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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

The Collect for this Sunday reminds us of the quest of all spiritual men. Like John the Baptist we feel our imprisonment, we are conscious of the many hindrances to spiritual progress. we are more faithful than the despondanifested His power in salvation. The joy attendant upon the first coming of Jesus results from our recognition of the salvation effected by Him. We rejoice at Christmastide for then we celebrate the birth of Him who is called Jesus because He saves His people from their sins. The power of salvation is felt in our midst day by day. Nevertheless the conditions of life are such that we who appreciate the power of Jesus Christ in the work of salvation look forward to, long for, the time when He will come to manifest His power in judgment. If you seek a proof of the depth and sincerity of a man's spirituality you will find it in his estimate of the last day. It is a comfort and consolation to him for it will be the day of the revelation of God's power. The doctrine of
the last day brings us into touch with the uni versal, the absolute. The stability of the uni-
verse is due to the characteristics at the last day we shall have the supreme revelation of God's characteristics in all their power and glory. As never before we shall be con and glory. As never before we shall be con-
scious of His Omnipresence, for tle shall be present to all mankind. of His Omnipolence present to all mankind; of His Omnipotence things, of His Omniscience, brings everything to linht Judument brings everything to light. Judgment Day means the universal recognition of Him who
universal and therefore absolute. "O Lord raise up Thy power,"" we pray. The answer to our prayer comes even now in our day for sal our prayer comes even now in our day, for sal-
vation and judgment are to a certain extent coin cident. The complete answer will be given the last day. And the present manifestation Divine power and the future universal vindication of God's claims unite to cheer us on our heaver ward way The conditions of our day are and logous to those when the first believers aved We need to be encourayed as they were. Thim of our discourayements as heok uponn problems of life. "،, Tis looking down tha makes one dizzy," says the poet. Is not the poet right? Look onward and upward to that lat Day. It is the day of the manifestation (God's power. Who is God? some one asks. And our reply is the resumé of all our faith and hope, the inspiration of all our optimism in life.

God, Thou art Love!
I build my faith on that.
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## Dreams Before Christmas

"I chanced," writes Charles Lamb in his cap tivating essay "The Child Angel "upon the pret tiest, oddest, fantastical thing of a dream the other night, that you shall hear of." And are not his beautiful words a fitting prelude to the infinitely varied dreams of the myriads of Chris tian children-who with curious fancy wander through dreamland during the all too long hours of the night before Christmas-wondering "what could come of it." How many of our friendly readers with thinning hair and thickening wrinkles it may be, but whose eyes have not los their merry twinkle, and whose smiles are still responsive to the joyous memories of youth can still recall the dreams of those happy, happy nights of childish innocence before the dawn of Christmas day? What a blessed thing it is to retain, aye even to the end of life somewhat of that bright ethereal spirit of early childhoord! Childlikeness. That exquisite blending of the wisdom of age, with the modesty, purity, and gentleness of youth. The happy mortal thu sindarly blessed can share her


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## A Little Giver

How tender and sweet the joy of the little one who not content with awaiting the coming mornrood Santa Claus has stuffed almost to he bist good dant her overloaded stock - herself bursting point her overloaded stock-herself a minlature Santa Claus-creeps softly from her bed,
distributes her own litle gitts amungst the susdistributes her own little gitts amongst the suspended stockings of her loved ones-then báck begun. Of such an one the poet begun. Of such an one the poet Frechette has deautifuly written in his charming story, Little aume. And now hitte Paunne you do not hear the night. lou do not hear the sacred nymns loating in the illuminated sanctuaries, nor the harmonies of the great organs roaring and thundering under the arches of the lotty vaults. you do not see from your downy little bed, the pious rowd knceling around the manger which the infant Jesus outstretches his little arms.
No, but surely the good angels who looked at you this evening from the altitudes where they sang "Glory to God in Heaven, and peace on earth to men of good will," have descended towards you, my little Pauline, and now bend their heads over the white couch where you sleep, to kiss your brow, and bless your hittle great heart.'

## The Glastonbury Thorn

Therée is a currious legend about this famous horn tree, which avers that it sprang from the staff of Joseph of Arimathaea, who after the death of our Lord came to England, settled at Glastonbury and planted his walking staff in the ground. The staff sent out roots and put forth leaves and on the festival of the Nativity, nowers. At ical name of which is Cratogus Precox, will, in England, when the season is mild, put forth hlossoms abou, or before Christmas day. In Aubrey's Natural fistory of Witshire, there is an interesting reference to catings from this menarable tho 1 r. An one of the officers of the Earl of Pembroke, did in oculate, hot long belf ten yeares or more) a bud of Glastonbury thorn on a hom, al his lam house, at Witon, which blosser h , nother has had banches or then for a flowe poll, sever if hes are le wonder if there are any this his

## Santa Claus,

Is the spirit of Christmas," writes that benev olent Dane Jacob A. Riis, the one time friend of Hans Christian Andersen, and the all time friend and champion of the poor, the destitute, the down-trodden. Comparatively few men are as subject as this unselfish, great-hearted man. subject as this unselfish, great-hearted man. "when the dear liule Baby was born after Whom we call Christmas, and was cradled in a manger we cal in ins and out in the stable because there was not room in the inn, eaten the heant of men make them love one siter * * The steps of the real Santa Claus you can trace all throush the world * * * and when you stand in the last of his tracks you will find the blessed Babe of Bethlehem smiling a welcome to you. For then you will be home." How simple, direct and devout is this statement tender heart prompts to deeds of love and gen erosity, the wide world over, there, the spirit of Santa Claus is shown and even the bir

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#### Abstract

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Christmas Feast For The Bird
Amungst the motern Christmas custums in ghat may be mentioned that retericato The Story of Christ-Tide," by John Ashton. Most Chistmas Customs, "ntes Ashton, save erma Iree, cards an one of the prenest a tocelve gitts are ok, but one of tated by the Rev. I. Kenworthy, rector of Ackworth, in lork shire, about forty years since, of hanging a sheal corn outside the church porch, on Christma ve, for the special benefit of the birds. It seems pity that at untersally prattied in rural parishes." We heartily commend this humane and praiseworthy custom to our rural rectors in Canada. And though our city rectors would arcely know where to turn for a sheaf of corn for the birds, yet a handful of bread crumbs rould not, we are sure, be unnelcome to their eathered friends.

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The Future of Oxford and Cambridge

## In the press of political oratory at home

 peeches which on other occasions would be quoted and commented on at length are passed by unnoticed. Under these circumstances we may be excused for referring to one of Lord Rose bery's, which shows the change in University teaching in England, and suggests a future for xford and Cambridge to which we altogether dissent. Imperceptibly the Universities of Leeds, Kanchester, Birmingham, Sheffield and Newcastle have achieved positions, influence and wealth so as to show their determination to reach the lead mig positions. It is necessary to keep this in viewThe First Christmas Tree
Wh ciomms and the Chnstmas tiee bnilhami bougho laden with welome gitto. Henry Van fe in heds attrative sting, named in the words Rho the first Chnstmas the mouth of the Rhme, Lord izz. Wintred of 1 ingland - as Boniface "as called in his home land bad compasoed the destructon of the Thunder Gak of Thor, proclam ad the mesage of the Cross and taken a little fir
trom the forest: $\cdot W$ hen they came to the house of Gundhar, he bade them throw open the doors of the hall and set the tree in the midst of it. They kindled lights among the branches until it seemed to be tangled full of fire flies. The children encircled it wondering, and the sweet odour of the balsam filled the house. Then IVinfried stood beside the chair of Gunthar, on the dais at the end of the hall and told the story of Bethlehem - of the babe in the manger, of he shepherds on the hills, of the host of angels and their midinght song. All the people hise d, charmed into stilness. And the his panionts at the lower end of the hall, chanted panion's at the lower
their Christmas hymn:

## All glory be to God on high

And to the earth be peace!
od-will, henceforth from heaven to men
Begin, and never cease.
Truly this beautiful picture of the founding in the far off days of the Church's history ofilasgowmate it a leception given him Dy GlasgonChisersty graduates living in Londun. "Manyyento dgo, he sald, ${ }^{\prime} 1$ dined with the GlasgowLniveraty (lub in London, and spent a veryplearant evenmg. Un this occasion 1 expectedpedsant cremmg. On thes vocasion 1 expectedsomethnng smmar, a checriul hatle gathering ofthinty or toits people, and possibly churchwardensatter dmmer. But motedad, he found he had tohundteds of pentlemen, and in the dining hall hishundreds of pentlemen, and in the dining hall his"Uorst tears acre calazed, reporters were presentSphlmbing up in recent years in England, heand, were the mopiring thgures of new Cniversithes, showing an uprising of intellectual interes"hich was full of promise at a time when all inthe tuture of this country "as not so full of hope.But what was to be the character of those Lniversities, and what the future of the older seatsof learning? How was the field of work to bedelimited, or was it not to be delimited at all, andwere the older Liniversities to compete in anignominious rivalry with the newer schouls? ...am very doubtul personally," he said, "of theresult of pouring new wine into old bottles. Ithink," he added, "that Oxford and Cambridgemust remain immemorial shrines of that exquisitlearning which they have provided for centuries
$\square$
Here is the only time in the long calendar of the ear when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut up hearts freely.-Charles Dickens.

