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On August 10th, at East Toronto, Florence, daughter of Mrs, Westlake, to Mr. Rogers, of Emmanuel Church.
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On August 4, at Almonte, by Rev. Mr. ten Donaldson to William Grant Kelly
On Wednesiay August 5th, $100 \mathrm{~S}^{2}$ Kly On Wednesday. August 5th, 1908 , at the
home of her brother-In-law Mr . C . C home of her brother-In-law, Mr. W. C. the Rev. James Murray, Margaret IAndsay, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danlel McLaren, to Rofert John Prosser, of Woodblne Avenue, Toronto. On Aug. 6, 1908, at "Ingleside." Mount Albert, Ont., by Rev. D. G. Cameron, Florence. only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Rohert Forest, to Walter J. Helm, of Port Hove.
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At Barrie, on August 6th, Dr
$\stackrel{\text { At }}{\text { Smith. }}$
At North Toronto, on August 11th. Rev. James Grant, formerly pastor of Rtchmond Hill Cburch.
At London, on Sunday, Aug. 9th, Dougall Mt Donald, of Vintore.
At Toronto, on August 13th, Rev. Robert Hume, M.A., retired Presbyterian
At 142 Carlton Street, Toronto, William Johnstone Cameron, son of the late in Cameron, Durham. Ont., aged At 29 Jameson Avenue, To onto, on Aug.
12 th. 1308 , Iheut.-Colonel Wilbur Henderson, in hls 52nd year,
In London, England, Aug. 10th, Mary deputy master of Royal Mint, Ottawa,
At the family residence, 183 Dupont st., Toronto, on Aug. $\mathrm{K}_{1} 1908$, Thomas D. S . Moore, of the 'Globe, staff, a sed 60 years.
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## NOTE AND COMMENT

Plain speaking is essential to the best pulpit work; it can hardly be too plain, but it Bhould never degenerate into pulpit soolding. "Speaking the truth in love" is still worthy of being a preacher's motto.
There are in Paris forty-three French Protestant churches, and in the outskirts there are forty-seven more, making a total of ninety churches where French Protestants worship. In three of these, English services ate also held, and in four of them Ger ann services. There is also one Swedish churah. The British and Amerioan cht shes number six in all.

A certain minieter in Michigan-of course he is not a Presbyterian-is a persietent oigarette smoker in public and private life. He frequently telle the boys what a bad habit it is for them: and he certainly ought to know what he is talking about. Will they do as he saye, or as the doest is the pertinent question of the Michigan Presbyterian.

The folloving shows a marked change in public sentiment among our neighbors to the Sonth. We clip from the bors to the Sotth. We clip from the
Herald and Presbyter: "It is stated that Herald and Presbyter: "It is stated that
both the Republ'can and Democratic Na . both the Republican and Democratic Na-
tional Conventions barred liquor from tional Conventions barred liquor from
the convention halls. The Columbuss Convention did not have to bar it. No one wonld ever have thought of trying to get it in."

Sald Rev. W. A. Mollroy, of Ottawa, in a recent sermon: The statement of an Fincliah lord that either the state must throttle the liaunr traffic or the lianor traffic would throttle the state, was true The dutv of the chureh was with its whole streneth to oppose the saloon, and save the growing boys. It was also the dutv of the church to befriend drunkards and do its best to save them,

Church members who are out on the field helning the pastor keep un the work do not have time to attend the arumblers' ennference. Only those who are out of a job and out of spirits have hours to give to that pestiferous assemblv where all the evil things real and imaginary are put on exhibition and decorated with unfavorable comment. The programma is ever fill and the performers work for less than nothing.

A correspondent of the Canadian Bantist writes: "The religions situation in France is one of prime importance, and full of thrilling interest. France deserves our sympathy and our support. Tew nations have sacrifieed so much for the sacred cause of liberty as she. She the sacred cause of liberty as she. She is nearer the coal today than ever be-
fore. The dangor is that the masses of her people in their reaction against Rome may go to the other extreme of infldelity. It is a time of unparalleled opportunity for the Gospel."

For the beneflt of those who prophesied nothing but blue ruin for the town as soon as Local Option came in force. we are pleased to state. says the Cree more Sun, that one of our merchants has handed us a statement of his business for the months of May and June, 1907, and also for the same months this vear. and the latter exceeds the former by \$1.051.96. That don't look as though Local Option was doing the town any harm. Local Option hurts no business but the whiskey business, and that's no good to anybody.

It is a sad fact that there are some who will, even in religious work, ruin everything if they cannot run everything. They must run the pastor, ar Sunday sohool, or convention, or board, or eecretary, or college, or assemblyelse they are against the whole thing Moreover such selfieh individuals do not fight in the open. They are too cowardly to do that. They seek to ruin by indirection, by question, by innuen do, by misrepresentation, by wire-pulling. May the Lord deliver his people from these troublers in Ierael.

An exchange eays, that through a mis. take in a local-option election, a Mas. sachusette town voted wet when the majority of the voters favored a dry town. To protect the town from the invasion of saloons through what was a technical error, the town council fix ed the license at one million dollars. It is needless to say the town is still "dry." Yet the town of Collinewood wae not permitted to make the lioense fee for $1908 \$ 2.500$. The council desir ed to help make the town "dry," but the Provincial authorities intorvened in the interest of the liquor traffic.

A section of the eity of Shanghai, Chins, is known as "The Settlement," from the being fnhabited by forefeners, and not being under Chineee control, "The Settlement" is just now coming in for much condemmation beonuse it is not uaing as energetic stepe to supprese the opium traffic as the Ohinese section of the city. Protests have poured in upon the respective govern ments, and the shame of the Settlement is now known in every entunmient is now known in every conimeion repiliente in a Chinece otiv unwilling to mo as far ase the Chinese themselves in suppressing the opium curse!

The platform adopted by the Prohibition parte at its recent national convention in Columbus. Ohio, en far as the liauor traffie is concerned, is thus summarized: 1. The submission by Congress to the several States of an amendment to the Tederal Constitution prohibiting the manufacturel sale, importation. exporta. tion or transportation of alcoholic lifuors for beverace purnoses. 2. The immediate nrohibition of the liquor traffic for beverage purposes in the District of Colum bia. in the Territories, and all places over which the national government has jurisdiction: the reveal of the internal revenue tax on alooholic liquors, and the prohibition of the interstate traffic there.

The fourth commandment enjoins the association of a true worship of God with a due consideration of man. The Sabbath was made, not for God's but for man's sake. By any use of it which militates against the good of man we violate the spirit of this law. Nor shonld it ever be forgotten that the foundation idea of the day is that of the foundation idea of the day is that of
rest and recreation. There is, perhaps, rest and recreation. There is, perhaps,
no more serions problem in present day family and social life than the best and most wholesome use of Sunday. That nroblem is to procure rest withont idleness, recreation withont frivolity, wor ship without weariness. The import ance of the nroblem cannot be over ectimated, and the basis of a trie soln estimated. and the baris of a true soin.
tion lles not in fruitless discussion as tion lies not in fruitless discussion ${ }^{a n}$
to whether it shall be Saturdav or Sunday, but in proposals proceeding tron a due consideration of man's needs, bodily and spiritually.

A press dispatch from Victoria, B.C., says: "One of the first measures before the Yukon Legislative Council is a bill to eliminate all saloons within the territory, inclusive of Dawson City, giving only properiy equipped hotels the right to sell intoxicants. Another blow has also been struck against the Yukon dance halls, the one remaining part of Canada in which women have been legally employed to promote the sale of liquor. Jack McCrimmon was sentenc ed to thirty days' hard labor for running a dance hall. Mr. Justice Dugas, in givnig sentence. said a longer term would be imposed on the next conviction. This stand of the Yukon authorities is paralleled by that of British Columbia, which has decided to gant no liquor permits or licenses along the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, now building, and which will probably introduce drastic temperance legislation for the entire province at the forthooming session of the Provincial Legislature.

In a vigorous editorial, the August Appleton's Magazine discusses ReligionThe Most Practical Thing in the World. In the midst of the editorial occurs the following paragraph, which we heartily endorse and commend to the attention of our readers: "The churches suffer from a terrible blight, the blight of Sunday religion. You can't be religious on Sunday and irreligious on Monday. You ean't, any more than you can be a tall man on Tuesday and a short one on Wednesday. We talk of religion as if it were a separate department of life. We label it and bottle it and prescribe it for use on certain occasions. We partieularly recommend it to old ladies, ehildren and invalids. Religion is either good for everybody at all times or for nobody at any time. We talk of religious and irreligious men, but every man has in him a spark of the divine which he can either kindle into a living flame or neglect until it is all but extingutshed. Religion is a spur to those things without which life is not worth living. A democracy must have religion as a check on the one hand and a spur on the other."

The American Federation of Zloniets met at Atlantic City last month. Modern Zionism, whose flist great leader was the late Dr. Herzel, of Vienna, seeks "to secure for the Jews a publicly recognized and legally assured home in Palestine." It does not stand for any particular interpretation of propheciee relating to the Jewish nation, but it naturally gains all the more favor with those Jews and Christians who believe that some of the predictions concerning the prosperity of the Chosen People in their own land remain to be fulfilled. In America a new organization, the B'nal Zion, "Sons of Zion." has recently been formed, which is heralded as "a movement to organize the Jews under the Zionist banner and also to form a body potent to promote Jewish interests in America." Not alone in Ameriea is Zionism gaining ground. In every country of Europe it is reported as making progress, and some of the most eminent Jews now living are among its ardent supporters. Not that all Jews are expected to return to Palestine; but what better home for oppressed Jews that the land of their ancestors, if that land ean be secured as their own possession S Such is the dream of own possession Auch is the dream of Zionism-a dream which may come true
some day, when the long purses of Jewlsh capitalists hold out sufficient temp. tation to the Sultan of Turkey with his chronically empty treasury.

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## By J. G. Patton.


#### Abstract

drat an be more enjoyable than rie oul numme Just retrace th me some of the quiet incidents, roads and lanes of the old and hilly eastern coun try, W/e will see much to make us ry. We rom sel to make us happy and some thingo in make us sad or course we cannot be in a mood, but the truth must This is suffieient preface for go along. This is su

