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A Papal ambasnador is now on hls way from Rome for Montreal to make a satisfactory set'lement of the difficulties between Laval and Vletoria L'niversities.
Tur St. Louis "Presbytcrian" states that one of the largest beer breweries in that city has failed. Prominent among the causes which have brought about this result, is the fact that many saloon-keepers have been compelled by the Temperance agitation to get out of the business, and tave thus diminlshed the patronage of the brewery, besides failing to pay it for supplies hitherto furnished.

LAST week two young women, factory operatives from Corawall, hired a conveyance on artiving at the rallmay station, Montreal, and asked to be driven to a lodging housc. The driver, a man of unmitigated baseness, drove them to an improper house, from which happily they were speedily rescued. The scoundrel was promptly punished though not with the severity his offence justly deserved. A deeper depth of Infany can scarcely be imagined than is reached by those who are on the watch to decoy defenceless strangers .- the pest houses that infest our towns and citics. The pualishment meted out to those wretched panders ought to be sharp, swift, and deterrent.

IN the Church of England the antagonism between the Evangelical and High Church sections is steadily becoming more pronounced. The Rev. Newman Hall, describing a service which be conducted lately at the inauguration of a friend to the pastorate of a "Free Church of England," founded in a parish where a new rector pereised in introducing ritualistic practices and sacerdotal doctrine, says the church actually assembled in the old "Friends' meetinghouse," for some time closed because the Frends had ceased to be as a congregation, though their principles survive. Mr. Hall adds. 'Either the Church of England will be disestablished and the Evangelical sections break off from the R.tualistic, or th bids fatr to become altogether sacerdotal, so strong is the increasing tendency, in which case we shall have many of the Free Liturgical Churches."

The British Associainue for the Advancement of Science, assembled at Southpor:, passed a unanimous resoluuon in favous of hoiding as next meeung at Montreal. Last year it was decided by a majority to mect at Montreal, but there was considerable opposition which bas now disappeared, and it is gratifying to leam on the authority of a telegram from Principal Dawson, of McGill College that the British Association hzve voted unanimously to meet next year in Montreal. The American Association have fixed their meeting at Philadelphia on the 3 rd September, a week later chan the meeting of their British confrères at Montreal, that there may be an literchange of courtesies. The latter body have resolved to receive their American brethren as members at the Montreal gathering. The visit of eminent British scientists to the Domanion will be an important event in its history.
An elder of the Free Church, in Aberdeen, erected a canopy on the larn adjoining his suburban residence, where seats for 1,200 persons were provided, and a a missionary convention was held. The canopy mas found large enough for the morning session, but in the afternoon large numbers were compelled to find seats on tho larn outside, and in the evening the greater part of the lawn was covered whith an audicnce aumbering abont 5,000. Think, says the "Foreign Misclonary," of the proprietor, of some Saratoga hotel erecting such a tent on his lamn for a foreign missionary meeting, and what is, perhaps, stranger still, think of such an addience of Americans - 1,200 in the moming, a targer number ta the alternoon, and 5,000 in the evening, turning out to hear speeches or foresgn misions : Interest in missionary enterprise is growing in Canada, it is, however, capabio of andernite expansion,

As the coloured convention in Loulsville Fred. Douglas, in a speech, sald. "Now that wo are free men we must, like free men, take the reins in our own hands and compel the world to receive us as their equals. The coloused man is an oppressed and ebject race in the Uniled States. Trades unions refuse him admission; mechanics refuse him as an apprentlece. Our business is to organize for out nghts and for redress of out wrongs. We shall never cease to be a despised and excluded class so long as we are shut out from political preferment. We cannot ignore the fact that to this is to be altributed the degradation of our race. Elevate one of our class to be Vice-Presi. dent or to a position in the Cabluet, and our equanty will be established." it is understood that more coloured people in proportion to population than those of any other class are employed in the public service of the United States.

If 15 epen to suspicion that the senseless habit of carrying deadly weapons is growing and not diminishing in Canada. several of the murders recently commitied would not have occurred but for this absurd practice of carrying revolvers. A man of irritable temper, not only dlazes up in a passion, but in his excitement he is pretty sure to fire off the weapon he foolishly believes it is ter his advantage to carry about with him. The other day two urate car-drivers at St. Thomas disputed the right of way. The question was settled by the ready use of the revolver. What need is there for car-drivers carrying tire-arms? In the old coaching days when highwaymen made a pastime of robbing manls and passengers, the precaution was not unreasonable. The street car of modern civilizatuon is not exposed to highway robbery, and there is no necessity for lives being endangered by reckless car-drivers carrying revolvers.
THE cruel, irrattonal, and upjustifable way in which tuactals are conducted receives oclasionally a practical protest. George F. Barstow of San Francisco, who left an estate valued at $\$ 80,000$, gave these injunctions in bis will. "Having observed that ostentation and expensive funerais are injurious to the people, after absorbing money which poverty cannot well spare to vanity and pride, therefore, by way of example, for which I beg pardon of the undertakers, let my coffin be a plain redwood box, put together with common nails or screws, wnthout paint or varush, with plain iron handles, and all else about the funeral to correspond wuth this piannness. Let there be a cheap shroud and no flowers. What is a dead man but a handful of dast. lastead of a hearse 1 may just as nell be carried to the grave upon some ordinary vehicle in everyday use, since life is but a journey and the day of death the final rest."