Right happy Christmas that can win us bach to the delusions of our childish days; that can transport the traveller, thousands of miles away, back to his own fireside and his quiet home!Charles Dickens.

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## THE SILENT REVOLUTION.

The term "revolution" is a noisy kind of a word. It suggests times of storm and stress, the crash of empires, the breaking up of ancient institutions, violent upheavals, thundrous exand clash of opposing factions, tumults and disorders, sudden changes and reversals, and, in short, all the accompaniments of some mightv and far-reaching convulsion. Such times, we know, have come and come again in the history of the human race. And yet, when the smoke has cleared away and the "shouting and the umult" died down, things have gone on much as they did before. There has been very little real change. Things have, no doubt, changed outwardly, but all that it has amounted to is this, that the same old things have been done in a new way. There has been no radical or fundamental change. The wheel has turned full circle, it is true, but it is the same old wheel. Those who were undermost have become uppermost, and those uppermost, undermost, ap pne of position. Human nature at the top or ne of position. Human nature at the op or bottom of the wheel is still precisely the same, and the great revolution that was to re-create the ditions than the changing of the top half of a column of figures to the bottom and of the bottom half to the top would affect the general esult. The actual recult is exactly the same in both cases. In the event which we are now commemorating we have a supreme and unique illustration of the fact that all the real revolutions in human history have been silent ones. They have come unolserved, and by means the last and least suspectfd. Just concider the case
in point. The birth of an obscure Tewish in point. The birth of an obscure Jewish
peasant's son proves to be the most impertant event in the history of mankind. Four letters in
eneral use prove this, "if nothing else does, viz., B.C. and A.D. By universal consent the civilized world has made the birth of this humble peasant's child the central fact in human hisindi. Two practical lessons as they affect the individual and the community seem to naturally follow upon this. First, we must not expect too much from sudden and violent revolu. ions within ourselves. Men, we do not deny, semetimes seem to change suddenly, fundamentally and permanently. But if the truth were known they were unconsciously ready for it. The stream had been silently and steadily undermining the barrier, and the event which produced the sudden yielding was the occasion, not the cause. It is as absolutely certain as any other widely observed law can be that no real moral change, or transformation, or revolution ever took place as the result of some single unforeseen event, and, as it were, by main force. As well attempt wrench the child into the stature of the full-grown man. The Christ that is born in each of us must, therefore, follow Kinese universa an", with we "colws. The observation", but has its lowly and rinnings, its slow and silent growth, its almes impercentible development its mastery in each individual heart as Chris came into and conquered the world as Christ truc of mankind in the min and. And the is at large. The world is being silently and ford ally transformed, and what is absolutely certain there is no other way of doing it. Markind has been slow to learn this lesson, hut there are in dications that the race, as a whole, is beginning to grasp the fact that things will not he revo lutionized by sudden and violent outbursts and applications of force. Despite many superficial indications to the contrary, it is becoming evident that the age of "revolutions," in the commonly accepted meaning of the term, is passing,
and that the lessons of the past have not been altogether thrown away. Mankind is gradually accepting the fact that sudden and violent changes bring nothing but reaction and loss, and that "patience must be left to do "her perfect work." For in each individual the question remains, "Has Christ been really born in our hearts? Have we accepted Him as our leader and Master? Has the silent revolution begun? Christmas is truly named. It is not the mere commemoration of an historical fact, but it stands for all those distinctive virtues, glorified and immortalized in His person. It is Christ's Festival. What is it to us-the blind mechanical following of a custom that we have inherited as we have other customs and usages, good, bad, and indifferent, or is it really and truly the up welling and overflowing of the Christ born within us.

Though Christ a thousand times In Bethlehem be born,
If He's not born in thee,
Thy soul is still forlorn.
the festival of reconciliation.
A Christianity which does not tend to recon cile mankind, i.e., to promote good-will and mutual toleration, cannot be regarded as any thing but a failure. The primary object of Christianity is to unite men. Incidentally, Christianity has temporarily divided men, but that was only with the ulterior object of permanently reuniting them. From our past divisions we have learned, or are learning, the lesson of the higher and better unity, the ground had to be cleared for the foundation. We had to learn suffer for them so as to prevent their repetition.

But it is not this phase of our "unhappy dive ons upon which we would dwell, and whose pecially and ending the Christmas season ar less exgests. Wersonal differences, so easily aroused and so hardly allayed, which poison the lives of so many of us, and bring reproach upon our common Christianity. Christmas we have called "The Festival of Reconciliation," and, as a rule, it is generally accepted in this spirit. Popularly, it is regarded as a period for making up our differences, for the healing of feuds, for the settlement of disputes, and for the establishNew, it is-establer ment ow, ill a matre se for who will take the trouble of a mew ferences the things essentially trivial in ferences are due to hemselves. Let any man of ordrary he past kence candiay he will be forced to this con lusion. He will, if he is honest be bound to acknowledge that the differences which have arisen between him and his fellowmen have had their origin, not in some grievous wrong pr injury, but in something in its nature essentially frivolous and unimportant. It is the little grievances of life, and especially the slights, which really count in this respect. It is comparatively easy to forgive a serious injury. We brace ourselves for the effort, and rise to the occasion. and are often rewarded by a pleasing sense of our own magnanimity and enhanced self-respect espect has been wounded. we have been made to feel small. Not to resent a slight ton often brands a man as mean-spirited. There is no bory in it. it is unfortunately any put down to a lack of self-respect and macaulay so
unjustly remarked in the case of Cranmer, men who are "below resentment," and a man naturally dreads to be included in this category. He fears that his motives may be misinterpreted. Then there are our instinctive dislikes, which divide us. What strange and mysterious impulses come under this head! These dislikes and personal aversions, which often we cannot begin to explain or define, or which are founded upon some personal defect or peculiarity. It is a curious fact that we are infinitely more inour fellowm it is a sill he corious our fellowmen, and it is a stil more curious fact that there is it a a pormer of ften used apologetically, that one "cannot hel his likes and dislikes," From this we utterly dissent. A man, perhaps, cannot help the impulse towards certain likes and dislikes, but he need not give way to them, and impulses can most assuredly be corrected, transformed, and most assuredly be corrected, transformed, and likes. As well say that water must be allowed to run where it likes and vegetation to grow where it likes. Nine-tenths of our dislikes are utterly irrational and unjustifiable, and something to be heartily ashamed of. Not infrequently people are secretly proud of these inndicatio dislikes. They regard them as an indication of a certain acuteness of mind. The posed use through people"; they cannot be can read upon by a plausibe exterior; the known it is just exactly the opposite. They are the poorest judges of character in existence. It is they who are imposed upon and carried away by appearances, it is they who are lacking in Their personal prejudices and dislikes, there fore, instead of being an indication of superior
mindedness, mark them out as persons of de ficient or undeveloped intelligence. At thi Christmas season, when the question of th, in evidence, it and to the general gain if we could candidly an honestly consider this matter, not only of ou injuries, but of our slights and personal dis ikes. The way in which we act in regard $t$ hese apparently, but only apparently, trivia depth and vitality of Christianity. Try an conquer some dislikes and forgive some sligh during this Christmas season