Now get up with me into the buggy


 Under our breath we will just whisper to our friends that while we do not feel able to hire an automobile, we really prefer a good horse and buggy. Those "sweeshy," clumsy machines are all right if you wish to fly over the roads and not see the beautiful things of the country. They are not nearly so pretty and intelligent as a nice horse. True, they eat no grass, but you can't talk to them as you can to a horse. Neither coaxing them nor beating them will hurry them or make them go slow; they are deaf and dumb. We pass them on the road and their cocupants look upon us as far behind the fashion and man ners and customs of this present age. Some day our poor horse will pass along the road with an suto by his side and a Axing machine over his head. We wonler, macin where $u$ horee will b when that fast day of fast travelling is when that fast day of fast travelling iscome. Somewhere I was riding in an come. Somewhere I was riding in an
automobile, and on seeing the dust rise automobile, and on seeing the dust rise my companion said that autos were very hand on the pikes because they raised such a dust and the dust blew off the road. I believe he eaid that France in her rural distriots was alarmed because of this very fact. But we are disoussing automobiles too long. There are too many other things of interest to spend so much time on machines.
Day before yesterda" it rained-a real downpour, wetting the earth far down. To-day the air is a perfect nectar, full of health and wealth for the body. The sky is clear, the sun shines with a per fect luster, while the cool breeze stir the very blood to a more energetic cours ing through our veins.
We started on the trail of the harvesters, and there they are! How strong and healthy they look! Let us tie our horse to this fence post and go over into the field where they are working. They field whare they are working. They
have just begun to haul the well-cured have just begun to haul the well-cured wheat to the barn. It is strange to see
them haul it upon a sled. You must them haul it upon a sled. You must not ask them why they are nsing such a primit ve conveyance. They may have no waggon, or the sled being lower, may suit the hilly ground; no matter, farmers are like everybody else, they have a good reason for what they are doing, and then they have their own pride about their affairs, and they no more like to be classified out of date than do we city folks. A rich, ripe odor of ärying stalk and berry fills the air as the full shocks of grain are lifted sheaf by sheaf onto the growing load. What can be finer the growing load. What can be finer ripening grain? And what can be more beautiful than a field standing in shocks of yellow wheat
Ask this particular farmer what kind of a crop he has this season. "It is more than an average yield this season. I expect to thresh twenty or twenty-five bush els of wheat to the acre from this field. The hay crop is excellent and the corn is good enough, for this time of the year. if we should have rains the latter part of this month and in August." This farmer has a large rich farm and is contented and happy. His boys, however, tented and happy. Hrowing up and the oldest boy alare growing up and the oldest boy al-
ready wants to be off to the elty. The
hard work of plowing and sowing and reaping does not suit him. It is too slow for him; he dreams by day and by night of the great busy cities where gold is plenty, and he longs to be off from the plenty, and he longs to be off from the waydrum of the farm. He day, and then when he is perway some day, and then when he is per-
plexed about the things of the city, he plexed about the things of the city, he
will dream of cool shades of forests and will dream of cool shades of forests and
rest his backward look upon the wheat rest his backward look upon the wheat
in the shock. That backward look will be paradise to him, and the memories of the old country hone will shine in his heart as the stars.
Looking afar up the lane of time we can see this wheat as it passes into the barn, and then some antumn day pours quickly out of the mow into the open mouth of the great thresher. Then, with a million companion grains like itself. it is gathered into the great bin, there tn rest awhile. When the days grow shorter and the nights long and cool, the trail of the wheat will be down to the huge elevator or mill. Here in the mill the ruthless grinders constantly whirl. and the round berry which grew so cheerfully out on the sunny hillside will be cruehed and mangled. But see as it is cruehed and mangled. But see as it is
hroken what alabaster flour comes forth hroken what alabaster flour comes forth
from the hidden denths of this nourish. from the hidden denths of this nourish. ing seed! Most of our lives, if not all. are much like this wleat; they have to be broken before thev secome the bread of life to other people.
Take up the trail again, and we soon come back toward the old farm. It is not the same farm, for we have passed not the same farm, for we have passed traveller, far beyond your native haunts, traveller. far beyond your nafive haunts,
can yon anywhere find a mora hearten. can you anywhere find a more hearten-
ing and beantiful nioture than one of ing and beautiful nicture than one of
those sloping meadows of the Fast? those sloping meadows of the Fast?
$\mathbf{V}$ on might find a verv level field far out West that would vield more hay to the acre, but you conld not find so bean. tiful a pleture as this round-topped meadow upon which we now look. Here is a scene that stirs aback into your lungs the old boyhood blood. You used to haul hayshocks? Nof Well. I pitv the boy who has never hanled hav with a long wild grapevine or rope. Spe these boys and girle as they hurrv their horses to the shocks and around them and now bring them to the growing stack. It is bring them to the growing stack. It is
a lively scene and one that would be a lively scene and
beautiful in Eden.
As we stand and watch the haymakers there comes a long-drawn-out sonnd from the prettv farm honse a few rods away. It is the call to supper. Country people still have breakfast. dinner and supper, and if thev serve lunch it is before going to bed. We have a very hearty invitation to go in and break bread with the family. Knowing the sincere hospitality of both the farmer and his wife tality of both the farmer and his wife
we ancept the invitation, As we pass we accept the invitation. As we pass
ont through the bars from the meadow, we notice the long afternoon or early evening shades as they creep down from the woods. How very refreshing thev are to the tired men! How they speak to us all of the advancing shades of the eveningtime of our lives!
After sitting down at the long well-filled table. all reverently bow their heads. After a few words of thanks and blessing we are bidden to help ourselves. Then begins a very interesting conversation about the happenings of the day. "the political situation," that never threadbare aubject, ond grave matters of Ohuroh and State are taken up by this intelligent farmer and his wife. We wonder at such intellectual acumen, but when we look into the library, we note magazines and papers and books of many kinds. Best of all. we see the Bible, and it looks Best of all. we see the Bible, and it looks
as if it had been studied. Thus our trail must end with the farmer in his trail must end with the farmer in his
home, as he eits about his table and home. as he eits about his table and
eats the bread from the wheat which
grew out on the hillside. And when he asks us to take down the great book and read and pray with him, we know he is trying to feed his soul upon the "living bread." -Philadelphia Westminster.

## WORRY THE GREAT ENEMY TO HEALTH.

Worry is the epidemic of the day-an epidemic more widespread, more insidious, more deadly than any pestilence that has ever afflicted this long-suffering world.
More widespread, I say, beoause it affects everybody in what we euphemisti cally call the civilized world. The adult worries about his profession, his business, his family relations, and so on. The woman worries about her household the children, her clothes, her social po3i tion, and a thousand other things.
And even little children have not escapdrom this devastating epidemic, worry. Take your stand outside any public school and note the expression on the faces of the children as they enter or leave the building. Go into a class room while recitation is being conduct ed, and note the drawn faces, the abat ed breaths, the wiggling, interlocked fingers-all external signs of the deadly epidemic of the day-worry.
Worry is an insidious disease, because it works in the dark-under the surface, so to speak. The various activities by which the life of the body is maintained. respiration, circulation of the blood, digestion and assimilation, as well as the action of the liver, color, skin, and other organs by which the poisonous products of the body are removed-all these activities are directly under the control of the nervous system, and the ner vous system is governed by the mind. Through the process of interrelation hetween the mind and the nervous system, the state of mental pandemonium known as worry has an immediate and nowerful effect upon the digestive funcion.
So much for the effects of worry upon direstion and absorption. There is an other organ, however, upon which the influence of worry is still more intimate and disastrous. That organ is the heart Worry is not suspense. Worry is not anxiety, nor regret, nor fear, nor doubt, nor resolve. All these are definite mental states. Worry is essentially different from any of them. It if that vague. chaotic condition-that anarchy of mind -in which hopees, fears, resolves, doubte, anxieties, regrets anticipations and suspicions are admitted to the mind. They conetitute a ravening, destroying horde inder the influence of which logieal reasoning is impossible, initiative is paralyzed and the stability of the mind is threatened-often destroyed.
Worry is a disease which is curable: but he who would be cured of it must cure himself. He must work out his own salvation. He must engage in a eivil war of the intellect-must reduce mental anarchy to mental order. He minst, in other worde, achieve selfeon-trol.-W. R. C. Latson, M. D.

The Grand Trunk Passenger Department are in receipt of a letter from a prominent New Yorker complimenting the road on their excellent dining car service. He says: "My wife and I left New York on your train at $5.40 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. last Monday; yesterday morning we had breakfast on your dining car and everytning was so superior - food, cuisine, service and attention-that I think it my duty to compliment the road on this branch of the service."

SHOULD A BOY GO TO COLLEGE?
College life is a bigger factor in the question than the college course. The college course is a part of college life and an important part; but it is only a part, and this fact should be recognizerd. For after all, the college life as a whole is what makes or unmakes the boys who are in the midst of it for four impressionable years. Or rather; it is the attitude of the boy toward the college life about him that ueually deteimnes his future. One's environment never is the supreme factor; what one does with one's environment settles the case.
So the question to anower is really this: Should a boy have coliege life for four years i And that question can no more be answered than the question, "What kind of woman should a man marry P" It ie necessary to know your man; and it is neceesary to know your boy. However, it is posoibie to anower intelligently the question, "shall my boy have tour years of coliege life $?^{\prime \prime}$ or, if the boy himself is to decide the matter, "Shall I enter upon four years of college life?"
A general truth that at would seem sate to assume, in conejueing the bearang of was quection upon any partac. wiar boy, is mat condege щe wocs not transiorm, but it aeverops, thuse watu are in the mudst of is. Tive reabon ior thes is that amost any boy whi und, in college, strong maucements to give full swing to nis obiel tenuencies or ambitions, no matter wat they are. is he is a scudent, where as p.enty of stimulus to the deve.opment of student dabits and scholariy somevement. be is sociany jncnued, thute is social tive in aull measure, mviting him to give that his onied attention. Ine athielioanly meciued of whe young generation need not to be toud wiere hey oan get athietic encouragement ukeiy to satisyy whe wost exfreme. The youkn who longs to get out wom under parental sight mito a dite where he can sample wild oats to the fulu, having nu questions asked when the comes in tale of nighus, funds that college nife tings the door wide open for this, and wat there is no lack of companiuns to go to the 山umit with him, or to suow him how to go farther than he would ever have dearned alone.
For the boy whose Christian ideals are high and clean, whose mother has thrilled his boyjeh heart with tuue stories of chanacter heroism in the fellows of father's day, when a chap who wore the biue, or the crameon, or the orange and black, stood out singie-handed against his whole clase for what he believed was right until by sheer force of manhood he broke down their opposition to him and they cheered him to the echo and honored him as one who the echo and honored him as one who
was made of better etuff than theywas made of better etuff than theyhaps, that Christian characier is at a premium to-day among college men; that it is no longer "bad form" to be a Christian (it was actually said to be considered so in a well-known eastern ollege about the time that the writer ollege aboul wiraduate); that the lead was an undergraduale); that the Lead ing men in fraternities, eating olube, athletic teams, musical organizations, and soholarship, are as likely as not to be the leaders in the religious activities of the college; that there is large oppor tunity for thorough-going Bibie study and organized Christian work; and that oollege Ohristianity is Christianity at its best and truest, beoause college life is such a meroiless enemy to sham and ineincerity and lukewarmnees of any sort. He will find that the spirit of such masculine Christianity as Mott and Speer stand for is inepiring and controlling the best that is in college life, and that that beet is a larger part of college life to-day than ever before, and growing larger every year. He will find, in some colleges, that a choice group
of the undergnaduates is keenly interest ed in home and foreign missions, some supporting and conducting city settle. ment work, others with their own mis sionary institutions, bearing the oollege name and waving the college colors, in he foreign field.
All this, college dife offers in the way of opportunity to develop one's better or one's worse side. There are boys who leave college a great deal lower down in the soale of manhood and char acter than when they entered, and who would have been the gainers by the pressure of rigid business life and dis. cipline, with lees freedom until they were older. They have ohosen to let the temptations of college life develop their worst tendenoies. There are many othere-probably a la: ze majority-who have $b$ a helped by the higher impulse of college life to develop their brains and wills in the right direction, and who therefore are immeasurably the gainers by that mental discipline whioh only a college curricuium oan offer, as well as by the culture and breadth which the fellowshp of undergraduate life produces.
A boy ought to be able to go to ool ege-if he ie free to choose either wayand come out a stronger man in body, inind, and epirit, better equipped in every way for a life of usefulness, than he would be at the same age without the ooliege experience. That is what ollege is for; and the reoord of college men as a body abundantly shows that oollege life is fulfilling its mission in our country.
College is a place to learn how to learn, and how to live. It is simply a preparatory counse in life. What one acquires of actual information in col lege is comparatively slight and unim portant; what one learns as to how to study, how to uee his mind, how to get at facts, and how to live servicefully with his fellows, is of tremendous importance. This training the college as an institution can give in lees time and in a manner better oompacted and sys tematized for use throughout life, than is possible outside the colloge campus.

## WHEN THE ANGEL SAYS WRITE.

On the lid of a letter-box on a friend's desk was observed this motto. A glanot of interest and half-inquiry brought out an explanation. "Yes, that is almost my sole rule of life and conduct as regards lettervwriting. I try never to write at all (except, of course, polite notes of regret or aoceptance, etc.) unless I do feel some sort of spiritua. bidding." "But suppose none is sent 7 ' 'It is sure to be-on one condition; and that is, that you never disobey the prompting. No one who has not tried it knows the rich rewards of it." One who has not tried it can testify to the losses and lifelong regret through neg lect of such "spiritual biddings." Only yesterday the daily paper brought news of the sudden death of one who had given words to live on in a time of sore strens and trouble. Just a few days be fore, it is now poignant to remember the impulse came to write a gratefu! heartsome letter. There was a worldfu of petty, unimportant tnings to do. The important thing waited, late and sadly now to be remembered. The letter one is bidden to indite may not be a missive of consolation or counsel or any thing else so earnest. Merry epistles of good cheer and friendliness are quite as important, and quite as disastrously lacking if unwritten. Put the kind thought, the encouraging thought, on paper-do it now. To-morrow it may be too late.

Error shrinks from agitation. It skulks into the corners, and asks to be let alone. Like the moth, it frets away in silence, and only wishes not to be dis. turbed.

MISSIONARY IN WESTERN CANADA.

Mr. Geo. Leslie McKay, eldest son of the great Formosa missionary, occupied the pulpit of Chalmers church, Woodstock, on Sunday evening, August 9th. In introducing him, Rev. Dr. D'ckie said: "One of the great miesionary names in the annals of the Presbyterian Church is McKay of For mosa. In twelve years he gathered in not less than twelve hundred convert and trained fifty native preachers at Oxford College in Formosa. There fore, his is a name truly to be honored by his fellow Christians. Mr. Geo Leslie McKay, who speaks to us tonight, bears the name of his distinguished father, and he speaks in the place where his father so often wor shipped. Mr. McKay labored in the Peacock Mission Field for a part of last summer anu he will address us to night on his work there.'