The director of the Order of Jesuits, Father Becx, is advanced in years, and steps are now being laken for the appointment of his successor. The Society of jesus is duvided into five grand provinces that of Itaiy, which comprises Rome, the kingdom of Naples, sucily, and Turin, anci numbers 1,5; 3 Jesuit fathers, Cermany, embracing Austria Hungary, Belgium, Gallicia, Cermany and the Netherlands, counts 2, 875 Jesuits, France, *hich also includes the French colomies, is served by $2, y, 8$ members of the society; Spain, including Mexico, numbers 1,933 Sons of St. Ignatus, finally, the English province, which inJude the colonies and dependencies of the Bridsh Limpire, and also the Linted States, possesses $1,3 y+$ Jesuits. This makes, therefore, a total for the yeat ioj: of $14,0,8$ jesuits, prests, professors, ot tay broiters in $t \hat{i}$ y the society numbered 10,229, in 18S0, 10,494; and in 1891, 10,792.
The course of Monseignor Capel in the United Siates has not been one of andimmed splendour. The fattering receptions accorded him at watering piaces and the admination with which he was greeted when be appeared on platorms have not prevented keen critical eyes from looking thraugh this pinch. beci aposile of modern Romanism. Dr. Fulton, of the Centennial Baptist Church, Brootlyn, has delivered
a lecture on Monseignor Capel which has produced a sensation. It abounds in piain speaking, as will bo seen by the following extract : "In America we know all that is implled in the confession; it means much more than I can say In thls presence. He says, nuns say there is no paradise luke a nunnery. The testimony of women who bave fled from them as they would fleo from a burning Sodom, and the repors of committecs who havo investigated many of them will not be forgotten, no matter what Monsignor Capel may say."

The Rev. Edwin Francls Hatield, D.D., Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, died in New York on the 230d ult. Tbls esteemed minister of the Gospel had reached his seventy-seventh year. His life was laborious and devoted. As a pastor he was most successful. In every change he occupied, his was a frulfful ministry In the best sense of the expression. Many now IVing In different parts of thla continent, and boyond it, trace their first religious impressions to the faithful ministry of Dr. Hatfield. At the union of the Old and New School Churches in 1869, he was appointed stated clerk to the reorganized Assembly, a position for which he was emineatly fitted. This year he was elected Moderator of the Assembly at Saratoga, and now a useful and honoured career in the Church has been brought to a close. Dr. Hatield was 2 frequent contributor to religious papers and magazines. Alfo of industry has been crowned by a calm and happy death, and the name of Edwin F. Hatfield will long belheld in loving remembrance.

THE "Sunday School Times" makes the following apposite remarks: It is impressive to one watching the drift of the more scholarly magazines, to sea how strong the tendency is among "thinkers" of a certain class, to patronize the Almighty. If this vice were confined to those without the circle of Carietianity, it
uald not matter so much ; but every now and again one finds Christians coming to the help of the Lord against the mighty, with a self.complacency at the obligations under which they place the Lord by their defence of Him-a complacency which reminds one of Tennyson's quiet lines:
'He smoothed his chin, and sleeked his hair, And said the earth was beautiful."
When you are tempted to plume yourself on what you have done for the Lord, and to tell of it, either by word or pen, to others, kindly remember that the Lord has no need of your patronage, and that any attempt to posture as one to Fhom the Lord and his cause are indebted, is as offensive to Christisn good taste as it is baselass in sound reason.

Weekly Healith Bulletin.-The weather of the week has been, with slight exception, very uniform in character, and remarkably bright and pleasant, especially in the first part of the weels. Hence wo again take pieasure in chronicling the continued prevalence of annunquyally henlthy period in all parts of the Province. In such periods diseases of a chronic or lingering charâcter always appear comparatively prominent. Diseakes of the respiratory organs, such as Bronchitis and Influenza, retain mach of their prevalence, the former, however, showing some tendency to advance. Amongs? Fevers, Intermittent has again advanced, occupying the first position in degree of prevalence, and showing at the same time lateral expansion by appearing in six Districts, instead of five as last weel. Amongsi the six most prevalent diseases, Fever Enteric shows the same degree of prevalence as last week, and has, on the whole, been of a severe type. Amongst the contagious Zymoties (excluding Enteric Fever) there is litte wortiny of notice, excepting the continued endemicity of Whooping Cough in some localities. Scariatina has been likemise endernic in one ot tro places. Diphtieria ahowa a tendency to 2drance, especially in District KI., aarthwestern Oniario. Diseases having Diartheas as a prominent siga are still midespread in provalence, but they are showing a cutitiderable deellino in degries of prevalence,

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## "FIFTY YEARS IN THE CHURCH OF ROME."