St. Andrew's Day was marked by an event er firely unique in the history of the Canadia hurch. On that day was consecrated the first © le me gathered for the ceremony in St. James", To, a happy prophecy for the new Bishop and $h$ diocese. Slowly the choir led the way through th church singing that old rally cry, written by a so f the Church, "Onward Christian Soldiers ! Then came the clergy, about forty in numbd ith Canons, Archdeacons Bishops and Arcl ishop following. The bright hoods and th carlet Convocation robes gave a pleasing touc Archbishon the dim lieht of the old fance. Th Bishop of Ontarin was the Epistoler, and Bishon of Niagara read the Gospel, the gre mmission of the Church. The Bishop of Hurc, and Bishop Reeve presented Dr. White to'th


Church Missionary first three years he was doing pioneer work in Kienning in Fuh Kien, where there were only twenty Christians in a population of two millions. In addition to ordinary evangelistic work, he was able to begin a small dispensary and hospital, thus gaining access to the homes and hearts of the people. Here he had to endure frequent riot. and at last on the outbreak of the Boxer uprising he was ordered to withdraw to the coast. After the massacre, a return to the previous field being impossible, the C.M.S. appointed him to Longuong. His work was the supervision of established missions having three thousand Christians and two thousand adherents and catechumens. There were sixty or more congregations in the district of Longuong, Ningtiak, an Lieng Kong, and the territory was divided among the Church councils (something like a Diocesan (Synod on a small scale). The educational work was well developed-day schools for boys and girls and women's classes. There was staff of twelve women who did the teachirfg, evangelistic and medical work. In this place Dr. White was able to publish his English-Chinese dictionary in the Fuh Kien *language which is now used largely by all missionaries requiring that language. In $1903{ }^{\circ}$ Dr. White came to Canada ôn furlough, and on his return was sent to Fuchow to take up new special work among the mandarin and wa: the result of the general awakening of China. Every thing western was sought not always purely from the single desir pors. Bet tian religion. But the opening was an opportunity not to be lost. Here Dr. Whice was abl tocturing in the C M.S. Theolecturing in the al logical College and to leper seme his work was first aroused at Fuh Kien, and all through his years in China be has been a promoter of the movement. In Fuchow the leper settlement had four hundred inmates. During the last three years the literati of China have been making strenuous efforts to curtail the traffic in opium


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Our New Diocese. The first conference of the Anglican Church in China held at Shanghai in rgo7, invited the Canadian Church to send out a Brshop and staff of clergy to take charge of a province wholly untouched by the Anglican Church. Our General Synod in 1908, on the report of the Executive Committee of the M.S.C.C. ince of Haty responded. In rgos the civil prothe new diocese with the sanction of the for
bishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of North China, and the Presiding Bishop of the American Church. The British Foreign. Office legalized the action. The Province of Honan is in the centre of North China. Its area is 67,940 square mifes, about the size of England and Wales. The population is about thirty-five millions, giving 520 persons to the square mile. This great population occupy themselves partly in the production of cotton, hemp, silk, tobacco, and the mining of aron and coal, but chienty in farming. and in the north, the crops are millet and wheat, and in the
sotth, rice. The province has been called "The
ne win on account of the fertility of chure and east the all cqually fertule. In the en trees. 1 he south and neat and seandy with mountern south and "est have beautifu treat for the missionaries. The climate is dry and bracing, somewhat like that chmate is dry practically no snow on like that of Ontario, but the winter. The people, chiefly farmers, are trong in body, simple and reliable in character cleanlinecs up to the Anglo-Saxon standard o cleanliness. They speak the mandarin language-
the official tongue which is used over two-third closed by order of the officials through the activity of the Chinese Anti-Opium Society But disappointment seemed the result of their efforts when one Parsee commenced to manufac
ture the drug from the raw material and offer it for private sale. The consul at first refused to interfere. But largely through the influence of Dr. White he afterwards stopped this private
selling. Had this not been done many more private salesmen would be operating, who were private salesmen the result of the test case. This waiting to see the result of the the ctere classes to our missionary. From this work, Dr. White was called to be our first Missionary-Bishop. We see that God in His good time has raised up the man for the work. Dr. White enters the new field with an experience and standing which, under God's
north passes through , th
centre of the province Peking which is fourteen day
Per by rail from Paris. Kai Feng the capital, is a city of 200,000 about like Toronto. It is thre and a half miles across and $i$; surrounded by an immens wall fifteen miles long. It it asy of access, being sever miles from the south bank o he great Yellow River. (Ou missionaries, however, will ge Yangtse). Kai Feng is the ast provincial capital to be pened to Europeans. His orically, Honan is very im portant. Fuh-tsi, the legendar founder of the Chinese Em ire, is said to have come fron Konan. Langtzu, the origin Honan. Confucius was governor of the northern par of the province. Kai Feng it 960 A.D. was the capital of th whole empire, and traveller still may see the Emperor' palace now used for heathe are fairly strong in the city and strangely enough, the Jews had a colony there twenty five years ago. But they hav been absorbed by intermarr age, some have lapsed int, idolatry, and others have be come Mohammedans, Christia effort in Honan is largely cor fined to the two stronges agencies,-the mission of th Canadian Presbyterian Churc in the north of the provinc and the China Inland Missio in the south. The most cordid elations exist with all th missions working there, an they are warmly anticipatin he work of our claure in Kai Feng where he intend to start his mission in evange ith and pastoral activiti with an educational basis. Th in the training of native Chinese pastors an cachers. The present opportunity in China cducational. Our plans include boarding schoo for boys and for girls, High and Normal schools. with institution in Arts and Science, and a Thed logical College. This will be the only Christia educational centre in Honan. Nothing like it nearer than Peking on the north, Han Kow 9 the south, Weihsien on the east, and the we, absolutely no rival. The other in Honan have no colleges, and in probabilit leges. Of course this is all in the future, Bisho

$\qquad$ great in the truest sense without discipline. At the root of sound discipline lies obedience. How well the great dramatist expounds the profound
wisdom of and necessity for this stirling quality: "Therefore doth heaven divide the state of man in

 man to encrous chuation that which fits ously all the offices, both private and public. peace and war." And how can that complete and generous education of a man begin better may w.
ask, than by piving him a thorouph ask, than by giving him a thorough grounding in
habits of obedience and discipline, and at leat a rudimentary knowledge of the principles and $\cdots$
SUDDEN DEATH.

From time to time the shadow of sudden death falls with startling unexpectedness upon some happy home. A member of the family, who, in the morning, went forth, semingly strong and Well, to discharge his daily duties, is at some silently to his bereaved family. Or, it may be

CONTENTMENT.
Don't be constantly envying these of your companions who appear to be more succesful than cou, but becontemed is th your lot, and succest will in the end crown yout eftert. Ne apree with the pe
who say, "Contentment make. men happy."
trust.
Life would be impracticable unlen it were the primary rule to believe what in whed ut. There is not a single relation in adult life in which we are not compelled to depend upon the word of anIVe believe certain think representing them-in their honour, their chatity, their affection, their
faithfulness. To what kind of condition woukl faithfulness. in what kind of condition would life be reduced if we apply to these matter-"the
universal duty of questioning all that we believe :"

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but the Reforma but the Reforma-
tion brought


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until he receive the carly and the latter rain. The man in the pew must be converted from the (old to the new way of looking at things; but you cannot convert him with a club. He is a goud sort, the old-fashioned Churchman. He has the grace of the sacrament, in him, although it often works secretly. The most rapid method is not always the most thorough or the most lasting. Try converting him, not from without but from
within. Let him see, not your intellectual superwithin. Let him see, not your intellectual super-

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A CHEERFUL FACE.

To the young parson, with his vision of Catholic ruth or Catholic worship, or social betterment, or higher learning, we would say, Don't give up
your vision if you
feel and know that it is bed-sent; but do not hold it selfishly or arrogantly. If you feel and know it to be true, and know that it is God's good know to to you, you must hold it and you must teach it. But hold it lovingly and teach it patiently. Paul planted and Apollos watered, but it was God alone Who gave the increase. "Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it,

Now Came Still Evening On.
frity, but your spiritual reality. When he realize what this new light has done for you, he may be willing to let it do something for him: You must bring him in God's way, and in God's time, realize that the new wh oursor bor he outgrowth of the oid; then he will accept it gladly, as bringing our blessed lord nearer t him. Do not mind waiting. Do pet mind being misunderstood. Do not mind suf
passing impul解 alard of rixht doine Thus he is, first of true to himself, and in so being be is true all others. If he makes a promise, he is sure keep it; if he enters into a contract, he will fulf it both in letter and spirit; if he assumes a rel tion, he will be certain to discharge its o

## December 10, 1909.


#### Abstract

A SISTER'S LOVE.