Mr. Mckay on rising said that one of the greatest problems facing the Church to day is the problem of hom missions. He stated that he went out under the auspices of Knox College Missionary Society, the society which has the largest field for operations of its k'nd in the world. This societ sends its missiunaries to the northern parts of Ontario on the prairies of Manitoba, iskatchewan and Alberta and away est to Vancouver Island, over the Ruckies amongst the toilers of the deep. He told of his setting out from Toronto last year with a large company of missionaries from Knopx College. They took the boat at Owen Sound, having a fair and pleasant passage across Lake Huron until they reached Lake Superior, when a severe storm was encountered. They journeyed on westward, their company be coming smaller as they branched off for their different mission flelds. At Mooce Jaw he set out alone for his own particular field near the border of Montana. As he could find only one Presbyterian family there in the course of several weeks, he was commissioned to leave there and proceed to the Manitou Lake Mission. Securing a broncho he rode north many miles, and told in a humorous fashion of the difficulties he encountered in reaching his field. He had journeyed for a long distance to a certain place where he was told to go to Arlington Beach and he would receive instructions there. On the way he met a man and enquired how far it is to Arlington Beach. Sixteen miles was the answer. Riding on some miles he again enquired. Twenty-two miles was the answer. Proceeding still further he wa: told that it was twentyfour miles distant. Journeying onward, the next enquiry made he was told it was eleven miles. The story of his adventures in finding his Peacock Mission Field was very interesting indeed.

This field has six stations and one of the stations was Manitou Lake, so he concluded when he arrived in the district that this was to be the scene of his labors. At four of the stations the moetings are held in school houses and the other two in private houses. The people are composed of a mixture of Germans, Swedes, Norwegians, Americans and Highlanders. He concluded a very interesting addrees by stating that the prospects of the Peacock Mission Field were most bright. The missionary in this field is partially supported by Chalmers church.

Cheerfulness is a duty. It ought to be a habit. Complaining and whining mill make any home miserable.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

# DAVID SPARES SAUL'S LIFE* 

## (By Rev. Jno. MeMillan, M.A.)

My son David, v. 17. There are many likeable fellows who are full of generous impulses. These impulses riot in their bosoms like the chime of bells in a sealed up chamber. But the musie never gets out. The sufferings of the beauti ${ }^{1}$ nl heroine in the novel or the play exci es their deepest sympathy. But some child may be in grave moral peril before their eyes, and they think it is none of their concern. They go to ohureh, and respond eagerly to the oratory of the preacher. They become indignant at wrong. They loathe impurity. They scorn meanness. They are specially disgusted with hypocrisy. Yet they are not clean-minded, charitable nor unselfish. The soil of their hearts is shallow ground.
What evil, v. 18. "Thrice is he armed, who hath his quarrel just." Socrates was once ordered by the thirty tyrants, then ruling over Athens, to go with some other persons to seize one Leon, a man of rank and fortune, whom they deter mined to put out of the way, that they might enjoy hie estate. Socrates flatly refused, saying: "I will never willingly assist in an unjust act." Cherides sharp ly replied, "Dost thou think, Socrates, to talk always in this style, and not to suffer 9 " "Far from it," he replied, "I expect to suffer a thousand ills, but none so great as to do unjustly." So crates was without fear because he was without baseness,
To seek a flea, v. 20. To find oneself ridiculous, is sometimes a very convinc ing demonstration of one's wrong-doing. Many a man has learned to quit his sin because it was making a fool of him. One teetotal sailor was explaining how he came to swear off from liquor. "I seen a pair of mates what was drunk, he said, "and they was makin' most awful asses of themselves, they was. They bad each other round the neck and was weeping tears of affection down each other's backs. And I asked the bo'sun if I was like that when I was drinking, and be says, 'Why, Bill, you're ten times worse than that.' So I thinks its time to sign the pledge, and, thank God, I ain't making a free show of myself no longer."
I have sinned, v. 21. Every act of wrong is done against the authority of God. To the supreme Lawgiver it belongs to punish $\sin$. In like manner, the law of the country takes punish ment out of private hands. When a burglar breaks into a house, it is not the owner's business, but the business of the whole community to see that he does not escape the penalty of hts crime. And so we learn a double lesson. First, that we shall account to God for every lapse and transgression. And, second, that we must not avenge ourselves, nor hate our enemies.
My life was precious in thine eyes (Rev. Ver.), v. 21. A traveler who lately passed across Canada said of one spectacle he witnessed in the mountains: "I saw the sun forgive the earth that morning. As the light broke, after the dark ness of night, we saw a heavy veil of mist hanging low upon the sides of the Selkirks. Not one snow-wrapped peak was to be seen. Only the deep hollows of the valleys, dark and shaggy with the
*S.S. Lesson, August 30, 1908: 1 Samuel $26: 17.25$. Commit to memory v. 21 Study 1 Samuel, ch. 26. Read 1 Samuel, ohs. 21 to 25 . Golden Text-Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you. -Luke 6:27.
pines, and then a level curtain of grey mist, rolling back and forward and in and out upon itself. Put the sun grew strong and fought the clouds till he conquered them, and chased them away from the face of the earth. Then, when the whole landscape lay basking in the bright warmth of the sun, it knew that it was forgiven. It was restored to the presence of its lord."
Behold the spear, v. 22. Near the end of the seventeenth century a Turkish grandee in Hungary made a Christian aobleman his prisoner, and treated him with the utmost barbarity, compelling him to perform the lowest and hardest of labors. Some years later the fortunes of war changed, and the Turk became the prisoner of the Christian. The Christian said to his servants, "Now take your revenge on your enemy." The Turk, supposing that he was to be tortured to death, swallowed poison. When he learn ed that the "revenge" was the permission to go in peace, he said, with his dying breath, "I will not die a Moslem; I will die a Christian; for there is nc religion but that of Christ which teaches forgiveness of injuries.'

## LIGHT FROM THE EAST.

## (By Rev. James Ross, D.D.)

FLEA - Is a more formidable species of the same troublesome insect that we know. They are very plentiful in Palestine. In some places, especially where there has been an Arab camp, one's legs will be covered with them in a few minutes. The Arabs say, "The King of the fleas holds his court in Tiberias." All the monasteries swarm with them; hence the advantage of camping away from all dwellings.
PARTRIDGE-The word thus translated is used for several kinds of grouse or quail; but here it means the red leg. ged Syrian partridge, which makes its bome among the dense underbush of the uplands. The nest is made on the ground, and is liable to be destroyed or robbed by carnivorous animals. They are hunted now, as of old, by falcons. The sportsman site on his horse, with the hawk on his wrist, and his retainers beat the bushes with much shouting, to start the partridges and drive them towards the huntsman. When they are near enough, the falcon is launched from the hand and swoops down upon his prey, striking it to the earth. One of the keepers darts forward and seizes both the partridge and the hawk. He cuts the throat of the stunned ad and allows the falcon to drink the blood, which it usually does very greedily.

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS.

M., Aug. 31-God everywhere. Ps. 139: T., Sept. 1-God working th us. 1 Cor.

12: 4-13.
W., Sept. 2-God dwelling in us, John T., Sept 3-His fulness in us. Acts 6: F., Sept. 4-His $\begin{gathered}\text { 1-6. } \\ \gamma \rightarrow-2 \text { gutckening. Rom. 8: 1-11. }\end{gathered}$ S., Sept. 5-Ablding forever. 1 John 2: Sun., Sept. $\begin{gathered}\text { 6., Toptc-Songs of the } \\ \text { Heart. } \\ \text { IX. }\end{gathered}$
 with God. Ps. 91. (Conse-
cration meeting.

The life of every man is a diary in which he means to write one story, and writes another; and his humblest hour is when he compares the volume as it is with what he vowed to make it.-). M. Barrie.

## STARTING RIGHT

Most days are made or marred at their very start. A day is a chain of events, and it calls for strong, well-wrought links at the beginning to carry the weight of the links that are to follow. When every hour in a day seems to be making that day more and more of a failure, it is usually easy to trace the failure back to the beginning. The commonest way to insure a lad day is to get up from tn insure a had day is to get up from
fifteen minutes to half an hour later fifteen minutes to half an hour later
than we meant to. That means that than we meant to. That means that
there will be scant time, or more likely there will be scant time, or more likely
no time, for a "morning watch" with the One who is planning the day for us; no time for quiet Bible reading and prayer. Thus we start upon the day's march without any marching orders from the only One who is competent to make them or to give them. Breakfast, then, usually means a time of ill-humor and unlove, and hearts are sore and aching, or ugly and hateful, by the time the day's work is entered upon. From then on the Devil has easy control. By nighttime the fifteen minutes' extra "reat" before getting up does not look like a good investment,-if we are honest engood investment,--1f we are honest en-
ough to face the truth at all and admit that the whole trouble began there. A good start does not insure a good ending, but it goees a long way toward doing so.-S. 8. Times.

## IT IS COMMON.

So are the stars and the arching skies, So are the smiles in the children's eyes; So are the smiles in the children's eyes;
Common the lifegiving breath of the spring;
So are the songs which the wild birds sing-
Blessed be God, they are common
Common the grass in its glowing green; So is the water's glistening sheen; Common the springs of love and mirth; So are the holiest gifts of earth.
Common the fragrance of rosy June; So is the generous harvest moon,
So are the towering mighty hills,
So are the twittering, trickling rills.
So unto all are the promises given,
So unto all is the hope of heaven;
Common the rest from the weary strife; So is the life which is after life-
Blessed be God, it is common.

## PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.

Let me offer two or three practical sug. gestions to those who are seeking a true Christian life. The first one is: Never seek easy paths or places. Peace of conscience, usefulness, spiritual growth and the joy of victory are never found there. Never choose any path in which you cannot disoover the footprints of Christ and of all heroie men and women. To such a man as Paul the roar of lions became music to hie ear; they proved to him that he was in the King's highwav of holiness.
Every victory you win makes you the stronger. The strength of the conquered foe enters into your own soul. The vanquisher of Satan's lions becomes more lion-hearted. Faith as a mere opinion is only a straw; but faith, exercised, links you to Jesus Christ and becomes invincible.
Finally, when your Divine Leader commands a duty he gives you grace for that duty. For every fight he furnishes the weapons; hie mastery of you will give you mastery of self and of $\sin$. Faith will fire the last shot, and when the life battle ends you will stand among the crowned conquerors in heaven.-Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D.D

## FRAGRANT CHRISTIANS

(By Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D.D.)
Our Divine Master directs h/3 disciples to be luminous: "Let your light shine!' He reminds them that they are to be the salt of the earth, to preserve society from moral corruption. There is also a steady and often unconscious influence shed off from the genuine Christian which may be likened to the fragrance shed by aromatic plants. Travelers in southern France can detect at once their entrance into the lavender producing dis-tricts-the air is laden with grateful per fumes.
In the "Canticles there is a lively pic ture of the Church as an "inclosed gar den," with its pleasant fruits, its pome granates, its cinnamon, its myrrh, and all the chief spices. Then follows the prayer: "Awake, 0 north wind; and come, thou south, blow upon my; garden, that the spices thereof ray flow out!" As odors may lie latent in a plant, so graces may remain undeveloped in a Christian. What is needed is to call them forth. Pruning is a sharp process, but God's people of ten require it to make them fruitful. Certain processes arc needed also to make them fragrant.
A "north wind" is prayed for to start the odors. Perhaps this may signify the work of the divine Spirit in producing deep conviction of sin and shortcomings. Christians need to be convicted of $\sin$ as much as un-regenerate sinners. Many of the most pungent calls to repentance in the New Testament are addressed to members of those early churches. Peter members of those early churches. Peter
was under heart-rending convietion of was under heart-rending conviction of
most odious 6in when he went out of Pilate's courtyard weeping bitterly. That started the spices, for true contrition has the savor of a sweet smell in God's estimation. Many years ago a powerful awakening occurred in one of our theological seminaries. The "north wind" of the Holy Spirit's power smote so of the Holy Spirit's power smote so
mightily that some of the students abanmightily that some of the students aban-
doned their hopes, threw away all their doned their hopes, threw away all their
previous impressions as shallow and unprevious impressions as shallow and and
satisfactory, and experienced a deep, thorough reconversion, that went down to the roots of character. One of the best evidences of the power of a revival is that it brings delinquent chureh members to repentance. The same strong gale that uproots false professors, sets the spices of penitence flowing from those who had grown indolent or worldlyminded. Awake; 0 north wind, and blow upon our churches!
God has many methods of developing the graces of his children. Discipline is one of them. They tell us that the juniper plant emits the sweetest odor when it is flung into the fire. We all know that bruised flowers yield the most fragrance. I have had some striking exhibitions-among my own flock-of the influence of severe trials in bringing out the richest and noblest traits of Christian character. A lovely young woman has preached to me far more eloquently from her dying pillow than I had ever preached to ter from the pulpit. Another one, under distressing pecuniary adversities, has been like a chaken cinnamon tree: her eheerful fortitude has proved that nothing can impoverish a soul that is enriched with the unsearchable riches of Christ. Bereavement has able riches of Christ. Bereavement has
sent its bitter blast into some of our sent its bitter blasi into some of our
families; yet the odors of riven hearts have been sweet with the spirit of sub mission. Almost every belliever's experience contains the record of severe trials which were sent in order to shake the spice trees.