Mr. Editor, - The aist of this month will be the fifleth anoiversary of $m y$ ordination as a priest of Rome, io the Cathedral of Quebec, by Dishop Slgnay.
When I conslder what my merciful God has done for me since that day, I have no words to say what I feet. My tongue cannot praise Him as I want. My heart cannot love Him as I wish. Oh, please allow me to ask your readers to lend me therr hearts and their tongues, to love and praise Him as He deserves.
Who wll ever tell the tears dried, the broken hearts consoled, the desolate homes filled with joy, when our merciful God, through bis most unprofitable servant, had, from 1838 to 1850 , enrolled under the banners of semperance more than 200,000 French Canadinns? That all the distilleries and brewertes except one were stopped, all the ram shops and taverns shut, and the cursed intoxlcating drinks driven away from our dear Lower Canada?
That was not my work. It was my merciful God's. He had given me a drop of the waters which flow from the fountains of eternal llie. I had presented that marvellous drop of the mercies of God to my countrymen ; they tasted it, and found it delicious. They drank it ; and, suddenly, the bidcous vices-the squalid miseries, the public scandals engendered by those waters of fire from hell, were succeeded by days of abundance, happiness, and peace ; the cries of desolation were followed by hymns of joy; to the Lord above the praise was given. For everyone felt that the blessed society of Temperance was one of the fruits of the tree of life, which our Heavenly Father gives, now and then, to the nations in the days chosen for His great mercies.
But what will I say of the marvellous change wrought in me, and in so many of my countrymen, from the year 1856 to the present day, by the spirit of light and truth, when the gift - the unspeakable giftwas presented to me, and accepted?
Rich and happy in its possession, like the Samaritan woman, I have gone to my people crying, "Come and see the one who told me all that I have done. He is the Saviour of the world-the gift of God!"
From Prince Edward Island to the shores of Lake Huron in Canada, and from New York, on the Allantic, to the Columoia River on the Pacific Ocean, it has been my priviege since to proclaum the beauty-the splendours of the gift to hundreds of thousands of my countrymen. And more than thity thousand of them ara now ralking tn the light and the joy ot an eternal salvation !
More thano that, my mercuful God has taken me by the hand to the antipodes. I have proclamed His eternal love not only in the Sandwich lalands, but in New Zealand, Tasmania, and in the marvellous land of Australia.
Now, that I bave entered into my seventy-fifth yeat, 1 hear the steps of the angel of God seat to teli me. "Come, make haste-tbe Master calls thee."
But, before ansreriog the solemn appeal, 1 have a daty to pertorm. It is to unte my feeble votce to the old prophet's, and say to the chuldren of God. "Come and hear all ye that fear God, and I will declare what He hath done for my soul."
These last ten years, at the request of mány émunent Chistinns of Europe and Amenca, 1 have witten what I have seen and heard when anside the wails of the great Babylon, who is druak muth the biood of the samints, danng the fifty years I was a slave of the Pope, and particulanly dunng the trenty-fve years 1 was 2 prisst of that modern paganism.
1 do $د 0 t$ enaggerate when I say that that book wall be the most interesting ever publoshed on the Church of Rome. For the first time the inside life of Popery is given with the exactness of photography. From the supreme art with which the muad of the young and umid child is fetered, enslaved, paraized, to the degradauon of the pricst under the sron heel of the bishop, everything is revealed to the world as it has never been. The superstitions, the rediculous and humiliating practices, the terriblo mental agonies of the priesss, the monts, and the nuns, with the blind abnegretion, the arfal self-cenial of many of them, are exposed as they never were before. The sophisms and crrors of Rome are discussed, exposed, and refuted, I dare say, with a clearness, simplicity, ànd
evidence which my twenty-five years of priesthood alone could give me. It is not in boasing that I say this. There cannot be any bansung in my having been so many yeara a priest of Rome. it is the contrary. My beart is unspeakably sad when 1 thunk that I have spent twenty-five years at the service of the idols of Rome. But, if it be a sad thing to have been so many years tued to the leet of the Pope, there is, today, tor me an advantage in that, whitb no living man, probably, does possess. It has given mo an opportunity of knowing Rome more thoroughly than any living Protestant has ever tad. Who knows If God has not left me so many jears in the dark dungcons and formidable tortresses of the Pope that I might reveal to the wortd the untold, unsuspected and awtul mysicr. ss of degradation and slavishness of popery ? The secret of the power ol kome is in the strange and universal ignorance, not only of the Roman Latholics, but of the Prolestants, abour the reallues of her impostures, dark plots, theological antu-social teachings, unmenuonable cortupuen, and of her implacable batred agants all the rights of man.

Rome is a never-ceasing conspitacy against every kind of authortit, power, and government, in order to ralse itself on their rums.

Consequently, I have thought it was a sacred duty on my part to raveal those things to the nations of America and Europe, that they may be put on their guard against the formidable dangers which threaten their very existence.