Who can tell the thoughts that cluster around the word sister? How ready she is to forgive the errors, to excuse the foibles of a brother. She never deserts him. In adversity she clings closely to him, and in trial she cheers him. And when

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Hark ! the Christmas bells are ringing-ringing through the frosty air-happiness to each one bringing, and release from toil and care.

Discovery of an ancient irish will IN YORK.

The Rev. W. Ball Wright informs the "York-
shire Herald" that whilst examining a volume of
1 the and 15 th century Latin wills in York, pub-
linhed in is 80 , by the Surtees Society, he found the will of Walter De Brugge, Canon of York, dated 1390 . 1 n it De Brugge left directions that dated 1 jyy. In it De Brugge left directions that
if he died in I reland he was to be buried in the if he died in Ireland he was to be buried in the chancel of St. Patrick's Church, Trim, County Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin; also a gold chalice patrick sathedral, and a large new missal to the cathedral, so that they might make a special memorial of ham at
the high altar. He also left vestments and his ordinal of the Sarum Use to St. Patrick's Caordinal of the Sarum Cse to St. Patrick's Ca-
thedral, and I.agamon's Brut and Visions of Piers Plowman and a llarmony of the (rospel and other books to friends. Though dated in Trim, the will books to friends. Though dated in 1o rim, he will
was proved in. York, which secms to show he died in the latter city. He also mentions his patrons, I. ionel Duke of Clarence and E.dmund Count of March, who were Earls of Clister in Ireland. He lef: 10 marks to the church of his Prebend of Fenton in York Minster. Mr. Wright at once wrote to Dr. Bernard, the Dean of St. Patrick's, and asked him if he had ever seen or heard of the will, and received a reply in the negative, whereupon he sent him a copy. Subsequently a reply was received to the effect that Walter De Brugge was Canon of St. Patrick's, Dublin, and Archdeacon of Meath, but they had no knowledge of the will nor any record of him in the cathedral, but that in the Patent Rolls there were some notices of him. It is remarkable that the will should have lain in York 513 years, until an Irish clergyman came across it and was enabled to identify it. It is believed to be one of the oldest Irish wills in existence, as it was dated at T'm the Monday next before the Feast of St. Michael, A.D. 1396. Proved September 3oth.
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contemplation.-Th artist has touched high water mark in this beautiful and attractive portrait Beauty of mind and of body are combined, we are sure, with tender heart and an amiable dispositio in the contemplativ maiden before $u$
Now Came still Evening On. - Ful well has the artist caught the subtle an impressive suggestive ness of the poet's
charming line. Here s a noble lover's walk-for knight and maiden of high de gree, or for the hum le swain and hi chosen mate

Cottage Gar-den.-Fair lilies blow ing for Easter-tid and fair maidens ministering to thei growth. Yeend King is happy in his pastot nes. This is by o means the leas tractive of then

## Madonna and Child.

 -This is evidently very modern photo raphic portrait. probably a fair epresentation of the attempt to modernize he personalities the sacred stor
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 ive indeed is thi ffectively represented he spiritual presence of the risen Saviou and the awed but af fectionate devotion ofGathering Dalsies.-


## ANADIAN CHURCHMAN

## anestness in the world adjusts the lume

Disgrace to His Family. A Credit to His amily.-The demure Blackamoer of family roup - the dashing hero of the other, are graphic ypes of failure and success in the life of the uvenile doggie. The moral of these moving pictures will persuasively appeal to our ounger readers.

Our Spiritual Mother

## The Cottage Carden

Yeend King

Our Spiritual Mother.-Beautiful and touching, ") all who love Her, is the article on the above valued exchange, the "Scottish appeared in our of it reads as follows :- "Our heavenly." Part the Church, is continually administering to the spiritual wants, and comforts, and edification of spiritual wants, and comforts, and edification of time she calls them
her own at holy baptism until their departure to join the unseen ranks of the Commin her Book of sets forth her lessons, her wishes, her warnings, and her prebreathes in this she ing words, and provides those ${ }^{\text {a }}$ consolatory and blessed
means of grace which means of grace which
alike gladden the adverse or prosperous 'in all time of their tribulation, and in all, time of their wealth.' needful for the Christian life, and, as a vides and adna
various means of grace. How beautifully is her year chequered with joy and sorrow. Feast and fast, gloom and the joy of Christmas The joy of Christmas. sion. The calmness of präctical life succeeds the season of piri, and precedes the contemplation of the second Advent. Here and there, son, the sorrow of self-denial is cheered by theday of her Lord's resurrection, and the days of her times of triumph are relieved by the days of Rogaof Ordination. Hen very Festivals are ler Vigils are sus er ligs are sus special joy. *** et she cherishes no her like attention'and

What'll You Have? - For our part we would p "Home Sweet Home," if the dear little favour te of some happy home will favour us with that well known air.
Indisposed-This young gentleman has evi dently returned from the wars and is, we hope onvalescing after his, no doubt, vigorous effor o uphold the honour of his kenne. No doubt he impressed on his douchty opponent his ability

On the high and the low she sprinkles like the bright new birth. For mighty kings and the meanest citizen she has the same holy ervices, the same blessed sacraments, and the ame sacred means of grace. When the bodies f her children are committed to the narrow grave he makes no distinction; she knows none. She ings the sam: funeral lay for the lord of the palace as for the beggar in the lowly hut. christens the bodies of all in the same way, 's



CHRIStMAS comes but once a year.
Heap on the coals with generous hand. And hang the garland-green and fair:
light up the "ondrous magic tree. And spread the board with viands rare.
Whateer is hid, let joy appear.

I.et horns be blown, and rockets fired. And good old-fa hioned games be plaved: let happy children laugh and dance. And tales of "long ago" be said. I.et songs be sung to sonthe and cheer.

Let severed household bands unite, Let heads forbear to scheme and plot
Let merry, harmless jests go 'round,
Let foes be friends, and friends more dear,
For "Christmas comes but once a year."
Oh, for the sake of Him whose day
Of birth you keep so jornusly
Be quick to share with those less blessed,
What He hath given so lavishly,
His porr, that are so very near,
Whose "Christmas comes but

Thank (ind, th weary hearts and homes -in man i- born into the wrild whose work nut born with him: there is always work, lad brocolel are the horny hands of toil! The man who -i.ands with arms akimbo I mit meaton tells him what to do:
lud he who wais. th have his task marked ou
shall dic and leave his errand unfulfilled.

Don't Forget. A cuccessful buiness man says cre were two thing that he learned when he as cighteen which were afterwards of great use th him-namely, never to lose anything, and never to forget anything. An old lawyer sent him with an important paper, with certain in--tructions what to do with it. "But." inguired the young man. "-uppose I lose it-what shall I do then?" The answer was, with the utmost emdo so," said the young man ; "but suppose that hould happen?" "But I say it must not happen ! I shall make no provision for any such occurrence. You must not lose it." This put a new train of thoughts into the young man's mind, and he found that if he was determined to do a thing he could do it. He made such provisions against every contingency that he never lost anything. He found this equally true about forgetting. If a certain matter of importance was to be remember-
ed. he pinned it down on his mind, fastened it ed, he pinned it down on his mind, fastened it
thereand made it stay.