Who bears a cross prays oft and well:
Bruised herbs send forth tha sweetest smell:
Were plants ne'er tossed by stormy wind, The fragrant spiees who would find

The inspired poet of the Canticles also praye for the "south wind to come upon my garden." Not only the keen north wind, to bring us to repentance, und the sharp blasts of adversity to test _nd develop our faith, but God is asked to develop our faith, but God is asked to
send the warm south wind of love, to send the warm south wind of love, to
melt us into gratitude and praise. A melt us into gratitude and praise. A
great blessing sent upon a church, or upon a Christian. often makes the hearts thus blessed to become like a bank of violets under a May shower. Do we not need to have more of the felt presence of Jesus in our souls, and more of the warm breath of his love to set all our affections growing and glowing and breathing out a holy joy P However softly the south wind may blow upon the lavender bushes, it is from the bushes themselves that the fragrance must be diffused. God's mercies come alike to saint and sinner. The balmiest of zephyrs cannot draw sweet odors from a pig.weed or a thistle. Dead trees yield plg.weed or a thistle. Dead trees yeld
no fragrance. It is from a zealous, earnno fragrance. It is from a zealous, earn-
est. Christ-imitating life that the sweet, est, Christ-imitating life that the eweet,
attractive influences flow forth; but you and I must do the living.-Brookijn. N.Y.

## A PRAYING CHURCH.

A prosperous church is a church which prays. It is written, "My house shall be called a house of prayer." We must never lose faith in prayer. We must never abandon prayer. We must never lose the spirit of prayer. A church can get on for a considerable time without sing. on for a considerable time without sing. different singing. A chureh may do well with poor preaching, and even without preaching of any kind. But a church without prayer is no church at all. We might as well expect a man to live without breathing as to expect a church to live without praying.
Pray for the minister. Pray for the sick and afflicted. Pray for the child ren. Pray for the lost. Pray for the community. Pray for one another. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into His harvest Pray without ceasing. Pray everywhere. Let the church be characterized by prayer, filled with the atmosphere of pray er, and crowded with the trophies of prayer.

## SYMPATHY.

A plump little girl and a thin little bird Were out in the meadow together. "How eold that poor little bird must be, Withgut any clothes, like mine," said she, 'Although it is sunchiny weather."
"A nice little girl, is that," said he; "But O, how cold she must be! For see, She hasn't a single feather!"
So each shivered to think of the other poor thing,
Although it was sunshiny weather.
The death of Jesus is a more splendid vindication of righteous rule than the death of all sinners would be.-Principal Cave.

There is a courtesy of the heart; it is allied to love; from it springs the purest courtesy in the outward behavior.Goethe.
Most men, Micawber like, are content to sit still and wait for things to turn up. The man who succeeds is the man who turns them up.
He who trusts as if God were the work er, and then works as if God had re mitted all work to men, is sure to find the secret of Christian Success.-Arthur Edwards.
The most hopeless man on earth is the one who learns nothing through experience. One may pull an ass out of the pit a hundred times, and a hundred times it will fall in again.

## LIVING WITH GOD.*

## Some Bible Hints.

The "secret place" is easily found; it is an open secret to the pure in heart (v. 1).
Satan is the father of lies, but God's truth is a shleld against them. Few men realize the comfort and safety of absolute sincerity (v. 4).
Many that do not know God are openly prosperous and do not seem to have fallen; nor will they be seen as fallen till we reach the land of open vision (v. 7).
The child of God is kept in all his ways, ways secular as well as ways religious (v. 11).

## Suggestive Thoughts.

One great hindrance to living with God is subservience to the senses. If we live to the spirit, we shall live with God, who is a spirit.

Live with God, and there is much besides with which you will not care t) live, such as show, pomp, worldly power, luxury.
If we expect to spend eternity with God, we would surely better learn to live with Him in time.
Seemingly the most impossibin thing in Christianity is God's livin with men; Christ came to prove it possible.

## A Few Illustrations.

God in your house makes it at the same time the lordliest palace and the strongest fortress.
The inmates of a house spend time together. So we with God, if He is an inmate of our house.
Those that live together come to be like one another. So we, if we live with God, come to be like Him.
It is an old saying, "You cannot know a person till you live with him." Nelther can you really know the full blessedness of God till you live with God.

## To Think About.

How much time do I spend alone with God each day?
Would it make any difference in my home if I could see God there?
Is it a delightful thought to me that I shall live with God forever?

## A Cluster of Quotations.

Keep me from mine own undoing, Help me turn to Thee when tried; Still my footsteps, Father, viewing,
Keep me ever at Thy side.
-John M. Neale
It may be a question whose loss is the greater, his who thinks that Christ is present with him when He is not, or he who thinks not that Christ is present with him when He is.-A. J. Gordon.

What folly it is to imagine that I canot expect God to be with me every moment!-Andrew 14 urray.

There is no joy like the joy of communion. Living apart from God is misery.-Andrew A. Bonar.

Heart. IX. A life lived
The hardest thing about the hard things of life is, that we must bear so many of them alone.
As flowers always wear their own colors and give forth their own fragraace every day alike, so should Christians maintain their oharacter at all times and under all circumstancee.-Beecher.
Many a man thinks it's virtue that keepe him from turning rasoal, when it's only a full stomaoh. One ehould be grateful and not mistake potatoes for principle.
*Sun., Sept. $\begin{gathered}\text { 6. Topic-Songs } \\ \text { with God. Ps, 91, }\end{gathered}$ of the cration meeting.)

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The August Contemporary opens with an artiele by Dr. Alfred Ruseel Wallace on the Present Position of Darwinism. Harold Spender follows with Next Year's Finance, and H. G. Wells has one of his most interesting articles in which he describes his Socialism, very much on the lines of his recent work called Modern Utopia. Dr. E. J. Dillon's resume of Foreign Affairs is always good, and the Literary Supplement is also a valuable feature of the Contemporary.

In the current Nineteenth Century al so, an important place is given to our recent celebration, on which Arthur Hawkes writes what he calls an English Canadian appreciataion, which makes good reading. All women will be inter ested at the present time in Mrs. Hum phrey Ward's article on the Anti-Suffrage movement, though many will not agree with her arguments. Other timely topics in this number include: The Insecurity of Our Home Defence Today; Art at the Franco-British Exhibition; and the Neo-Royalist Movement in France.

A Summer Venture in the Auguet number of Blackwood's is a charmingly written description of the amusing ad ventures of a yacht. Another very atractive piece of writing is by Marmaduke Piekthall-Found in an old Bureau, being extracte from the diary of a French Woman. One would be glad to hear more of theee daily jottinge, so human and interesting are they. Hugh Clifford's story-presumably based on fact-of Saleh, is concluded in this number, the end being the inevitable tragedy. Canadians will be specially in terestetd in an article by Heeketh. Prichard on Moose-Calling and Moose Hunting, and also in the deecription given in Musinge Without Method of the Olympic Games.

## LEST WE FORGET!

The Prince has come and gone. "Bobs" has come and cone, and the visit of the greatest soldier of the British Empire to our shores is now but a memory. Other lesser men from the home-lands have also departed, and the representatives of the foreign nation, the embassies, the soldiers, the sailors, the battleships have all returned and left us to our own sivereign selves once more. But something, indeed, it may be very much, remains of their visit and of the great celebration with whioh their visit was connected.
"The tumult and the shouting dies,
The captains and the kings depart, Still stands thine ancient sacrifice-
A broken and a contrite heart."
Canada and the Canadian people will be something different from, something more than, they were before the great pageant in the Citadel City. It is not that we will be better known and wider known than we were, though undoubt edly that is true. We ought to be, sure ly we will be, something better and big. ger than we were. If we are not, we have missed a splendid opportuaity for stepping forward in the seale of nationhood and character.
We ought to have a bigger and a broader vision than we had. We should now cherish a better, a more wholesome, imperialism than before, an imperialism that talks more of responsibilities and service and less of glogies and achieve ments. The great and sobering feeling of nationhood should grip us as it has not, for have we not seen ourselves placed, a nation among nations, as we never have been before. The time was when Canadians needed to be urged to cherish a spirit of patriotiem, a belief in themselves and in their destiny; the time now has come when they need to chasten that belief in themselves by the thought of their grea: "esponsibilities and the dangers -..... luties of nationhood.

We should have also a keener sence of the absolute necessity of :aking in the future in our reckoning of the present and of building today fo: the days that are to come. Champlaiy dreamed of the coming oity and of the vation that was to be, and yet his dream were far behind the reality. Today we think of the coming time with glow and enthusiasm, but perhaps we are as short of the mark or as wide of it as he was. But let the future be what it may, we can prepare for it and provide against it wisely and well only as he did, by laying good and true foundations and doing honest and faithful work. Once more we have had the lesson very faithfull brought home to us, that cities and na wns are built up and eetablished only as they are built $u_{p}$ and established in righteousness and honor and in the nobility of toil and service.
We should be a more grateful people than we have been. Once more we have been led to see through how great diffculties and dangers we have been led through the years, and once more the oall has come, with an emphasis that perhaps it has never had before, to acknowledge the goodness and the gracious.
nees and the wisdom of the Hand that has been shaping our history and building up our state. Ingratiti is the greatest blight that oould strike any people, and the glory of the future of which we dream is all wrapped up in the gratitude of today. If the goodness of the God of the nations is not gratefully cherished in our hearts today, how ean He lead us on to the glory that yet remaineth $\boldsymbol{1}$
The call comes to us today also to a truer unity of purpose and ideal and spirit in the bonds of the great Canadian brotherhood. "That they may be one" is surely the prayer of Him who guideth nations as well as churches and individuals, and He will in His own way answer that prayer if we will let Him. To pray for the true spirit of nationhood is to pray for the diffusion of the very spirit of God.-Christian Guardian.

## THE USES OF RELIGIOUS CON. TROVERSY.

In spite of all the occasional disgusts excited by the extremes and exaggerations of controversialists, there remains a very decided relsh for controversy. Nothing wil draw and hold the multitude like a conflict of opinions concerning important questions in theology and reigion. when the disputants have something to say; and, on the whole, no method of instruction is more effective.
There is a bad method of controversy and a good one. The bad method is illustrated when two men who totally misunderstand each other, arise, with mutual dislike and distrust in their hearts, and begin to misrepresent each other's opinions, while they exaggerate the importance and the soundness of their own. He who fihts simply to maintain a party, or to destroy one. and who considers any means justifiable which will bring adherents to his cause, may do some good incidentally. But in such discussions facts and principles are so distorted by partisan prejudic, that the uniearned hearer seldom gets any conception of the integrity of truth. Nothing but fragments are presented, and they commonly out of their proper relations. Great principles are seldom unfolded by one who is scrutinizing the notives and maligning the conduct of his adversary.
The good method is too seldom illustrated in controversy, although something like it is often seen in the work of men who meet no antagonist and sometimes attract no attention. It would be a noble service to the truth if men of convictions, men who think, who long to know the truth, and who dif fer, could state in the ciearest terms the beliefs which they hold, pointing out, when necessary, wherein there is har mony and where difference between their theories and those of their opponents, stating what they desire to attain to and what they wish to avoid, and attempting to show why their theories seem sufficient and where others are weak, to the end that misconceptions might be corrected, half truths find their complement, and unity of purpose be effected in all things concerning which there should appear to be unity of belief.
Such controversy might be strenuousthe more earnest the better-and the result would be that many honest men who now stand far apart would come together, and, better still, the world woud learn what most people are now ignorant of, that there are certain fundamental truths which are no longer in amental truths which are no longer in
dispute among religious people. The dispute among religious people. The
great difficulty is that the world is not yet honest enough for the best kind of controversy.-The Christian Register.