The book 1 offer to the disciples of Clirist is an arsenal as they never got, filled with the best weapons they ever had to fight and conyuer their implac. able foe-Rome. The learned and well-knovn Dr. Badenoch, of London, who has kindly reviewed my manuscript, has just written to a friend :
"I do not think there 15 a Protestant book more thrilling in :nterest and more important at the present time. It is not oniy full of incidents, but also of arguments on the side of truth with all classes of Romanmanists, from the bishop to the cure. 1 know of no work which gives so graphically the inner springs of Roman Catholic life, and, at the same time, meets the plausible objections to Protestantism found in Roman Catholic circles. I wish, with all my heart, that this work should be pubushed in Engiand."
The venerable, learned, and so well-known Dr. Kemp, for these last years principal of the young Ladies' College of Uttawa, has writen to a triend:

- Understanding that it is Kev. Mr. Chiniquys intention to ask the aid of bis friends in the countries he has visited since be is a Fiotestant to publish bis book, "Filly tears in the Church of Kome, 1 hope he will have no ditnculty in obtaining the assistance he requires.
"He tas submatted every chapter to me, and I have read it with care, and with the deepest interest, and 1 commend it to the public favour in the highest terms. "It is the oniy book 1 know that gives anything like a suli and autacatic account of the inirer working
of the papacy on this continent, and so effectiveiy unmasks ats pretences to sanctuy.
- Besides the most interestang Diographicat incidenis, it aisc contans incisive retutations of tie most plausidie assumptions and deadiy errors of the Komish Church.
" It is mell hited to amaken 5 rotestants to the insidious designs of this arch enemy of their faith and luberties, and to rouse them to a decided opposition.

It is writien in a kindiy spiti, does not indulge in denunciations, and, while speaking the truith, it does so in love. Its style is avely, and as 上ngish goont, with only a hitue davout of the autnor s natuve f ifme."

If wound be easy to give a longer ust of the kind apprectation of that book, but these two are suthuent, 1 hope. Bat this mork, which has cost me ten years of labour, wail be agrand oltavo, contanang more than 700 pages; and its prinising is too expensive or my amuted means. I must ask the help os my tuends in Canada and elsewhere, to publish ii, nol as a ioan on a gift, but as the price of the volume, which sannot be less than $\$ 5$
By sending that small sum in a post-rffire arder or a registered letter, every ode of my Chnstian brethren and sisters will soon have the book formarded to them by mail.

The book, phose title is "Eifty liears in the Church of Rome," will be sent gratis to every weekly or daily newspaper which will have the kindoess to reproduce this letter. The same thing will be done to those who will send me $\$ 40$ trom eight subscribers.


## A REPLY TO MR. PARLANE.

Mr Editor, - Mr Parlano is evideotly angry, and I am very sorry my letter should have produced such an effert upon a gentleman, who, in his right mind, is always most gentle and courteous. I leave your read. ers 10 ju'ge whether my letter overstepper the bounds of fair rriticism, and those who were impartial hearers at the bellevers' meeting will know whether my report contains elther "false statements" or "cunaing Insinuations." Mr. Parlane says my false statements were so numerous it would bo wearisome to refuto them in detail. Surely he might at least have lound better specimens that those quoted; for his altempted ie buttal of the statements he calls false only serves to establlsh their exact truthfulness.

First, as regards the parable of the sower, he says that he stated and gave as his authority, the Word of God, that only one fourth of the seed produced iruit. I say that his memory is at fault, for he emphasized the fact that only a fourth of the field was fruitful ; bu: in the name of common sense what difference does it make for his argument whether he sald the seed or the field. Surely the proportion of fruitful seed must have equalled the proportion of truitful soil and it is a ridiculous and gratuitous assumption to say that only one fourth of either the seed or the soil was fruitful. Where does be find the authority of God's Word for the statement which he admits he made. It is not in his Bible certainly, but it is probably in his notes which he evidently considers equally infallible.
Again he says that my translation of the parable of the leaven into his language is a gross perversion of what he did say. Now let us examine this matter in detail. Whll Mr. Parlane deny that ke considers leaven here means corruption? Will he deny that the meal was pure before the leaven entered it, and so must represent the Church before it became "professing Caristendom " or the saints who were at the beginaing of the Church's history called out from the world? Wall he deny that the woman means the mother of harlots? Now, if he cannot deny these statements, bow can he call my putting them together a gross perversion? Is it not the only way to test the interpretation to put it together as I did and see hovy it looks? It is not my fault if Mr. Parlane and his friends dislike the looks of their pet child when exposed in its nakedness. I do not like it either.
Xiuur readers will see that a new element is brought sno view in the roterpretation given to the three measures of meal - it is only three parts of Christerdum that is to be leavened by the morhet of harlots. Toat is an admisstor which Mt. Parlane would not Dave made had he noticed that it will not apply to the patabie of the mustard seed, and that it is also fatal to tue whole theory of premillenarian interpretation. isur readers aril notice that Mt. Farlane evades the discussion of that part of my letter referring to the meaniog of the term "king jom of heaven" by the transparent statement that he finds it difficult to understand my meaning. I venture to say that, if he will read and stady over the leater a little longer, he will nu: oniy understand what I said, but see the uttes unienatieness of his inicrpretation. Is he aware I wouder that the expression "the kiogdom in mysters" is not surptural but a phrase coined by the Plymouthasts to meet the exigencies of their case? The " mystenes of the kiogdom" is the term used in Math. xili., and the meaning of the word mystery there is plainly "the unfulding of what had long been promised, but kept hidden." The othet term is unscriptural and anauodal, and I would like very much to have from sume of these friends who profess special enlighten ment a leat definition of what they mean by it and un what sctaptures they base their viens I know Mr. Faslane does not see it, bat of course I cannot blame him fut his ignorance, but sotac day he prill see, probably, as many others who began at his present standpoint, that the logical result of bis interpretation of the parables of the kingdom is the Plymouthistic cry, "come out and be separate."
Mi. Tarlane goes on to say that I am profoundly ignorant of dispensational truth, but he does not biame me for that because "we were all equally ignorant until divine grace enlightened our understanding." I whil translate here again . being "profoundly ignorant" means refusing to agree with Mr. Parlane, and being "enlightened" means renouncing the simple and plain teaching of God's Word for the foolish theories of 2 few who assume infallibility and expose themselves to just ridicule by their crude and contradictory statements,