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## CHRISTMAS HERE AND YONDER

## By w. Letterman Smith.

It was bitterly cold. Snow was falling in finc, feathery flakes. Times were hard. Men and women, boys and girls, too, in great numbers had been recently laid off at factories and mills, had been recently laid off at factories and mills.
Poverty abounded. Cupboards were bare. CelPoverty abounded. Cupboards were bare. Ced
lars were empty. Money was scarce, and credit gone. And Christmas day-Christmas, the time for feasting and merry-making - was but two days off. Out in the cold and snow, looking in at the gaily decorated windows of the principal shopping strect of the factory town and peering pers, was an old man, half blind, half deaf, half lame, half-wited, his clothine thin and worn, but neatly patched, accompanied by a young girl, not far advanced in her teens, who was also thin ly clad, but clean and neat. An orphan child she with the sole care of her aged and well-migh helpless grandfather whose declining years she brightened by her checry, hopeful, disposition and superb devotion. She was the very idol of the old man's heart. How could he live without her? How indeed? "What's all this? Why's everything lit up? Why's the shops so gay? Why's so many people out to-night? Buying! Buying! Buying! Why's they a buying so much tonight?" queried the old man as, leaning on the arm of his faithful grandchild, he tottered along by her side. "Why, it's Christmas time, Grandpap. Don't you
know? Christmas! Christmas! you know? Christmas! Christmas! you
haven't forgot Christmas, have you? haven't forgot Christmas, have you?
There, now, what an old forgetter you are," and the child looked up laughing into the old man's face as he mumbled "God bless you, my child. You're good to your old grandpap. Christmas! Yes,
Christmas! But what's Christmas?" Christmas! But what's Christmas?",
"Oh! you dear old creature, you. Are "Oh! you dear old creature, you. Are
you a heathen not to know what Christmas is, when our dear Lord was born in a stable; and the angels sang in the sky; and the shepherds came; and the star shone; and the wise men came all the way from the East. Oh! what a forgetter you are, to be sure." So they wandered about, these two together for an hour or more, and then returned to their little scantily furnished attic room. "Well, it ain't cold in here anyways, grandpap," said the girl as she hustled the old man into the room and
closed the door. "Here now sit up by closed the door. "Here now sit up by
the fire and toast your feet, and get good and warm while I boil the coffee and cut the bread, and we'll have supper in a jiffy, and you'll feel better, I know." And she drew up the old arm chair in front of the stove and settled her grandfather comfortably in it ; and then bustled about preparing their simple meal, singing all the while one of those beautiful Christmas hymns her grandfather delighted to hear. "Now, then, grandpap, supper's ready; and you're ready for it, I know. So am I." "Ready !
Yes. But ain't it all we've rot? What's we a hes. But ain't it all we've ,ot? "Why, we've got going to do for to-morrow? enough to last us
beans, a whole pint of them, en beans, a whole pint of them, enough to last us
all day; and we needn't drink all the coffee toall day; and we needn't drink all the comerrow. night and then we thankful. Some's worse off Let's eat and be thankful. Some's worse off
'n we. The Lord will provide. Cheer up. We'll have a good Christmas." And the old man was comforted. Christmas eve came. The young girl, who had been thrown out of work when the girl, who had been thrown out of earned barely
factory shut down, and who had enough since by doing odd jobs to keep herself and her grandfather alive, had been trying all day, but without success, tô make a few pennies with which to purchase something to eat for

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the morrow, Christmas day And now, leaving
the old man alone, she was off again to seck an opportunity to honestly gain enough to buy a loaf of bread and a little coffee for Christmas day. The clock on the neighboring factory had long since struck the hour of eight. Two hours
alone and the old man was restless pacing the alone and the old man was restless pacing the floor, stumbling over chairs, catching his foot more than once on the edge of the old mattress, the child's bed, that protruded from the corner of the room and would most persistently get in his way, and, gazing out the little window, wondering why she didn't come. He opened the in- "No, and muttered to himself as he looked starve in cold and datoess. It matt starve in cold and darkness. It matter not to
me. I'm old. I can't in the way. But Miriam! Poor, little Miriam! in the way. But Miriam! Poor, little Miriam! here"" and the old man broke down, and moaned, and sobbed and wept. As he stood thus, the room door opened and in came Miriam. whom cold and excitement had combined to make flush and rosy. How sweet she looked! How fascinating! How bright and cheery-her presence a


## Madonna and Child

benediction! "Here I am, grandpap, safe and sound. You'd thought I'd run off and left you for good and all, now didn't you? And you a tanding therc , now dide board, and not a caring one bit, you old scamp But dear me dear me", she continued as the old man slowly turned around, "you've been old man Slowly turned around, your ge bect Tell your little girl. Is it the empty cupboard Well, well, cheer up now. Look a here! Look a here' See what I've brought. Look! quick! oh! how slow wou are! Look right into this hasket, you dear old man, and see what's here. And all ours. Fvery bit of it ours, yours and mine. Look! Here's a piece of flitch, and half a dozen eggs, and a whole loaif of bread, and here's a little coffee, too. There now. And I'm to go early to-morrow for a bucket of coal, as much as I can carry. And it ain't so far neither. And we're a going to have a good Christmas dinner, too, I can tell you. Cheer up. The Lord will provide. He has provided. So cheer up and be thankful." The words fairly tripped over each other in the sight of such rich
provision, coukt not comprehend. "Nów come right here, and sit by the fire, but it's almost Hone, and I'll tell you all." And so she did. How she had wandered about the shopping work, or errand, by which she might earn enough to provide something, anything, to eat on Christmas day. How she saw a woman, with two small children tugging at her skirts, carrying two baskets, one of them large and heavily laden. How she offered to carry the basket and mind the children. How her offer was accepted. How when she reached the house the woman bade her come in, and listened as she told her, in an-t swer to her inquiries, about her grandfather, herself and their impoverished condition. And how, when she had finished, the kind woman to packed he backet and gave it to her, telling her to come on the morrow for coal, and the course of the day. Then they rejoiced together: the old man and the young girl, and that night she lulled the old and hymuep with those sweet, Christmas carols and hymns he so dearly loved to hear her sing Christmas morning dawned clear anc
cold. The young girl, having with great difficulty carried the scuttle of coal from the kind lady's house and gathered som bits of wood she found nearby, now bus tled about, getting the breakfast-a sim ple meal to be sure, but a feast, indeed to these poor creatures - cheerily singing her grandfather's favorite Christma: hymns, while the bells in the steeple far and near pealed out their glad Christ mas chimes. The old man lay quietl; on his bed, and the voice of his grand daughter blended with the voices of and daughter, and with the voices of an formed into the sweeter music of heaven ly harps and viols. The old man wa dead. And Christmas day! Dead more. His voice-here harsh and crack ed, there sweet and mellow-now join with the melodious voices of saints an angels in the great hallelujah chorus praise unto the King that was born i earthly poverty, but now reigns as Loy bors did all they could for the distresse child. The worn out body of the of kind ladv came and took the lone girl to her home and gave her emplof ment as maid. "The Lord will provid He has provided for me, and for de Blesied be the name of the Lord. Blessed Blessed be the name of the Lord.
every one that trusteth in him."-said the orphe girl a she foncluded her prayer that first nig in her cozy, little room in her new home. "Southern Churchman."

WHAT IS YOUR "PERSUASION.
This question was asked be an officious visit of a dying man in a hospital. "Persuasion hey they had caught a vision of the king in beauty and the land ha is far suaded that neither death nor life, nor ange nor primeipalitics, nor powers, hor thins pp sent, wer creature, shall be able to separs nor any other creace, shod which is in Chr Jesus."
bright and happy Christmas to you! $\mathbf{I}$ Phillips Brooks.

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FORTHE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS.
The girls of Blaketon were a pretty lively set.
here were the Academy girls, and the High
hool girls, and Madame Lafitte's girls; and
any of the brightest of all three sets were in
e Sunday School. They were scattered through
lf a dozen classes, and when school was over
ch Sunday, what a chattering of girl voices and
ighter! The tired superintendent would toss
s gray hair back and smile, for it was a very
easant sound to hear. Of course there were
lates) and sleepy, and the tree will be thrown out
into the vacant lot next
intg the vacant lot next door, and the holly will
begin to turn yellow. Oh, it's miserable to think of. I'm always just horrid, after Christmas, in spite of all the good resolutions I've been making
for three weeks." Dolly paused, breathless, after her long speech. Her face was flushed, and her
brown eves shone with jut a bit of moisture. It was not casy to speak about these things to the other girls, you see. They were
silent a moment; then Susie broke out impulsively: "Look here, girls, let's get together and
have a club for carrying Christmas, the real Christmas spirit, right over into January-" "And clear on to the next Christmas!" put in
Madge with enthusiasm. "What shall we call it? Who will belong?" cried two or three. "Anybody can belong. Now for a good name." "The Well
Wishers!"" "The Good Cheer Society !"" "The Keep-It-Up Girls!" These and other titles for
the new organization were suggested but the the new organization were suggested, but the
name finally adopted was the "After Christmas Club." Several meetings were held in the homes of the founders of the club. New members flocked in, attracted by the novelty of the idea. On the very day after Christmas the test came. As
Dorothy had predicted, every one was disposed to be a little irritable and fault-finding; but the fact of the existence of the After Christmas Club, and
eagerness to live up to its aim, helped its members to put down all unpleasant feelings and meet the day, and those that followed, with a sunny
face and cheerful heart. "I declare", said old face and cheerful heart. "I declare," said old
Mrs. Brown, the washwoman, "I believe rich folks have some feelin's, arter all. They're
gin'rally satisfied with givin' away gin'rally satisfied with givin' away suthin' at
Thanksgivin' an' Christmas, but them came round the next day, jest as 'twas beginning to seem lonesome, an' I could see the end o' the
cold turkey, with my four children so keen arter
it, an' what do you think? They'd found two new jobs for me, reg'lar ones, an' besides, they gave This is not a chronicle of all the doings of the
"After Christmas Club," nor has the story any special "end." In true life, stories have no real end, but keep right on, as these girls are doing. The task was not an easy one, for there were
times when the skies were gray, and spirits flagged, and gentle deeds and words were thank-
lessly received; but the Club persevered lessly recelved; but the Club persevered, and
bids fair to grow in numbers and usefulness all through the year until "Merry Christmas!" is
again heard on every side, and the Christmas spirit of cheer and good will makes life glad and full of sunshine. Who will be the first to start
another "After Christmas Club?"-_Sunday another "After Christmas Club?"-"Sunday
School Times."