## VACATION DAYS.

The hot season has its compensations to those who are able to get away to the hills, the lakes, the woods or the seashore. The mercury that drives one out of the office and into the pleasant fields of recreation is blessing to thousands. Many otherwise would grind away until health was completely shattered and all usefu, ness at an end. Every man and woman should have d vacation. In these nervous, restle s times our very natures call for it, and even demand it. And if it were twice a year instead of once a year our employers would be the gainers. There would be more heart in the duties of one's calling. The enuui and lassitude which we not infrequently bring to our duties are not infrequently the result of overwork. There wou.d be fewer wrecks on our railways; there would be better service in our departments of business; there would be more heart in many weary shop girls and worn out salesmen. Life would mean more for us all. The vacation rays help restore the balance, nerves regain their com posure, the exhaustion of our bodies un der a too-rigorous strain disappears and our vitality reasserts itself. We are our selves again, ready to enter upon duties with zest and enthusiasm. There wil be fewer mistakes; our books wi.l bal. ance easier, our blood will flow more healthfully and the mind will pull like a kite on the string until the limit is reached.
It nifght be a gain if we would ali inne life with a little more composure But under existing circumstances that seems, to many men and women, an im possibility. Their time is not their own. They must either do the work of their department, or give it up. A let up means in many cases a giving up, and a giving up means one more unfortunate in the great army of the unem. ployed. The work must either be done or some one else will be secured to do it. And because of this a rest from such high tension should be given or we lose our zeal, our vigor, our accuracy and come to our work jaded and go about it mechanicaly.
If ous business is in our own hands there is less excuse for this incessant rush and grind. But if such conditions must be, then the necessity for a brief release from it is all the more imperative. We will live longer, we will live happier, we will be more of a blessing to ourserves and to others if the breath of the mountains or of the sea blows through our aetivities.
In one of our exchanges the editor says that he has not taken a vacation for eight years, but has stood faithfully by his work and issued his paper regularly on time. But ' $n$ his last issue he ssays, "Some indioations the present season have suggested that a rest and change are needed." Those "indications" are bound to come sooner or later. We may hang to our work through necessity or compulsion, and may continue to perform it in a fairly satisfactory way; but the "indications that rest and change are needed" are waiting for us at some turn of the road. Life is
more than meat. The body is more than raiment. Time is wore than an opportunity for work. The character is shaped by the vacation days as well as by the days of toil, by the avocations as well as by the vocations.
An outing of a few weeks gives us themes to think about and laugh over for years to come. The experiences we have had, the friends we have met, the ridicuious people we have seen, the new ways of doing things which we have observed, the knowledge of the world which we have gained are things whioh give spice to life. The new orators to whom we have listened, the singers who have entertained us, the ships in which we have ridden, the streams in which we have fished, the woods in which we have hunted are memuries that come back to us after many days, like the bread cast upon the waters, to strengthen many a friendship and brighten many an evening hour. And the employer an evening hour. And "help" their right. who kindly givas his "help" their right-
fully-earned season of recreation has fully-earned season of recreation has
not only added to the efficiency of his employees, but has contributed to their home happiness and their own individual delight. Many large firms give day's outing to those in their emp.oy, a ceasion which attaches employer amployee more elosely together and nd employee more closely esults in better relationship and more efficient service. Better would we all be if we would follow the Master's ad
vice: "Come ye yourselves apart and vice: "Come ye yourselves apart
rest awhile."-United Presbyterian.

## OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC.

The General Baggage Department of The Grand Trunk !ialwy syclem hae just isesued a summary of the cules and regulations governing baggage car traffic for the guidance of bggagemaeters, station and train bgggemen on the entire system, nd this pocket manual pertaining to their duties ie designed to provide not alone for t1e usnai conduct of the burinese, but action desired in case of all kinds of contingencies, and per lexities, which may assail the employees of the Baggage Department.
The Manual consiste of 68 pages, and an examination of the bur, $k$ indicates the very important part the Baggage Department of a great Railway System plays in the conduct of the passenger traffic, the asurance that paseengers may feel that their personal belongings which accompany them in the baggage ar are being carefully watched, and that liability for the lose t-ther mopary or permanent is arriving at he dieappearing point by fort ight and he dieappearing point the the and of this important branch of the eervice.
There is a distinct effort made in this book to have ever present in the mind of the employee of the Baggage Department that his \&.. st duty is to the public, and to illustrate this, on the first page of the book appeare such clauces as the following:

The relations and responsibilities of common carriers to the travelling pub lic are such as to require from the car rier the most constant and watchful care of the property of the traveller.
"As Station and Train Baggagemasters you are entrusted with the safekeeping and proper transportation of effects which ara volutble to the cwn ers. Nothing can be more annoying to travelers than the lose of, abuse of or delay of their baggage.

You must try to give satisfaction to the public and establish a reputation for courtesy and civility to everyone You expected is is wiite at all You are expeded civilly all questions imes, to answer cis anable tive addreesed to you, in alive any necessary inforlurion, endeavor when practicable, to obtain it if per taining to baggage car traffic, if not, the passenger should be directed to the proper office. Endeavor to make the Grand

Trunk Railway System popular; ite business is dependant on the good-wil of the people.'
It is expected that in this manner the employees of the Baggage Department will appreciate that in serving the pub lic intelligently a.d well, thoy hare cer ving their employere equally, as without this spirit to co-operate, neither the pub lie nor those in charge of the different Departments of a great Railway System are reasonably satisfied.

## LITERARY NOTES.

The August Fortnightly containe the usual varied bill of fare. Two articles on the Quebec Tercentenary appeal most etrongly to Canadiane-the Romance of the Past, by Edward Salmon, and the Call of the Present, by Jaance Milne. Call of the Present, by Jamos Milne. In the latter we find a good description
of the French-Canadian of today: "The of the French-Canadian of today: "The
French Canadian has, admittedly, not French Canadian has, admittedly, not the initiative, the energy, the "grit" of the Briton, who is alreaay the induetrial force of Canada. He is content to go on rather in the old way of simplicity, salt and sincerity, "contented wi" little and cantie wi mair," as Robert Burne says. He is fond of musio and of art, and the statues of Champlain and Laval which he has erected in Quebec--French Canadian handiwork--sugreet that some day he may be the artist of the American continent. He is thinking a good deal continent. He ie thinking a good deal of the past, to which tradition and his Church anchor him, while the Briton ie thinking chiefly of the future, and of the splendor and wealth that await a Canada fully peopled and fully devel oped." Other subjects discuesed in this number are: "The Fight Against Duelling in Europe, the Literary Indebtedness of England to France, the Persian Crieis, Sweated Industries, and Towards Union in South Africa."
Gertrude Atherton, who is travelling on the continent, spent July in Obera mergau, where she has been the guest of the man who takes the part "Christ ue" in the famous Passion Play.
At last Swinburne's "The Age of Shakespeare," ie in the prees nad is promised for September or early Ooto ber. The actual day of publication is left to the Harpers, who have the American copyright, and whose eplen did edition of Swinburne's Poetical Works has made known to Americand the poet acknowledged by all European cri ices to be the greatest alive. Thie great prose work is published in Eng land by Chatto \& Windus. It is to be dedicated to Charles Lamb in a poem, the opening stanza of which is quoted the opening stanza
in the Athenaeum:
"When stark oblivion froze above their names
Whose glory shone round Shakespeare's bright as now.
One eye beheld their light shine full as fame's,
One hand unveiled it; this did none but thou.'
Harper's Magazine has publiehed Swinburne's great eesays on "Lear" and "Othello" and "Richard II." It pub lished also Theodore Watte-Dunton'e eesay on Hamlet.
Another link with Thackeray, Dick ene, Disraeli and many of the literat of the last century is broken, in the death of Charles J. Dunphie, who was for half a century on the staff of the Morning Poet. He became the dramatic and art critio in 1856, holding the double post until 1895, when he confined himeelf to the art department Mr. Dunphie wrote Latin verse and some essaye which gave him genuine prestige in scholarly coteries. "Sweet Sleep," "The Chamelenn," and "Many Colored Fseays" are mentioned in the biographical notice. Mr. Dunphie was a friend of Joseph Knight, Westland a friend of Joseph
Marston, father of the blind poet, PhilMarston, father of the blind poet, Phil-
lip Bourke Marston, and many of the distinguished group who were wont to gather at "Chalk Farm.

## STORIES POETRY

## MABEL'S MUSEUM.

The mistress of the manse opened the Toor decisively and then hesitated. Be hind her was the hot disorderly kitchen before her the cool dining-room with its long table partially set, its shaded windows; and in its farther cornef, curled up in the big rocking chair, the little daughter, smiling happily over ber book. It was this part of the pieture that had called the halt. Mothers do not enjoy making disagreeable requests. They really do not.
The morning had been one of unusual hurry and flurry. A belated letter announcing a party of guests for dinner had thrown the quiet household into a sudden fever of preparation. Mabel had entered into the general excitement with all the zeal and exhilaration that a prospect of "company" always arouses in a child, and her servicet had been invaluable. But her mother had noticed how able. Billing feet had lagged a little on their the willing feet had laggedalitle on their last errand and the sigh of weariness that had come unbidden. She had been glad to dismiss her to rest and wonderland, and now there was real regret in her heart and voice as she spoke at last.
"Mabel, dearie, I am sorry to disturb
"Mabel, dearie, I am tired, but Mary you, is so busy."
The little girl looked up in a dazed way. She had travelled too far into wonway. She had travelled a moment's notice. derland to get back at a moment's notice.
But the present with its delightful foreBut the present with its
look was easily recalled.
"Ho! I'm not tired a bit! What is it P "
"Would you mind getting the potatoes or dinner ?"
The chair rocked violently as Mabel scrambled out of it, falling over her own feet, and the book landed with a slam on the window-seat.
slam on the window-se
"Mind! Course not!"
Mind! Course not!"
And so, stumbling and tumbling and And so, stumbling and tumbing kitchen.
"Where's the pan, oh, Mary Ann?" she sang.
Mary Ann made no answer. None was needed. The pan was self-evident. But Mary Ann was grumpy. She did not approve of unexpected company and not approventing her ill-humor on a silver she was venting her ill-humor on a silver teapot, much to the teapot's advantage. The little girl touched her frowsy head lightly with the pan as she passed by.
"Oh I'm going down cellar-and-and -you're a good feller-yes, you are, Mary Ann!" the broken song continued.
Mary Ann's clouded face began to vie with the teapot.
"Go 'long wid ye!" but she chuckled with pleasure.
with pleasure.
The pan suddenly became a tambourine, and a moment later landed with a clatter at the foot of the cellar stairs.
"Mamma!"-a shout from the depths.
The mother walked hurriedly from the pantry to the head of the stairs to ask softly, "What is it, dearq"
"How many shall I getp"
"Oh, that depends on the size-twenty, perhaps."

Before she had reached her moulding. board again, she was recalled.
"Mamma!"
"Well, dearq"
"I think I'll get, twenty-one to make sure."
The protracted stay below was accountea for a little later.
"I picked out all the funny ones I could find. Some of 'em are awful funny,"