But, seriously, I ask if it is wise for us to take presumption and arrogance as signs of enlightenment? Would it not be better for a man to be profoundly ignorant than to be' puffed up with a false knowledge-to be humbly seeking light rather than walking by the light of sparks of his own kindling? I do not wish to return railing for railing, but I ask with all earnestness is it charitable or Christ-like to say of a presbyter, whom I suppose only to be known by his letter, that as yet his understanding is not enlightened by divine grace. But now I come to my " cunning insinuation" that Mr. Parlane expressed very decided opinions about the character of ministers of the Gospel. All I need say is that Mr. Parlane does not deny using the illustrations I referred to in my letter ; and, as I then informed him, either these illustrations were meant to show that a large number of ministers were both ignorant and unfaithful, or they were utterly meaningless as helping his interpretation of the parable of the mustard seed. If the beginning of Mr. Parlane's letter displays bitter feeling, what shall be said about the ending of it. Will he find a single sentence in my letter which he characterizes with such emphasis which will compare with the violent denunciations poured upon me as a falsifier untruthful and unreliable. I am glad to know Mr. Parlane will not write again, for it would appear that his forte is not calm reasoning on points upon which good men differ, but authoritative declaiming where no questions can be asked and where no thoughtful Christian men are likely to put in an appearance ; and I am specially glad in the interests of our common faith, as such exhibitions of temper are delighted in and gloated over by the enemy. By the way there seems to be some peculiarity in the views held by the believers who attended that conference, which makes them particularly sensitive to opposition, so that venturing to differ from them is to incur a very serious responsibility.
I will leave Mr. Parlane alone after this, and I will turn my attention to others who have presented the same views in greater detail and with greater power, and whose views are with us in books while the men themselves are dead, and so will not be able to turn round and call you a liar when you venture to differ
from them. from them.

Presbyter.

## ABYURATION OF A PRIEJT OF ROME.

## To Cardinal McClosky :

- SIR,-As you are the representative of the Pope on this continent, I must address you the present document.
I was born in Ireland of Roman Catholic parents, and ordained priest in October 1868 by Dr. Keane, who was then Bishop of Cloyne in the county of Cork; but it has pleased God to open my eyes to the errors of your Church and to give me the grace of, for ever, breaking her heavy and ignominious yoke to follow the Gospel.
These are some of the reasons of that solemn action:
Ist. Your dogma of an unbroken link of successors
between Peter and the present Pope is an imposture. You know it well ; such a link has never existed.
2nd. You have not a single Gospel proof that Peter has ever been to Rome, and you cannot even show that he had any supremacy over the other apostles without perverting the words of Christ in a most blasphemous way.
3 rd. You and I, with all the priests of Rome, made a public false oath when we swore that we would never interpret the Scriptures but according to the unanimous consent of the holy fathers. You know very well that unanimous consent in favour of the Supremacy, Infallibility of the Pope, Transubstantiation, Auricular Confession, etc., etc., is an imposture.
4th. The Church of Rome made a blasphemer of you and of me and of every other priest, every time in the Breviarium : Accipe quod oferrimus, redona quod rogamus, excusa quod timemus, quia tu es spes unica peccatorum:-" Receive what we offer, grant What we ask, excuse what we fear, for thou art the only hope of sinners." (Lesson VI : Sept. IX.) It is our Saviour Jesus Christ and not Mary who is the Only Hope of sinners.
5th. The Church of Rome ceased to be a branch of the Church of Christ the very day she taught her priests to make a God of a contemptible wafer.
These among many other errors of Rome have more or less troubled my conscience from the day of my ordination to the priesthood, but they have become evident since I came to study and meditate on the

Word of God in the Converted Priests' Home which Pastor Chiniquy has raised in this beautiful solitude of Saint Anne.
May God grant that you and all the deluded priests of Rome may follow my example by giving up the traditions of men to receive the Gospel of Christ.