Turkish Proverbs.-Do good and throw it into the sea; if the fish know it not, the Lord will.
Who fears God need not fear man. If a man would live in peace, he should be blind, deaf, and dumb. A small stone often makes a great noise.
A foolish friend is át times a greater annoyance than a wise enemy. If thy foe be as small as a
gnat, fancy him as large as an elephant. A friend is worth more than a kinsman. If my beard is burnt, others try to light their pipes at it.
The dogs bark, but the caravan passes. You'll not sweeten your mouth by saying "Honey."
They who know most are oftenest cheated. More is learned from conversation than from books. He rides seldom who never rides any but a bor-
rowed horse. The fish that escapes appears greater than it is. Trust not to the whiteness of his turban; he bought the soap on credit.

## the applebanks' christmas.

The girls stood over the register during the recess between the Sunday School and church service, and listened :o Mrs. Williams' cheery, persuasive voice, as, with a little book in her hand, she was flitting about like a bird among the congregation. "What is she begging for now, I wonder?" said Annabel Monroe, with curl of her pretty lip. "I never saw any one like Mrs. Williams. She is or money for something or money for something. I believe she has money on present for the it's for st." said the organ 'Mrs Shipley don't hav wuch. to live on, and she nuch to live on, and as played in Sunday chool so long. It hear ocial the other evening She needn't come near m. haven't a single cent for haven't a single cent for o buy presents to eround o buy presents to go round actually have to fo in debt every year," said Annie Lee, "in order to get all my friends a little something, and then I never am satisfied. I can't afford to et nice presents. just get nice presents; just know nobody cares for D you know, girls, I don't think we keep the Lord Jesus Christ's birthday in a very Christ-like manner? have a great mind to make new departure this year." "How?" said the two girls. "Well," said Annie, flush ing a little, "I can't help thinking every single Christmas of what he said ou know: 'The poor you have with you always, bu Me you have not always;' and 'Inasmuch as ye do it anto one of the least of these ye do it unto Me. And I think every time now, next year, I'll give lots of Christmas presents oo the poor; but Christma comes and goes, and my relatives and friends get all; and they don't need it a bit." "That's so," said Annabel, "but what can we do? We have to give presents to our friends because they give to us. And there are so many. Why, ten dollars will not begin to cover mine this year. Well, said Annie thoughtfully, 1 havent got ten dollars to buy presents with, but I believe Ifl apply what I have some other way this year. It
is Christ's birthday, and is Christ's birthday, and He ought to have the gifts. I've been thinking of the Applebanks. Johnnie is the best boy in my class. They are such good folks and so poory $\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{e}}$ Applebanks has been down with inflammatory rheumatism for six weeks, and the mill has stopped running, and Sarah is out of work, and the only way they can get anything is Applebanks taking in washing. I feel so sorry for

rabboni.
e not, for am nor yet asoended to My Father." St. John 20th, 16th.

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hem." "Ilell, I'm as sorry, tou," said Lida Rees, "and I wish I could join you in making hem a nice Christmas. But my money is all aid upon the attar of friendship." "And mine 0 , said Annabel. "But, Anme, I'll try to save something next year to make the right kind of presents. I never thought of it before, but you re right. Christ ought to be the central thought our giving. It was the day before Christ nas-a cold day, promising a colder night, and
ping in between the lining and the leather, and, finally in despair, had gone herself, and, finally in despair, had gone herself, across the road to a kind neighbour to bordren wheelbarrow load of wood, the chilmade Sarah cross to witness the inexmade Sarah cross to witness the inexhaustible patience of her toil-worn mother with a faith in God which it seemed as if nothing could shake.

It may not be my way, It may not be thy way, The Lord will provide." "He doesn't seem to pro"c anyway," she fretted. er cold hands tucked the avers more closely around ee how ther. 'I don't elieving. Grod's people "ver give ue a thought." 'Blessed is he who hath ot seen yet hath believd.' " said her father, softa great comfort to me Sarah." "Whoa!" such a ohnnie and Jimmie were the window directly and he next minute thev called Sarah. "Sade, here's a man, don't you think, wood: a great, big load, too. I guess you don't now all, Sade the Lord ould provide in His own way and time, and He
has." Happy Mrs. Appleanks! How her faith flamed up with the glorious fire they made up to warm the corners of the room." ${ }^{\text {And Sarah's }}$,
heart was kindled also, when the grocer's wagor drove up Christmas pro visions from a pair of plump chickens to a bis pound of assorted candy card in the basket, or which was written, "Fron a friend. 'In His name.' The Applebanks neve a happy Christmas, bu God and the angels knew and Annie Lee felt satis fied with the simple card ed among her friends wh had no need.

## A berlin christ-

 mas tree. German people sought symbol of their love fothe anniversary of the da Christ, and to mark the anniversary of or dree of His birth They looked for a flower or tree and as they looked the snow was over the ground the winter winds were chill. They passed man trees that a few weeks before had been fresh an fair and green; all seemed dead and a voice san, high above their heads: "Not this, not this, 100 farther still." At last on the top of a hill covere
the Applebanks were suffering. Their fuel had become completely exhausted, and Mr. Applebanks was enduring agonies from his rheumatism as the rooms grew colder with the waning of the fire. Again and again Mrs. Applebanks searched her worn-out purse for some stray change tha.
hore ind howled round a quiet, he old-fanhond dinine-rom, with its comfortable red cuttains and bright fire and gas light. ht Mr. and Mrs. Francis watching out the old ar. She was a pretty. White-haired little lady Wh mu-t have been lovely in her youth; he a anl, stern-ooking man. Sitting with his head no . weeping, and lifting his head he gazed solici Gusly at his wife. "Mother, he said, "you're crying." Receiving no reply, he continued. "Dry hor terline beec and thanking the good for bending our knees and thanking the good 1.nrd for his manifold mercies tornarde what is the have plenty of this wnrk shads. What is the trouble mother? "t en your faltered. It is five vears to-day since pros se the Mary away and thla her hever th core ful Christmas time which broucht us truly not cul Christmas nime. which brought us truly no ceace, hor atwo ather in heaven to soften your
 heart towards her." "Fnough. enough! Yo ohedient-," "She only did as we did-married for love. The man of her choice inctead hi hove. The man of her choice instead yours. Charles, They you to forgive her. She for her mistake As you hope for mercy forgive her to-nicht." The old man'bowed his head " " seem to hear her knocking at the door and mingling with the lnocld a veice coying "For give us our trespasses as we forgive them that creapas ainct us, I feel sure we shall hear from her sonn." "Do vou know where she is?" Mr. Francis scemed ylad. now the ice was hroken, to speak of his daughter. "No, only that her husband died. I am sometimes afraid.