The pump handle rattled and the sudden stream of water striking upon the heaped-up potatoes splashed in all direotions. Mary Ann's face was in full range.
"Oh, you bothersome child, you! I wish I'd got the petaties meself!" she oried, spluttering.
"I didn't mean to, Mary Ann; I'm aw. ful sorry."
The child's face and tone were full of penitence, and the kind Irish heart behind the rough speech and manner was touched.
"Niver you moin, darlint. A little water won't spile my beauty."
Mary Ann was surprised and delighted at her own wit. She laughed until the tears dropped into her silver polish and tears dropped into her" siver poexpected company" began to seem less of an unmixed evil.
But the episode had a subduing effect upon Mabel, who fell to work in silence. "There, I've pared three. Three goes in twenty-one-that's one-seventh. Mamma! one-seventh are done."
"How fine!"
Now the art of digging potatoes is not included in any college curriculum, and it was the family conviction that the parson's potatoes carried into he cellar every year enough of mother earth for a next year's growth.
"This water's awful muddy, mamma. It's just black."
It's just black."
"You had better pour it off and get more.
"Oh, but I don't want to. I like it this way. I'm going to excavate at Pompeii and then I'll have a museum! La dies and gentlemen, behold me as I des cend into the depths! What is this I discaver (I guess these two hugged up so close in the hill that they most grew together.) Ladies and gentlemen, these together.) Ladies and gens in the Wood, just as they were left by their cruel just as they were left by their cruel
uncle! I hope he got buried up in the ashes to pay him."
"Well, they got buried up, too."
"Mary Ann, you mustn't interrupt my museum. Here are two potatoes just as round-as round as anything. I tell you what ! They're loaves of bread. Mamma , didn't you say they found some loaves of bread at Pompeii ${ }^{2}$ "
"Yes, just as they were placed in the oven more than 1,800 years ago.
"Well, here they are, just as fresh as the day they were baked. Have a sloe, Mary Ann?"
"No. thank ye. I don't admire raw petaty," came from Mary Ann's tightlyclosed lips.
"Seven potatoes pared; seven goes in wenty-one three times-that's one-third. Down I plunged again into the darkness! (Here's anger pair of potatoes just (Here s another hitehed together). I declare -1 do declare! They are the Siamese twins! (I though). I tell you how it was! Ladies and gentlemen, these twins didn't live happily together. One of them ate up all the dinner so the other couldn't grow. They quarrelled and soolded each other, thought twins were the same size, and the lava came and buried them both up. You see now what comes of quarrelling."
" S 'pose you remember that next time you and Jack go to squabblin'."
"Mary Ann, you do interrupt so. You disturb my excavating. And here comes the funniest one of all-a big potatoe with three little ones growing out of it. Hol I know ! Ladies and Gentlemen, Hol this is the Venus of Mino (Her head is rather crooked, but 1 guess 1 can pare it off). These are her little stubs of arms. She was trying to 'seape and she fell down and broke off her arme!"
A silence followed broken by the clatter of knife and pan.
"Mamma. T've got fifteen pared. Fifteen goes in twenty-one-no-three goes in fifteen and three goes in twenty-one in that's five sevenths. That's a pretty hard the sever. I must descend hard 'xample Well, down-down-down! What is this that I behold! (That's a queer shaped
one, like a pear, only it's too knobby one, like a pear, only its
on top). Why, so it is! I never thought! on top). Why, so it is I I never Mought,
It is the bust of Shakespeare. Mamma, It is the bust of Shakespeare, Mamma,
it looks just like him. Ladies and genit looks just like him. Ladies and gentlemen, here is the great Shakespeare himself. This is really just the splend-
idest museum! It's wonderf'ller than Barnum's l"
"Company'll want pertaties for dinner, Barnum or no Barnum. If youse don't hurry up I'II have to take a hand."
Mary Ann was gathering up her eloths and brushes. The silver lay in a resplendent row on the table-a regiment of glittering forks and spoons, commanded by Captain Teapot, who seemed to ed swollen beyond his wont with the pride of his glory How dazzling would pride of his glory. How dazzing woul!" be the effect on the the with pride and Mary Ann surveyed them with pride and
an expectation of compliments.
A few moments later the little girl strod at her mother's elbow. She brandished the potato-knife, and little drops of muddy water trickled from her finger tips.
"Three thirds! Seven-sevenths! Twen-ty-one-twenty-oneths ! They're all ready, mamma. My museum is finished-ten cents admission; but you shall come in for nothing, you dear little mammal I think it's a pretty good way, don't you, mammar I've studied art and housekeeping and arithmetic all at once; don't you think that's a pretty good way?" your mother thought it was a most Her mother thought it was a excellent "way" to transform a disagree able task into a pleasunter so between she to
kisses.
Such an odd-looking dish of potatoes as we had for dinner that day! Mary Ann "hadn't the heart to mash 'em." The "Venus of Milo" fell to me, and I ate it with much inward amusement.-Congregationalist.

## TOM'S LESSON.

Uncle Jack had taken Tom for a walk In the woods, and as they came through the grove Tom idly brought his stick down upon a family of ants that were busy carrying into their home some busy carrying into noen left by a pienic crumbs
party.
"I
"I am sorry that the woodland newspaper will have report a tragedy," said Uncle Jack, soberly. "They will have to say: 'While busy storing provisions in their home near Long Pond, the ant family was struck by a tornado, and nearly everyone parished. This was an nexcellent family, and was doing no harm. excelent family, and was doing no harm. In the home were several hittle ones, who waited through the night for something to eat; but finding the house overturned and their parents missing, they started off into the woods and were lost. The ${ }_{\text {e }}$ cause of the tornado is unknown."
"Why is it like that ${ }^{\text {" }}$ " asked Tom, in surprise.
"Certainly. They have been at come pains to build that little house; see how ingenious they were in fashioning it! Now it is laid waste, and they must find a new pot. Some of the little ones are dead, too."
Tom looked down ruefully at the havoo he had macs, "I know what will make them happy," he said; "I will leave this piece of nut cake from will leave this piece of nut cake that." my lunch box, and they will eat that. He laid the cake down carefully, and
was rewarded by seeing other ants swarm over it and carry bits to anoth. er place, where he thought they mean to build a new home. "I think they will soon forget," he said; "don't your" "Probably; but if they forget, I am sure you will not," said Unele Jack. And Tom found that he never did.-

## CARRYING HIS MAJESTY'S MAILS

Doge are pressed into the service for earrying the mails in the North-West of Canada. One of the sights to a Brit fsher fresh from home, in a thriving town like Edmonton, Alberia, is the ar rival of a dog-sledge fom the wintry land beyond.
At Edmonton the great main line of railway ends, and it is the best "jump ing off" place for the vast territory to north and west. Through that territory the mails must go, and the use of dog. sledges to convey them was no doubt adopted, and most wisely so, from the Esquimaux.
The dogs are probably four in num ber, shaggy and sharp-nosed, even woll like in appearance, of Esquimaux breed, or among them may be seen one or more of the St. Bernard type. Behind them is the sledge, light yet capacious, capable of conveying the mail bags, with the driver and friend. Quickly they pass over snow and ice, bearing fond metisages to distant relatives beyond the seas. The dog train forms a most valuable and picturesque lint is that wonderful chain of communications which helps to bind together the Empire and carries His Maj. esty's mails over the world.
When, therefore, you drop your letter in the post-box at home for your boy in the far North-West, it is first whirled fast to Liverpool by the mail train, then taken on board a huge mail steamship to cross the ocean; then again on railway postal cars, or baggage cars, into the interior; and finally by the dog-sledge miles and miles away, to one of the remotest corners of the British Empire.
And all for a penny 1 This is one of the triumphs of the Imperial Penny Postage, for which Mr. Henniker Heaton at home, and Sir William Mulock, when at home, and Postmaster-General of Canada, did so much.
Or suppose the letter be posted in summertime, and your relative lives not beside an ice-bound river, but on a prairie settlement further south. What then ?
The Canadian postal service is ready with an answer. Here is a buekboard for it; a light waggon which is little more than a board on four wheels, and with one or two seats for coachman and passenger. Boxes and water-tight mail bags are piled on the board and away it goes over the springy grase to its destination far away.
Or, yet again, suppose that water leads most directly to your friend, a river which may be full of rapids, and yetat spaces-full flowing and swift-then eanoes, flat-bottomed "York boats," and portage come into play.
Indians often bear a hand at this business. They know well how to paddle the mail canoe, and when the rapids rush and swirl ahead, they beach the frail craft and carry the whole load and the canoe itself round the danger-spot to smooth water again. This process is called portage. Or, if the mail bags and ealled portage. Or, if the mail bags and barge-like boat, it would be let down gradually along the rapids "by ropes to the safe channel below.
Rapids, it may be explained, is the name given to a very swift flow of the river when, for instance, the channel slopes suddenly downward, but not bo much so as to become a eataract or waterfall; the channel is often broken by rocks or tree trunks and sometimes descends in a series of slopes, or, maybe, levels, one below the other to the quieter flow beyond.
Pack-mules are also utilized in some of the remoter districts. The railway terminus on the long, long road which leads to Dawson City, in the Yukon territory, is at White Horse Rapids, and thence your letter pursues its way on the Dawson trail by pack-mules miles and miles along to the remote NorthWest.

Steamers, of course, are used by the Canadian Post-office. Canada possesses a wonderful system of waterways, the Dominion indeed containing much more than half the fresh water on the globe; navigable rivers have been deepened and canals constructed for inland traffic. Railways also are being rapidly built. Over twenty thousand miles of railway routes were open in June, 1906, and many more miles of railway were under construction, more than a thousand miles being opened in one year recently. Mail catching posts are also utilized in Canada as in Britain. Our Canadian fellow' subjects pride themselves-and not low subjects pride themselves-and Durwithout reason-on being up-to-date. During the construction of a great main liue,
the "End of the Track" post-office was the "End of the Track" post-office was brought into use, and was found of great service. This was a railway van employed as a post-office, and pushed for ward as the line advanced to the civil. of the track"-a pioneer indeed of civi ization, and a testimony to the organiz ing ekill of the Canadian Post-office.
Australia also possesses a large number of cailway lines, though the mileage is rot so great as in Canada. They are argely used for the conveyance of the mails, while in New South Wales, in outlying districts, coaches are employed.
Throughout the vast extent of the British Empire almost every means of conreyance known to man is used in the postal service. Ve are so accustomed postal service. Ve are so accustomed
to receive our letters with regularity that to receive our letters with regularity that
we do not think of the native runner, we do not think of the native runner,
the dog-sledge, the camel, or the horse, hat play their parts in the great ser vice. But they all work together toward the desired end, and with the speedy mail trains and fast steamships, form a remarkable organization for the ser vice of man.

## THE TRIPLE INJURY.

Talking people down behind their backs is about as ingenicus and far reaching a kind of $\sin$ as the Devil has yet invented. For such a missile kills three birds with one stone. It injures the one talked about, the one talking, and the one talked to. A reputation is smirched every time we pass on an unnecessary criticism of a fellow being. Our own character and self-control are weakened with every such word. And the mind of the listener is poisoned; he who ought to be helped to see and think about the best in others has been degraded, part. way at least, toward the unworthiness of our own low level. Once in a while an almost knoek-out blow is given to this unworthy and unfair kind of fighting by some one's quietly mentioning a good quality in the absent person who is being critieized. This al most invariably brings gossip to an ab rupt close. We shall do well to end others' gossip by this means; and we shall do still better to end our own before it begins,

## WOOD PULP FOR PAPER FROM SAWDUST.

"Science Siftings" says:-We lately commentedupon the insufficient supply of wood pulp for the manufacture of paper, and in view of this fact the plans of a Canadian company, at the entrance of Rainy River, 20 miles from Vancouver, are of great interest. A large plant has been erected which will convert the vast been erected which will convert the vaist
waste from the saw and shingle mills, waste from the saw and shingle milns,
including the sawdust-which is now including the sawdust-which is now
burned at large expense to prevent ac-cumulation-into pulp for paper. The refuse from the local mills will be conveyed to the pulp plant, where the en tire mass will be disintegrated into buitable fineness and then used to supplement chemical fibre in the manufacture of paper.

The man who deserves success is the only one who can afford to lose it.

HOT WEATHER AILMENTS.
A medicine that will keep chidren well is a great boon to every mother. This is just what Baby's Own Tablets do. An occasional dose keeps the little stomach and bowels right, and prevents sickness. During the hot weather months stomach troubles speedily turn to fatal diarrhoea or cholera infantutn and if a medicine like Baby's Own Taband if a medicine like Baby's Own lets is not at hand the chlid may die
in a few hours. The wise mother will in a few hours. The wise mother will always keep a box of Tablets in the
house and give them to her children oc house and give them to her children oc-
casionally to clear out the stomach and bowels and keep them well. Don't wait until the child is aick-the delay may cost a precious ittle life. Get the Tablets now and you may feel reasonably safe. Every mother who uses these Tablets praises them and that is the best evidence that there is no other medicine for children so good. And the mo ther has the guarantee of a Government analyst that the Tablets contain no opi ate or harmful drug. Dealers sell the Tablets, at 25 cents a box or yon call
det them by mail from The Dr. Wil Liams' Medicine Co., Brockvile, Out

## WHISTLING PIGEONS.

One of the most curious expressions of emotional life is the application of whist les to a flock of pigeons. These whistles, very light, weighing but a few grammes, are attached to the tails of young pigeons soon after their birth by means of fine copper wire, so that when the birds fly the wind blowing through the whistles sets them vibrating and thus produces sets them vibrating and thus producents
an open-air concert, for the instruments an open-air concert, for the instruments in one and the same flock are all tuned
differently. On a berene day in Peking, where these instruments are manufact ured with great cleverness and ingenuity it is possible to enjoy this aerial music while sitting in one's room.
There are two distinct types of whistles -those consisting of bamboo tubes placed side by de, and a type based on the princi of tubes attached to a gourd body or wind-chest. They are lacquered in yellow, brown, red and black, to pro lect the material from the destructive influences of the atmosphere. The tube whietles have either two, three or five tubes. In some specimens the five tubes are made of ox-horn instead of bamboo. The gourd-whistles are furnished with a mouthpiece and small apertures to the mouthpiece and small apertures to the number of two, three, six, ten and ever
thirteen. Certain among them have, bethirteen. Certain among them have, be-
sidee, a number of bamboa tubes, some sides, a number of bamboo tubes, some
on the principal mouthpiece, some aron the principal mouthpiece, some at
ranged around it. These varieties are dis ranged around it. These varieties are dis
tinguished by different names, Thus tinguished by different names. Thus, a whistle with one mouthpiece and ten tubes is called "the eleveneyed one."
The explanation of the practice of this quaint custom which the Chinese offer is not very satisfactory. According to is not very satisfactory. According to
them, these whistles are intended to them, these whistles are and to protect the pigeons from attacks of birds of prey. There seems, however, little rea son to believe that a hungry hawk could be induced by this innocent music to keep aloof from satisfying his appetite; and this, doubtless, savors of an after thought which came up long after the introduction of this usage, through the attempt to give a rational and practical interpretation of something that has no rational origin whatever; for it is not the pigeon that profite from this prac tice, but merely the human ear, which feasts on the wind-blown tubes and de rives aesthetic pleasure from this music. And here, again, it seems to be a pure ly artistic and emotional tendency that has given rise to a unique industry and custom applied to nature-life.-Scientific American.

