" cried Black. "What did you say""-Youth's Com panion.

## LOVE AND OLD AGE.

We forget that the inward craving of old age conceives of no anslogies and knows no reason why the old-time cares and fondling ehould be things of the past. It transmutes everything into neglect. Age-softens the heart, and the soul pines for the touch of the hand that would stroke the golden locke of a prattling child. Let's love them more than by mere sentiment! What would we do without these saints? Amid these reveriee, we reoall the lines of Elizabeth Gould:
"Put your arms around meThere, like that;
I want a little petting
At life's celting,
For 'tis harder to be brave
When feeble age comes oreeping
And finds me weeping
Dear onee gone.
Just a little petting
At life's setting:
For $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{m}}$ ald, alone, and tired
And my long life's work is done."
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