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Charles, that she may be in want." "She could have written us." Mrs. Francis did not reply, and it sent a pang to the old man's heart to rewould do so after his harslikely his daughter There was no sound in the old-fashioned heom. save the crackling of the fire and the roar of the wind in the wide chimney. Then the old man said, his stern voice softened, "Mother as I hope for forgiveness, so now do I forgive Naty," They sat in silence for a long time, unt suddenly a loud bark from the house-dog broke the stillness. Then a the stillness. Then a
timid knock sounded at timid knock sounded at the door, and after a
while a second, more while a second, more
timid still. "It is Mary," said the mother "She has come home. father, do you hear?" Together they went into the hall and opened the heavy front door. A pale, thinly-clad girlpale, thinly-clad girlstood on the step. her mother's arms, but her mother's arms, but
presently she turned to presenty she turned to
her father and, with stammering lips, fal
stan tered: "Father, forgive me." "As Good forgives me," he said, form in his arms. And the bells of the old church at that moment rang out the old and rang in the new, rang in the Christ that is and was and is to be.

A CAROL OF THE KINGS.

It is chronicled in an old Armenian myth, that the wise men of the East were none other other than the three sons of Noah and that they were raised from the dead to represent, and to do homage for all man kind, in the cave at Bethlehem! Other leg ends are also told: one, that these patri-arch-princes of the Flood did not ever die, but were rapt away into Enoch's Paradise, and were thence recalled to begin the solemn gesture of world-wide worship Child! Another sayin Child: Another sayin
holds, that, when days were full, these arkite fathers fell asleep and were laid at and ant Messias was down and them from the slual to hail, as the heras mether the mystic Chari Be Shem, Ham and Japheth in their firs magi were sers under their own names ur the of mer mether they were thre lose descended and royal sages from the loins o the land of Balam-one thing has been delivered

Cathering Daisies
faithful orbs dissolve and die? Shall the gleaminy trophy fall? Nay-not so. When it had fulfilled the piety of its first-born office, it arose, and, amid the vassalage of every stellar and material law, it moved onward and onward, obedient to the impulse of God the Trinity, Journeying evermore towards the south, until that starry image arrived in the predestined sphere of future and perpetual abode: to bend, as to this day it bends, above the peaceful sea, in everlasting me morial of the Child Jesus: the Southern Cross.
age bool until she reached the Grs, was Helen Garr nother of her meces." "It's blue and white. she reported. my! thank you. T fo glad you have it! I have been wanting find out, and I had planned to make Hele a cushion-cover. I decided to make it yello but now ITl make it blue instead. Have you-wonder-do you ever give away any of your su gestions? I have been trying to think what gget for Agnes." Aunt Emma obligingly turne to Agnes's page. "Any little travelling co
answered. Agnes takes hadn't any of these little home-made contrivances that are so handy. She hasn't time to make them, and no one gives them to her." "The very thing," cried Lillian. "I know how to nake such a variety of them. I made a whole sutfit for Jean when she went West-shoe-bags, a cylindrical rubbers-bag that buttons up, a bag o put all her combs and things in when she goes nto the dressing-room of a sleeper, a stickpinase, a hairpin-case made the same way with net o put the pins in, all made with linen with dark rown feather-stitching, and a wash-cloth bag of on soap bex buy prelly celod thing oo, soap boxes. tooth brush holders, and such. deas? "No indeed," meplied to some of those $m$ eing , ive her a bedroom clock anyway im going ong wanted a little gold e", "I have She has long wanted a little gold one." "I have milingly. Lillian followed her upstairs int edroom, and the older woman brought a large uit box out of the closet. There were in the box 11 the left-over materials from the vear beforeibbons; cloths of different kinds; silks, worted, lace, braids, and patterns, cords, photoraphs, mounts, fresh, unsoiled candy boxes to old her delicious home-made candy; cambric ad bright pictures that had accumulated during le year, for the babies' scrapbooks; white tissue rapping paper, baskets, holly-figured crepe aper, etc., a box in itself full of suggestions. illian drew a long breath of delight. "I am oing to begin right away to have a Christmas ook and a Christmas box," she said.
The noblest spirits are those which turn eaven, not in the hour of sorrow, but in that of yy; like the lark, they wait for the clouds to isperse,

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MODRYB MARYA: AUNT MARY

## A Christmas chant

In old and simple-hearted Cornwall, the house hold names "uncle" and "aunt", were uttered and used as they are to this day in many countries or he East, hot dy as thes lo but as words of kindy breets and tender pect. It was the siri, hercfore, ar this
 heir That Mon Mary ]

Now, of all the trees by the king's highway
Which do you love the best?
Oh ! the one that is green upon Christmas Dav
The bush with the bleeding breast.
Now, the holly, with her drops of blood, for me
For that is our dear Aunt Mary's trec
Its leaves are sweet with our Saviour's name
'Tis a plant that loves the poor
Summer and winter it shines the same
Beside the cottage door
Oh! the holly, with her drops of blood, for me
For that is our kind Aunt Mary's tree!
Tis a bush that the birds will never leave,
They sing in it all day long
But, swectest of all, upon Christmas F.ve.
Is to hear the robin's song.
Tis the merriest sound upon earth and sea
For it comes from our own Aunt Mary's tree
So, of all that grow by the king's highway
I love that tree the best
Tis a bower for the birds upon Christmas Day
The bush of the bleeding breast.
Oh! the holly, with her drops of blood, for $m$
For this is our sweet Aunt Mary's tree.

WERE IS YESTERDAY?
(A Child's Inquiry.)
-
Hother: some thime - want to know hich puzzee and contuse me so. out tell me wher is yesterday?

1 did not see it as it weme In play, and pleasure, though in rain, Then why won't it come back again?
"To-day, the sun shines bright and clear But then, to-morrow's drawing near and vani-h like dear vesterday.

، 'Tis when the sun and all the light Has gone. and darkne bţings the night $t$ seem = to me, you steal away And change your name to yesterday.
'And will all time be just the same? To-day-the only name remain? nd shall 1 always have to sor,

I wonder, when we go to heaven If there a record will be given of all our thoughts and all our ways, Writ on the face of yesterdays?
'If so, I pray God grant to me That mine, a noble life may be; For then, I'll greet with joyous gaze The dear, lost face of-yesterdays.

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A SOLDIER in time of peace "Chore time, Ernest. Come, gut up." The clock in the dining room had just tolled off five. Ernest was aroused from a pleasant dream by his father's stern voice. It was dark et, that cold winter morning. oolitary star in the east showed him e open window and lay in through ent en window and lay in a hitte and stockings helng the cold or the dark su, hressing ..l'll or bed and be time this mornim,", be chect roin himself as he made his fingers almost ly. In five minutes he was down tairs building fires. His mothe clused her eyes for another nap as he knew that he had started breaklatl. She hadbeenteptawatedearly night by the twangs of rheumatism is he went whistling about the barn. hat Saturday morning, he talked aloud to the cows and sheep. "Good o be an early riser, then it doesn't don't care now if father did throw hat water on me last spring to wake ne up. I've made a lot more by sav hy the two hours a day." "Tom, he said, as he curried the shining shall have some oats in a jiffy. Now coax pretty, you rascal." Fairy, the white kitten, was purring around his feet. At a word from him the little
creature climbed up on his shoulder. an chis on his shoulder friends and the biy soft nose of the favorite rubbed down the white fur without receiving single scratch. Ernest was fond of pets of all kinds. His father was a keeper in the Zoo plogical Garden. All kinds of ani mals and birds were to been shere. hen his work about the banns would visit at the Zo to see the new polar ear. It had just arrived the day be fore. As it was the only week-day when there was no school, several ther boys were going with him. Each one was to furnish something treat the visitor from the Arctics, and so win his good will. About the middle of the formoon as Ernes was rushing the corn stalks through he cutting machine for the stock he heard his mother call him. Look ng up, he saw her beckoning to him rom the back porch. I want to finish the shock first," he replied "The wind will scatter them all ove I leave them now." "Come right way," she urged in a worried voice. want the meat now to put on for dinner. There's nobody to send bu you. Come back through the park and see if your father wants any thing. Can't about it?" asked his mother as she saw the expression of wexaion cros to with heys to sue a herry o go with the boys out his way return by the park, but it would be so much more fun to wait and go with the boys. Then with a sudden 'll be off this minute." After Mr Blair entered the gardens that morn ing, he went as usual to clean the

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What'll You Have?
was
quick hat mornith his errand than usual quantity of fresh beef he was hur ying home with it, when he recalled his mother's words, "come home hrough the park and see if your father wants anything. As he near ed the garden he ", Runuin father all, "Help, Help." Running swift lo the cag ors pow to at tack his far Grabbing a fork he prodded the animal sharply in the back. It turned and ran at him with bavage fury. Tearing off the paper from the meat, he pushed the juicy piece in through the iron bars. The bear instantly set its teeth in the resh beef with a devouring it lunch; the keeper escaped safely through the cage door. Some of the employees by this time came runnins

the work of the peace-
A true peacemaker, going about, rying to draw people ever closer to ether and to heal all threatened co intions and yuarrels, is doing a ne work of love in the woride iffer and differ nces among men are needless. They ae caused by the wicked meddle comeness of outside parties. Or they come from hasty words or acts, un onfessed and unrepented of. Trifle e exaggerated, or purely imaginar indle bitterness which burns like onsuming fire. The peacemaker word spoken at the right momen would prevent all this. Another part of the peacemakers work is hose who have actually become es tranged, who have drifted apart, into
hey live under the same roof and eat at the same table. There are brothers and sisters, were are husbands and wives, who are farthe pall of cold rex bait between them.