I am willing to work, but I want work that I can put my heart into, and feel that it does me good, no matter how hard it is.

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LETTERS

## WILLIAM EWART GLADSTONE AS A BIBLE STUDENT.

Lord Salisbury called Mr. Gladstone a great Christian. To this Mr. Morley adde: "Nothing could be more true or better worth saying. He not only accepted the doctrines of that faith as he believed them to be held by his own communion; but he sedulously strove to pply the noblest moralities of it to the affairs both of his own nation and of the affairs both of his own nation and of the commonwealth of nations. the These
striking statemente indicate the striking statemente indicate the real
source of the power of the great statesman.
They suggest also that Mr. Gladstone must have been a diligent student of the Bible, for no man can become a great Christian without constant meditation on the teachings of Christ and on the divine revelation that preceded His coming and His teaching.
In fact, Mr. Gladstone began early to read and study the Bible. His diary hows that between the ages of twelve and eighteen he had formed the habit of Bibie study that endured to the end One constant entry in his diary. Mr. Morley eays, is: "Read Bible." While at Oxford his Greek Testament and Bible, as indicated by the entrie in his diary, were in daily use. On one Sunday he attended chapel three times, read his Bible, and looked over his shorter abstract of Butler's Analogy. A few days later the entry in his diary states that he read the Bible and four of Biehop Horsley's eermons.
A little later in his eareer, when he was twenty-three years of age, he stated tia a memorandum that up to that age he had taken a great deal of teaching direct from the Bible. "But now," he adds, "the figure of the Church arose before me as a teacher, too, and I gradually found in how incomplete and fragmentary a manner I had drawn divine truth from the saored volume as indeed I had also missed in the Thirty. nine Articles some things which ought to have taught me better.'

His inner life was thus steadily built up by the direct study of the Bible and by the light thrown upon the Bible by the Ohristian Church. Long before he entered upon his marvelous pubic career he had a firm conviction that men who have no belief in the divine cevelation are not the men to govern the nation.
In the strain and stress of his later political life the Bible was an unfailing source of light and strength to him. He epeaks frankly in his journal of what the Bible was to him in the crises of his life. His words are well worth taking to heart by all men: "On most occasions of very shatp pressure or trial, some word of Scripture has come home to me as if borne on angel's wings. Many could I recollect. The Psalms are the great storehouse. Perhaps I should put some down now, for the continuance of memory is not to be trusted. 1. In The winter of 1837, Psalm 128. This came in a most singular manner, but it would be a long storv to tell."
Though men persistently misunderstood him. Mr. Gladstone seems to have noted throughout his iife on Christian principles. "Life was to him," says Mr. Morley, "in all its aspects an applioation of Chrietian teaching and example." Of all his teachers he said he owed most and owed enormouely to the four gospels.

He once sent to one of his sons at Oxford an outline of suggestions for the conduct of life. These, it is said, were
really a deseription of his own habit and unbroken practice. Among them was this: "As to duties direotly religious, such as daily prayer in the morning and evening, and daily readinge of some por tion of the Holy Scripture, or as to the holy ordinances of the gospel, there is little need, I am confident, to advise you; one thing, however, I would say that it is not difficult, and it is most beneficial, to cultivate the habit of in wardly turning the thoughts to God, though but for a moment in the course though but for a moment in the bourse or during the intervals of our business
which continually present occasions re. which continually present occass
quiring His aid and guidance."
In the light of what we know to have been Mr. Gladstone's loyalty to Christian teachings we are not surprised by his steadfast purpose to apply Christian principles to all phaees of life and con principles to all phaees of ife and with duct. Once, in a conversation
an Amerioan visitor, he said that every an Amerioan visitor, he said thatem. He problem of life is a gospel problem. He believed that the teaohings of Christ, when received and obeyed, will regulate all human life in the beet possible manner. He believed that in Christ all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are hidden.

He stande out in the bistory of the past century not only as an intellectual giant, but massive in his Christian personality. Every one who seeks to live life at its best will find it well worth while to study with care the career of thie marvelous man. He once wrote, "All I write and all I think, and all I am, is based on my unfeigned faith in the divinity of the Lord Jesus Chriet, the one central hope of our poor, wayward race."
On the impregnable rock of Holy Scripture his inner life was built up.The Bible Today

## THE BISHOP'S TEST.

The late Dr. Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, was, above all, practical, and his methods, even of carrying out theological theories, were extremely realistic. It was not enough for the young men who came under his charge to teli him what they thought they would do under such and such circumstances; he insisted that they should show him just how they would go to work.
While he was Bishop of London it was Dr. Temple's habit to invite parties of young candidates for ordination to stay at Fulham Palace. One evening on such at Fullam be came into the room where six of these young men were, where six of these young men were, and informed them that he was going into his studv to lie on his sofa, and they were to come to him in turn, and administer such counsel and comfort as they would to a sick or sorrowing parishioner.
When the Bishop left the room there was an awful hush and a long silence, for this test of their future capabilities did not impress them favorably.
"Are you going to be all nightp" called the Bishop at last.
This roused them, and they decided to draw lots as to whe should go. The lot fell to a young Irishman, who, tak. ing his courage in both hands, went into the sanctum. He bent over the supposed sufferer, but words failed bim. But for an instant only. Then he shook his head and bent still lower. "Oh, Frederick, Frederick!" said the audacious young candidate, "it's the dhrink again!"
The Bishop gasped, then his face lighted. "You'll be altogether admirable in an East End parish," he said calmly.

## NEW ST. JAMES' CORNER STONE.

With simple impressiveness, the laying of the corner-stone of Stu James Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, on August 20th, was conducted at the corner of Locke and Herkimer streets. The congregation, which assembled to witness the ceremony, was a large one, including many of the ministers from churches in the neighborhood and laymen.
Rev. T. McLacblan, pastor of the church, was the chairman, and the ceremony was opened with the singing of the 72nd Psalm. Rev. Alexander Mclaren then read portions of the scripture. This was followed by the laying of the stone by Rev. Dr. Fletcher. He was presented with a beautiful silver trowel by Rev. Mr. MoLachlan. Dr. Fletoher took but a few moments, elosing with the well remembered words, "I solemnly declare che corner stone for this sacred edifice he corner truly laid" This was followed ell and Ry P VanWyek and by prayer by Rev. J. R. VanWyek and
the singing of the doxology.
An adjournment was made to the pre sent church, where a programme of speeches was presented.
Rev. Dr. Fletcher was the first speaker, and he thanked the congregation very heartily for the silver trowel that had been presented to him. He referred in few words to the history of the eburch. It had been founded by the Presbytery seventeen years ago, on the 13 th of O tober. Rev. T. C. Thomson was the first minister. He was followed by Rev. Mr. MeDermott, and he by the present pastor, Rev. Thomas MoLachlan. Dr. Fletcher then referred to the life of a happy Christian, which should be the point that every member of the congregation should strive to reach.
Rev. Mr. MoLaren congratulated the congregation on its achievements. It should be the earnest effort of every one to take some active part in connection with the chureh work.
Rev. De Courcy Raynor, of Immanuel Congregational Ohurch, said there were no petty jealousies between the different chunches in the west end of the city. He wished the congregation every suc cess in its new building.
Mr. Geo. H. Milne said that-it gave him great pleasure to be present and participate in the services. The work had been slow in the west, but it was pick ing up, and he looked forward to the time when St. Jamee' would be one of the strong churches in the eity.
Mr. T. J. Shanks said he was not a believer in large churches. There was lees of the sociability in them that is so necessary in the life of the church. He was delighted at the manner in which the congregation had gone ahead with the building of the new edifice.
Mr . George Rutherford, on behalf of Central Church, wished the church all Central wishes, which he felt proud to the good wishes, which he felt proud to be the bearer of. He was sure that the
church would receive the best wishes of church would receive the best wish
every sister Presbyterian Church.
every sister Presbyterian
Rev. Beverly Ketchen presented con gratulations on behalf of MoNab Street Church. He doubted if Hamilton would again see the laying of three cor ner-stones of Presbyterian Churches in various parts of the oity in one briel summer. He believed that the future work of the congregation would be a heavy one, but the persisiency of purpose that has characterized the members in the past, he felt sure, would be the watchword in years to come.
Rev, J. Roy VanWyck, Mr. J. B. Gra Rev. J. Roy VanW yck, Mr. Mr. G. A. houng, Mr. George Black and Mr A Young, Mr. George Black and Mr A
M . Cunningham were the other speakers. M. Ounningham were the other speakers.
A short musioal progranme was given A short musioal programme was given
by Robert Symmers, Miss Sadie Fraser and Mr. O. Penny.

The following is a list of what the orner-stone contains: The original subsoription to the new church, list of scholars and teachers, list of charter members of the church, list of contributors, list of contractors, list of present members, list of members of Young People's Society and Ladies' Aid, a brief ple's society and Ladies' Aid, a copies of history of daily papers.
The members of the Building Committee are: R. A. Lyall, chairman; David C. Smith, secretary treasurer, W. A Smith, W. Mathie, N. Cook, C. A. Harvey, Rev, T. McLachlan. J. Curry, Mrs. W, A. Smith Mrs. W. Mathie. Mrs, Geo, Ferguson, Mrs. (Rev.) T. McLachlan, Mise Edith Dean.
The work of the Building Committee began in June 1908. In July the com tracts were let after $\$ 5,000$ had been subscribed. The total cost of the church will be in the neighborhood of $\$ 14,000$.

## the rev. Johin mocarter.

Bv the death of the Rev. John M McCarter, which took piace on July 12. at his residence, No. 70 Promenade. Portobello, Edinburgh there has ended a long career of ministerial and mission ary activity. He was born in Ayr. and hecame a student of Edinhurgh Tiviver hecame a student of cong and took his theological course it sity, and took his theological course
the Free Chnrch College there. In 1863 the Free Church College there. In 1865 .
be, with six others, responded to a call be. with six others, responded to a call
to labor abroad. and was settled as as to labor abroad. and was settled as aै
minister of the Dutch Reformed Church (Presbyterian), in Natal. South Africa. For mane years that church had been sunnlied by ministers from Sootland. His first chatge was Weenen. then Ladvemith and Erme'o. Busy there, he Ladvsmith and Erme that on and about the Drachent found that on and about the Drachent. here mountains ware many farmers with
their familiea living without any means their families living without any means of grace. Finding it thus, and being weleomed bv them, he snon advised them to eather money, make bricks, and became a church. which was done. and becastle the wall known in the late Boer war, and so well known in the iate Bner . Firmelo whe fifty miles from his manse at Lady was fifty miles from his manse at Ladysmith and Neweastle eighty miles. The charge was divided into two when an nther succeeded him. In 1874. his health failed him, and he left South Africa. In Sootland he carried Going to Canada, in New Brunswick, he founded Canada, in New Brussick, a congregation in other fields. He was years, working in other felds. pre-eminently a pioneer in church work frequently pressing on to a fresh field when a good work had been establish ed. In this way his life was a succes sion of sacrifices of personal comfort. "A work on the Dutch Church in South Africa. with notices of other denomina tions," in Dutch and English, was useful the Pan.Preshyterian Council. He, with his wife, carried on church work with his wife, carried on en years, and in Canada for twenty-three years, and a lasting memorial of his abors there is the Jewish mission in Montreal, of which he was the founder. He went home to Scotland six years ago, and had never ceased to help in Jewish work ehiefly in the medieal mission to Jews in Edinburgh, with which both he and his wife were connected. He was seventy-five years of age, and leaves a wife and adopted daughter.

## NEW QUEEN'S PROFESSOR

ev. E. F. Scott is the new professor Church History in Queen's, in succes. sion to Prof John MzeNaughton, who is soing to McGill. He is a graduate of Glasgow and Oxford. and comes from the ministry of the United Presbyterian Church at Prestwick Ayrshire, Scotland.