Yours truly, Stephen Donnell.

## NOTES FROM MANITOW ANING.

Mr. Ediror,-The Presbytery of Bruce having deputed four of its number to visit the islands and north shore included in the Algoma district, one of these sends a few jottings of the field allotted to him. The month was September ; the people in the midst of harvest. Three steamers a week call here on their way to and from the Sault Ste. Marie. Many of the settlers now find themselves in a position of growing comfort and independence. Still our cause does not prosper as it should, mainly for want of continued working. For nine months there was no Presbyterian missionary here, and not one on the island all last winter. There are two resident clergymen-of the Episcopal and Methodist churches respectively. So far as mere numbers are concerned, our cause is as hopeful as any other; and it is greatly desired that we get a better hold of this field. The Rev. H. McKay did good service on the island; and he, or one who could so adapt himself to the circumstances, would be a blessing to the people. Some of the disciples of Paine and Ingersoll are here and busy sowing their baneful seed. It is to be feared that some of the young men have not escaped the fowler's snare. A fair attendance is given our Sabbath school ; still there is material for large increase. Not a few of the people keep themthemselves aloof from any of the churches, as it were, waiting to see what would turn up. It of course involves some self-denial to be so cut off during winter from the outside world, but all the more need by the people for the Gospel Shepherd to lead and keep them in the fold.
These fugitive visits to neglected parts, however earnestly planned and faithfully carried out, are like to
the tilling and sowing without the the tilling and sowing without the after gain in reaping and garnering the precious grain. D. DUFF.
Manztowaning, 15th September, 1883.

## SUPPLEMENTAL DIFFICULTIES.

Mr Editor,-The meeting of the Home Mission Committee is approaching. The question of the further augmentation of stipends will come up for discussion. No doubt many fresh applications will be made for supplement. The writer conceives of a new difficulty with which the committee will have to con-tend-viz : the qualification of applicants. Formerly the sum necessary to qualify for aid was at the rate of $\$ 450$ per member and $\$ 7$ per family. Now it is $\$ 450$ per member and $\$ 4.50$ per family in such cases as the number of members is less than the number of families. This is quite a change about the propriety of which there will be a difference oi opinion.
Here will be another difficulty. Suppose a congregation make application for a grant whose contributions do not quite come up to $\$ 450$ per member, but exceed -not $\$ 7$ per family merely, but-\$io per family, what will the committee do? By the new regulations apparently they ara not to have respect to the number of families at all, unless these exceed the number of members. This, then, is the question : "Will a congregation giving $\$ 10$ per family, though not quite $\$ 450$ per member, and falling short of $\$ 600$ and manse, be entitled to aid?" If not, why not? It is replied, the regulations do not provide for such a case. If so it is a grave omission, and the denial of aid in such circumstances will be a great injustice.
The average of membership over the Church is less than two per family but here is a minister with a small congregation of forty or fifty families, whose membership, owing to faithfulness among the young, is 25 per cent. over the average, and whose success has disqualified him for an increase of salary. It will be a sad thing for the Church to inflict a penalty upon the man who seeks the conversion of childhood and
youth. youth.

## OBITUARY.

Mr. Alex. Murray who has been for the last seven years an elder and session clerk of Central Presbyterian Church, Toronto, passed away peacefully on Saturday, 22nd ult., after a lingering but not painful illness, having reached the ripe age of seventy-three years. Mr.
Murray was for twenty-five years an elder in Cam-
bridge Street United Presbyterian Church, Glasgow,
Scotland, under the pastorate of the late Scotland, under the pastorate of the late Rev. Dr. Eadie, and his successor, the Rev. J. Fleming. During fifteen years of that period Mr. Murray held the office of session clerk, and upon his leaving Glasgow to emigrate with his family to Canada, received a written address from the session of Cambridge Street Church expressing their high esteem for him and their recog. nition of the valuable services he had rendered that church as superintendent of the Sabbath school and as an indefatigable worker in other departments of church work. Mr. Murray resided for a short time in Dundas after his arrival in Canada, but soon removed to Toronto, and from the opening of Central Church identified himself with its interests. His gifts were soon recognized by his fellow members, and he was elected an elder and appointed clerk of session. Mr. Murray was a man of marked ability and great originality, and more familiar with the Work of God than any man the writer of this notice ever met. He was extremely liberal to what he considered non-essentials, but uncompromisingly faithful in testifying for the truth and in maintaining Presbyterian discipline and polity. He held his views with the tenacity characteristic of his nationality, and was ever ready to give a reason for the faith that was in him. This characteristic sometimes led, when others were met with of a like disposition, to warm discussions, but when the battle was over no trace of ill feeling remained, and it was often noticed by friends that there was a determined purpose on Mr. Murray's part never to let the sun go down upon his wrath, however, justifiable he considered his warmth to be. All who have heard Mr. Murray's expositions of Scripture, and joined with him in social prayer, or received the benefit of his quarterly visits as an elder, will treasure his memory while they live, and his brethren in the session will feel their loss most keenly of one who had special claims to the title of faithful servant. His widow and four sons, the eldest of whom is also an elder of Central Church, have the warm sympathy of a large circle of friends, both in the Church and out of it.