A beautiful custom
In the mountains of Tyrol it is the custom of the women and children to come out when it is the close of day and sing. Their husbands, fathers and brothers answer them from the
hills on their way homeward. On the shores of the Adriatic such a cus the shores prevails. There the wives of the fishermen come down about sunet and sing a melody, listen for a hile for an answering melody from off the water, tellifify that the loved he weary fishermen, as the shádows ather around them, must be the songs of the loved ones at home that $\sin g$ to cheer them, and how they must strengthen and tighten the inks that bind together these dwellers terian.


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hrist left the study Mr. Blank, lik mo wife, called attention to Christ and then added: "These will perimi with the using? but my most preciou said the caller as he gave a partung grasp of the hand, "ouly a letter, te senger.
the boy and the pine tree.
The boy, Linley Sands, lived onely farm, miles from town. II athers were strong, fhule he wat rather delicate, so he helped hi grandmother with the housework, an had entire care of the chickens and weere. In the winter, when farin excepting Washington, the eldest Who worked in a store in the county beat Linles, had to school regularly tormy weather. He studied all the harder on those stay-at-home days, Leonard and John; and, nol being able even in summer to play ball, he was much alone. Bu
he had a friend, a handsome friend who talked to him softly, and even taught him many things. This but a pine tree which he had dis but a pine tree which he had
covered in the oak woods back of the farm. There was not another pons:
( hum, and watched must caretull)
$\square$ that no squirrel should get theul When they really secame bute pines, inas wonderfully hapes, and be hile duced them Chum, and ne mint tIe also put the numbers number book, and made notes of their a houth hook, and made notes of their growth Well, Linley, you are Deginmug. rorestry," she said; and then she ed and cared for in Europe; how every bit of forest is in charge to be cut, and who plant thousands of trees every year, so that, for hun-
ireds of years, Europe's forests had been kept full of heathy trees for use an building, and how every dead branch is used for firewood. "Yout
do not see miles of bare hill and plain, as in our country, unless some good crop is grown there," she told him. "Here we have had so many great forests that we have cut them as if they would grow again like rass. Soon there will be a scarctiy of trees." "Then will we have tor-



A Disgrace to his Family.
Linley. "Perhaps, when I am gone," aid the good grandmother, who had aken care of the five brothers ever
self by telegraphing, while he lived still in his old room at the farm. Twenty years had given him and fa Chum a large family of handsome
tall pines, and Chum was a wonder tall pines, and Chum as wonder kept every evil insect from hurting it kept every evil insect from hurting it,
and had cut off every feeble branch, and had cut off every feeble branch,
Chum was as straisht as a elegrap Chum was as straight as a telegraph had grown to feel that the pine kne him and understood his love for it ". My first real friend. My firzt teacher in forestry," he often sald with his arm around it. For Limles was now a forester, as far as a man could be who could not live the hardy life of a woodsman. People came to consult him about their trees, for he had studied foreign books on forestry. He was a real "tree doctor," and as he only had light work at the tele graph station, and that chiefly through the summer, he had time for alled it "Our famuly." When the old maples. There he had the teleInd made music in Chum o
ranches, Linley found that ae highet bianches of Chum, and thoughts can
noted therm noted them down; but he did no ens, and he would have done the farm field work, too, but the brother would not let him. He had been lame and the work would have really hur and the work would have really hurt
him ; so he made up to his brothers by saving the wages of a hired wo man, and by cheerfully sympathizing in all their joys and sorrows. So the years went on. The lonely farmi had oen enlivened by a summer resort n the great hill east of it. A railfarm milk could be casily sent the own, and in the telegraph oftice Iinley Sands found work. The randmother had died, and the farm had been divided between Albert, I.eonard and Linley, for John and
Washington had gone WCot and werc Nashington had gone Nest and were
making money there. Linley asked to have the bit of forest, leaving the tuere.
busy Fh the news of the great comes to me always longed aid Linley. . And iny old frend, gets a lightning stroke?", baid Visitor. Linley looked shocked, tor he had often feared that in the twenty-five years. "Then what left will still be my friend and hold the "Ires," he said. "It he talls, Tll have him put up stronger than Defore." But still the great pine nives, healthy and beautitul.. Linrey's children would no more hurt it nd they would hurt their parents the Sands torest and tree nurscry are now so much more important the the intle telegraph othce that every child withine reach of Linley's torest has learned to love and value trees as one of Giod's best gitts. Evelyn Muller

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the plattorm, and then, while the nearsighted weigh-master was adjusting the scales, the boy put one foot back upon the hub of the wheel, and seizing the back of the seat, swung himself free of the platform, thus adding his full weight to that of the orn. "Ho, ho! selling himself, eh?" xclaimed the doctor, adjusting his ar-sighted glasses to be sure that his im. "Bless my heart, if it isn t quire Giles' son Jack!" he excaimed in astonishment. "The oung roguc, to disgrace his good, ronest old father by such juggling ! Sut he'll square the deal with me, or I'll know why," he chuekled as he rn crib, where Jack was already hovelling the big yellow ears into he huge old-fashioned bin. "Hello, chappie!" he called out in his jolly ift?" "No, thank you," replied Jack politely. "He's a willing little fellow at any rate," soliloquized the loctor, watching the boy's efforts at isposing of his heavy load. "It's a ne lot of corn, certainly," he added, ood naturedly, adjusting his farighted spectacles so to have better of the heap of rolden ears, ple-解 shovel of corn Jack sprang down attecri) 10 gather up the "nubbins wered on the floor, and while ho ard Work, the doctor stepped for hud, lock it as the the in his bocket "" alled Jack, thinking the absentminded man had shut him in by misme in Flase, sir, you have locked me in the crib," he explained, when He doctor turned in his tracks and book on forestry. After a few more faced him. "Yes, I know," was the years Linley married, and built $\left|\begin{array}{l}\text { pretty house near Chum, on a bit of } \\ \text { ground left open by the death of some }\end{array}\right|$

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anl, so like a dream. "Open them, the gasped. Then, as she untied the pretly ribluons, Alice gave a cry of real delight. "A book! a book!" he ficd. "Oh, how lovely!" But when the opened the other and found a box bad her socros He tivian, and tlinging her arms but her, biss her again and again. "llawn' yen one for me, little maid?" asked her grandfather, wist fully, ard Alice, ashamed of her ne glect, kiosed him warmly, too. "I didn't think you cared, grandfather, she said, shyly; and again she won dered gravely if people liked you to how that you loved them, even if hey did not seem to and she was so rem thin he did not hear her "grandfather peakine to her until he had called her twice "Little maid," he said "Alice I have a little present for you too only you ran away before I could give it to you," and he laid two new half crowns in her hand. There was more much more, than enough to do and hink about, to fill up the time to the arly Christmas dinner and whe ink room another surprise await ed them there, for the usual holly and red ribbons, and by every late, and in groups here and there wern woloured crackers, whil petty little dishes were" piled high with sweets. Sever had Alice, nor indeed her grandfather, enjoyed house, and after dinner they all wen back to the drawing-room and talke and played games until the ligh ailed, when they sat by the fire and fokd tales. "I do think," said Alice pausing in the merry games with hich they fimished up the event hely. Chis the most wonderful and ably spend I shall know now that an be like story-book Christmasesonly better."-Aunt Alison.

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