It is a question whether a really thoughtful mind could possibly yield the homage of ite entire being to a God whom it could understand and fathom. - F. R. Havergal.

## UNOCCUPIED AFRICA

The missionary forces in Africa form sarcely more than a skirmish line around the continent. South Africa presents the only exception. There Christian civilization from forelgn lands has re-enforced the supreme efforts of the missionaries and establisined large Christian communities. It is true that up the Niger and the Congo, and inland from Mombassa, Zanzibar, and Quilimane, on the east coast, and also from the south and north, there are lines of stations, but at the most they are only pencils of light plercing the darkness of the interior regions. In round numbers, there are 1,006 principal mission sta tions in Africa, with 5,000 outstations.
Almost every station has contiguous erritory that is unoccunied. The great problem of the missions fields in Africs as elsewhere is to maintain the work already established, and at the same time to respond to the urgent needs in the Immedlate foreground. often these unoccupled fields adjacent in misslon stations expand into enormous blocks of territory in mopulous regions wholly untouched by missionary influences. In Portuguese East Africa south of Zambest River, there is an irregular territory, averacing 200 miles in width and 500 in length and acgregating 100,000 square miles, without a single missionary. North of the Zam best river and also in Portugnese tor ritory. lies another block 300 miles wide by 500 lone, and contalning 150. non square milles, with no missionary Then starting from Tete, on the Zambesl, and extending westward for with In the Congo basin, there is a stretch of nonntry 300 miler wide by 1.500 Iong. 450,000 square miles, with no misslonary. In the very heart of the continent, with Luebo, on the Kassal River of the Congo basin, Indicating a western boundary, a line beyond the 区reat lakes an eastern one crossing the center of Vletorla Nyanza a northern, and one at the southern end of Lake Tanganyika, a southern, a region 600 miles wide by 1,200 long, and conta'ning 720,000 square miles, is without a mis slonary. In the central Sudan, one of the most densely populated portions of Africa, are great states, Bornu, larger than New York; Cando, larger than Wisconsin; Kordofan, larger than Missouri; Bagirmi, a little smaller than Ohio: Kanem, larger than Kentucky; Wadal, larger than Montana; Adam awa, larger than Nevada: Darfur larger than the combined areas of Colorado, Kansas and Oklohoma with a single missionary. Taking the parallel of latitude that would touch the northern bend of the Niger as the northern 11 mit , and that which woul touch the northern bend of the Congo as the southern limit, and modifyng these boundarles at elther side of the continent so as to omit the mission stations on the West Coast and on the upper courses of the Nile, we find a territory about equal to that of the United States, and far more densely populated, without a single representative of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The hostllity of the natives, the deadliness of the climate, the opposition of the European powers, have been among the causes hindering the missionaries from entering this vast untouched territory. But not one of them can be given as a fundamental reason for the fleld's being unoccupied. The first may have deterred missionaries first may have deterred missionaries
from entering certain regions for a time, but it has never been a permanent barrier to the opening of any region. The second may prevent some men from entering some sections of Africa, but it does not prevent all men
from entering any section. The great fundamental reason for the unoccupied fields of Africa is the lack of men any money to man the field and to expand the work.

## WHITBY PRESBYTERY.

The Preshytery met at Whitby, July 21st, present Dr. Abraham and Revs. Mc Keen. Hodges, Munroe, Borland, Kerr Forster and Moore, and Messrs. McLel Forster and Moore, and Messrs, McLel-
lan. Keith. Kean. Murkar. Forgie and Taylor, elders. By a standing vote this resolution was paseed and ordered to he engrossed in the minutes: "The mem hers of Preshytery tike this ommertunity to congratulate Rev. J. A. McKeen. B.A upon the completion of twenty years ministry in the enngregation at Orons ministry in the congegegation at orona and to exntass their annteciation of the Invalty of the congreastion to their pas tor and the sunnort they have given him during all thase veare. His breth ren nsoure Rev. Mr. MeKeen that they we aratifiad to learn of the enlandid worle that has heen done for the Master in the concreghtor. They wish Mr. and Mrs. Mc naetor. Theve wish pery plensant ho Hav, and a full eniorment of their well carmed reat. and nrav tha thev mav he fone anarad to carry on the work of the Mnoter with nleasure to themselves and profit to the mneregation," A tamert Th the Preshuterv fund was enneidered. The expense can he met he a rale angrea cents ner member threm acant congre cations. Dunbarton. Port Perrv and Cloremont all seeking nastore. Meser Hodges and Borland were apnointer meeting.

## POPULARITY AT HOME

(By Christina Ross Frame.)
Do not become careless of the ameni ties of life in your family.
Do not, beoause you are so intimate with your friends, deny them the fine courtesy you would offer as a matter of course, to a stranger.
Do not leave friendship's letter unan swered until it exactly suits you to wrice
Do not neglect the thanks for kindness es received, for obligations incurred on your behalf, simply because they have come from those of your own household.
To be generally popular, is no doubt, a flattering state and most pleasing con dition of existence.
The gage of real popularity is the worth, the use, and the help that you are to those around you, your nearest and dearest by relationship, and others dear through the tie of friendship.
Keep you true and tried friends. They are of more genuine value than the most faunting examples of what the world considers, "great popularity."-Cumberland Presbyterian.

About four years ago the Assembly's Committee on Young 'People's Socleties made arrangements with the Westminster Company for the publication of Reapers in Many Fields. Five thousand coples were printed and the type was distributed. The entire edition was disposed of and the demand continued long after the work was out of print, and even yet there is an occasional enquiry for ft. Knowing this the Assembly's Committee appointed a sub-committee to consider the advisablifty of issuing a new edition. But it is difficult to determine whether there would be a sufficient demand for the work to justify the committee in taking this step. If those who desire a copy of the book would indicate their wish to the convener, the committee would be in a better position to determine whether the publication should be proceeded with or not. Kindly let us have immediately a shower of post cards. W. S. MacTavish, Kingston, Ont.

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

To heat dishes quickly put them into hot water. This is a safer and better plan than heating them in the oven.
Discoloured knife blades will become bright at once if rubbed with a cut raw potato dipped in brick-dust or other knife powder.
Charcoal is a capital disinfectant. Keep a dish of it in the larder, and the food kept there will not quickly taint. In hot weather the charcoal should be changed every ten days.
To remove the smell of paint stand a pail of water in the room for several hours. Add a handful of hay or a couple of sliced onions to the water, and the smell of the paint will be absorbed more quickly.
Lake Simooe Pudding: Line a basin closely with bread, stew one pound of red fruit, adding water if it is not very juicy and sugar to taste. Pour the boiling fruit into the basin lined with bread, covering it with more bread. Put a saucer on the fop of the basin and press with a weight. Turn out after four press with a weight.
Toronto Tartlets: Beat one egg and two ounces of caster sugar to a cream, flavour with a teaspoonful of orange flower water, and half an ounce of sweet al. monds cut up finely. Melt three ounces of fresh butter, nd whisk it into the mixture. Line eight small tins with puff pastry, then rather more than half fill with the above mixture, and bake in a steady oven.
Mayonnaise Sauce for Salads: This Mayonnaise Sauce for Salads: This
sauce is often supposed to be difficult t., make. and is seldom sttempted by the average cook. for few people know that the secret of success is to add the oll slowly. Take the yolk of an egg and the juice of a lemon, beat slowly together. Stir continuously one wav gently. and add enough oil to make your sauce of the consistency a bottle cream.
for use.

## HOT WEATHER DRINKS.

Squeeze the iuice from strawberries or raspberries and pour two cupfuls of this upon a cupful of granulated sugar. When the angar is dissolved, add the When the sugar and a quart of iced juice of a lemon and a quart of iced water. Have it very cold before serving and strew the top with a handful of the whole berries.
Iced chocolate deserves to be better known. Make it as you would any good chocolate. Stir together over the fire four tablespoonfule of grated chocolate and three tablespoonfuls of granulated sugar with three cupfuls of hot milk and sugar wiplul of hot water, and let sim. mer for fifteen minutes. Add one teaspoonful of vanilla and a pinch of salt, beat up well with a wire egg-beater, then set aside to become perfectly cold. Serve in tall glassee, and with a spoonful of vanilla ice cream or unsweetened whipped cream on top.-Woman's Home Companion.

## true beauty.

The following aneedote of a famous Freneh woman proves the truth of the old saying, "Handsome is that hand some does," A famous lady who once reigned in Paris society was so very homely that her mother said one day, "My poor child, you are too ugly for nyone ever to fall in love with you." From this time Madame de Circourt began to be very kind to the pauper childgan to be very kind to the pauper child-
ren of the village, the servants of the household. even the birds that hopped about the garden walks. She was always distressed if ehe happened to be unable to render a service. This goodwill towards everybody made her, it is said, perfectly irresistible. Her life furnishes us a valuable lesson.

A sehool-inspector in England asked a child in a primary school to tell him as nearly as possible what he understood a pilgrim to be.
"A pilgrim is a man who goes about a "A pilgrim is a man the reply.
This seemed not quite satisfactory to the inspector, and he said, "I 'go about a good deal,' but I am not a pilgrim."
"Please, sir, I mean a good man," was the eager addition.
"If your room is nar.u. that you cannot see far,
Knock a hole in the ceiling and look at a star."

Tommy-Pop, a rooster doesn't have hair, does hei
Tommy's Pop-No, my son.
Tommy-Then what good does it do him to have a combl
"I am glad George's parents always boarded," said the prospective bride. "Because why' asked her girl chum. "Because it will be impossible for him to boast of his mother's cooking," an swered the fair one of the preface.

One night a party of soldiers were telling stories of thrilling adventures, wonderful spectacles, marvellous sight-seeing experiences, etc., gathered round the camp fire in the Transvaal. An Irishman had listened with onen mouth, staring eyes, and bristling hair at the adventures, so miraculous had been some escapes of his comrades in arms. At last he thought of his sister. Clearing his throat. the Irishman said:
"No doubt. me boys, ye have see some wonderful sights, but me cister Biddy weed to squintso bad when she wanted to read a newspaper she'd to buy two, and hold one in each hand, about the length of a bayonet apart, and even then she has sometimes discovered her eyes looking into each other over the bridge of her nose."
Tor the remainder of the night there was "Peace, perfect peace."

Mrs. Smith once asked her neighbor how much she thought her baby was worth. She said:

## "A baby is a crier.

A crier is a messenger,
A messenger is one sent,
One cent is not worth two cents;
Therefore, a baby is not worth two cente."

Oueen Withelmina of Holland is one of the buslest monarchs of Europe, and never happier than when attending to sffuirs of state. Even as a child she was fond of asserting her authority. One dav she sent for a certain minister and announced that she had quarrelled with and dismissed her governess. The min ister gravely asked: "When does vour majesty wish ber to be beheaded! You majesty wish her to it is the custom in Holland to know it is the custom in Holland tio
behead all those who are officially disgraced. It will be necessary for your maiesty to be present at the execution. and-" Here the child queen abruptly left the apartment and the governess was reinstated at once.

A Ciearette's Soliloquy.-I am not much of a mathematican but I can add t. the boy's nervous tronbles. I can enhtract from his physical energy. I ean multiply his aches and pains. I can divide his mental powers. I can take interest from his work and discount his chances of suecess.

If we traversa the world it is possible to find eities without walls, without lettera. without kings, without wealth, without coin. without schools, without theatres: but a city without a temple. or that practiseth not religion is nowhere to be found.-Plutarch.

## LEGAL DON'TS FOR WIVES.

1. Don't sign or indorse a note or agree to be surety for any debt unless you are willing and can afford to pay you are willing and can afrord the from the amount yourself, Never vary from
this rule, even in the ease of your hus. band, father or your dearest woman friend.
2. Don't write your name on a blank piece of paper. Many women have done piece of paper. Many women have bitterly regretted it for the rest of their days.
3. Don't give an unlimited power of attorney to any one. If it is absolutely necessary to give one at all, be sure that it is given only for what it is needed and limit the time as much as possible.
4. Don't do anything in business matters "for politeness," which your judgment tells you you should not do.
5. In short, don't give any promise or sign any paper whatever until you are sure you know the legal effect of it on yourself and your family.
6. Don't write anything even in a friendly letter, which you would not be willing to have used in evidence in court. On the other hand, don't destroy any letter or paper which may have a bearing on a business matter.
7. Don't consent to your husband's assigning his wages. Don't make it necessary by extrazagant living.
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To this sensible advice, quoted from Good Housekeeping, we should like to add one more suggestion by way of pre-. caution: Don't fail to examine your securities, once in a while, no matter to whose hands the papers are instrusted.

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