## The following has been forwarded for publication by equest:

 request :Mrs. Alex. Mitchell: Dear Madam,-The members of Knox Church session, at this their first meeting held since the death of their highly esteemed and deeply lamented session clerk, the late Alexander Mitchell, who departed this life at his late residence, No. 70 Wellington st. north, on the 7 th August, 1883 , desire to place on record their feelings of heartfelt and sincere sympathy with the widow and family of our late brother elder in this the hour of their sad bereavement with which our Heavenly Father, in his wisdom, has seen fit to afflict them, by which you, dear madam, have been deprived of a faithful, loving, and affectionate husband of nearly threescore years, your children of a kind and indulgent parent, and we of an honest, upright, and conscientious friend and counsellor, who was always foremost in any and every good work for the advancement of the interest of the church with which for so many years he was connected, having been an elder of the Church since the Ioth of December, 1854 ; and a member of this congregation since the roth of October, 1867; and an elder of the same since the 31st October, 1877; and session clerk since the 2nd December, 1879; he also held the office of trustee for years, all of which offices he filled in a most painstaking, correct, and careful manner ; and we desire to express to you and to your dear family how much he was beloved by every member of the session with whom from month to month he was wont to meet, and what pleasure it was to have his kindly counsel at all our meetings, and the members of Knox Church session desire to say that they will be ever ready to extend to you a helping hand (should you require it), and kindly advice or counsel, it may be in their power to give.

We now prayerfully commend you and your dear family to the holy keeping of Him who has promised to be the husband of the widow and the father of the fatherless-Him who has promised that He will never leave nor forsake those who truly seek His face; this we know from experience has been your stay and support thus far; and may He be still your guide and support through lite, even unto death, is the sincere wish of every member of the session.
Signed on behalf of the session,
John James, D.D.,
David McLellan,
Moderator.
Hamilton, $4^{\text {th }}$, iept., I883.

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## LIGHT AT BVENTIDE.

Round us in the stilloess greading, Counes the night.
Mortal ears can't hear the treadiog Of her footateps, wolt and light.

Dusky rell that shades the ralleys, Brioging rest:
Shadowy glooms in greenwood alleys.
Twilight dreamioge, sweet and blest.
All the day-lime cares are euded, And instead,
Now by unseca bands altended,
Far, in fancy, we are led.
Misty forms of mytic seeming
Memory's mear iad tapers gieaming Light old scenes and make them dear -

Norn's vain hopes, and noon's stern sorrows, Tears and cares;
Days of toilling, and to-morrow's
Bringing less of wheat than tares.
And the chequered, varied pages Of life's book
Secm a sea whose calms and rages
Now the tired heart cannot brook.
Evening calm $\mid$ ah, best and purest Time of peace:
Soothing balm, when Hope is surest,
To bid all rain doubting cease.
Pointing on, whec near and pleasant, Rest awaits;
When we leare this weary present And have gained the pearly gates.

And as evening shadorrs, creeping, Gather round
Dim eyes, worn 30 weak with weeping,

In the hope so full of cheering
And delight-
Home, sweet home ! our rest we're nearing. Evening time shall bring us light.

Sight of heaven! Earth's gloom adorning
With thy smale,
Earaest of the etermal morning
After this br
M, N. $F$ F. $T$.
M. A. Nicholl.

## "I HAVE SEEN FESUS."

Such was the reply of a poor, half.witted young man, of whom the late Dr. Bushnell tells us, when he was asked as to a monderful change in his life and conduct. He was generally lonked upon as almost, if not quite an idiot. And in addition to his natural disadrantages he was deep in the vices of drunkenness and profaneness, and so weals in intellect and so steeped in immorality that no one seemed to think of him as a subject for moral effort or of possible reformation.
In a season of religious awakening, however, this weak and wretched creature came with others to the meeting for inquiry, to ask as to the way of salvation. The light-minded and thoughtless looked upon his coming as a matter of mirth and ridicule, while even Christians regarded him with pity rather than bope. And yet from that hour, as Dr. Bushnell tells us, be was entirely changed, and evidently became a nerf creature ; and on through the succeeding years of his life ke was senous and taithful as a consistent follower of the Saviour. All his vicious habits mere given up ; he never yielded to them for a moment. He became an example of consistency and constancy to all who knew him. He wore out more than one Bible by constant and faithful use. He was faithful to the means of grace, and saveci of his little earnings that he might give to the objects of benevolence. His life was evidently a new and a truly Christian ife.
When he was asked by friends to explain the wonderinl change which they all witoessed, and how it ras that he was able to give up his profaneness and drunkenaess, and to live so entirely in a different way from that in which ie had formerly lived, his uniform and childike reply mas, "Wky, I have seers Gestrs /" This was his noly explanation, and it was given rith all the simplicity of a litule child, and yet with a tone and manner expressive of surprise that all should not at once see and feel that "seeing Jesus" more than explained it all. He was weak in intellect. He could not reason about the atonement, or understand the deep mysterics of the Godhead. Abandoned as he
had been to vice, he was not won from it by the power of argument or the earnestness of pathetic and touchlng appeal. He was not led to the cross by the urgent kinduess of Christlan iniends, for no one seemed to have thought of him as within the scope of persenal religious influence. But, as he said, "He has secm Gesus," and that gave him not only peace, but power -power so to llve and walk, and finally so to die, as to be seen and acknowledged by all to be an humble follower and faithful witness for Christ, and to be as sured of beholding at last the Saviour's glory, and having a place with bim in the heavenly world.

How wonderful the power, how transforming the influence of an experimental sight of Jesus 1 How Important that we ever look to Him as an able and willing and loving Saviour, waiting to save to the uttermost all that will look unto Him. How diligently and prayerfully should we seek Him in His Word, and draw near Him in the closet, and watch for Him in His providence, and endeavour in all things so to live tha with Paul we may be able to say, "For me to live is Christ !" Not only in the heavenly worid, but here also on carth, "we shall be like Him" In proportion as, by faith, "we see Him as He is,"
T. E. -Philadeldita Prcsbytery.

## TOBACCO AND THE VOICE.

While tobacco is now well known to injure the system in every possible way, and to an extent not generally appreciated, ihe voice is affected more than may be supposed. It may not be of much useto warn the enslaved victim of tobacco to give it up, having, as a general principle, lost much decision of character by its degraciog influences, but it may be well to warn the young who may be willing to receive advice from older persons. The effect on the volce may bea little more apparent than upon certain other organs. On this point there is the best medical authority in decided condemnation. Dr. Allen says: "Tobacco injures the voice, of which anyone can be convinced by observing the barsh, thick, husky mumbling, and insonorous voice of the confirmed tobacco user." Prof. Mussy says : "The babitual use of tobacco in any of its forms produces a harsh, squeaking condition of the voice." Dr. Woodward, well known in connection with the Massachusetts Lunatic Asylum, is even more direct in his opposition to the use of the poison, declaring that " nearly every case of bronchitis and loss of voice is either directly caused or aggravated by the habitual use of tobacco." The testimony of such men of great attainmants in medical sclencemen of experience and observation, is entilled to con sideration.-Golden Rule.

## HE KEPT THE SABBATH.

An incident is mentioned in Mr. Hamilton's " Memoir of Lady Calquhoun," which is highly credit able 10 Sir George Sinclair, and may be appropriately quoted now that so much is said on the Sabbath ques tuon. Sir George, being then at Brighton, nas invited to dine with His Majesty, King William IV., on January 15, 1835, being the Sabbath day. He returned the following manly and characteristic reply:

Sire, - No one can value more highly than I do the honour and privilege of being at any time permitted to enjoy that social intercourse with which your Majesty has, on so many occasions, been pleased to indulge me for so many years. But I am fully aware with bow much consideration your majesty enters into the feelings and sympathies and wishes of those whom you honour mith your friendship I have for some ume past been led to entertain very different notions from those 1 once cherished as to the observance of this day, and subscribe fully to the views which the Church, and, I may add the Legislature, have lad down with respect to its importance. Encouraged by the latisiade of discussion which your Majesty has so long and so kincly vouchsafed, 1 lately rook the liberty, though in opposition to your Majesty's opinoo, to maintain that not merely a part but the whole of this day should be devoted to those freat purposes for which divine authority bas set it apart. I may be permitted to add from grateful experience, that this dectsion has its remard even here. I have found that God honours those who honour Him ; and, though encompassed with sin and infirmity, I can testify that He is not an austere Master, and that He has strength for all our weaknesses, indemnity for all our sacrifices, and consolition for all our troubles. I feel bound, by priaciples of conscience, to deny mysell what is always one of my most valued gratifications, that of paying my most humble and most affec-
tionate respects thls day ; and must rest atisfied with renawing in my milirement those earnest supplications for your Majesty's bealth and bapplaess which are equally dictated by regard for the public welfare, and by a thankfully cherished remembrance of much dis. tloguished and unmerited kindness."

Mr. Hamilton adds: "The sequel was no less worthy of the King. Next morning whllo they were seated round the breaklast table, a royal messenger arrived with an invitation to the Pavilion that evening. His Majesty made no allusion to the letter; but, to show how perfectly he appreciated the motives of his guest, he went boyond even hls usual urbanity and kindness, and to the close of his reign no interrupilon occurred In a friendship equally honourable to the accomplished commoner, and to the frank and warmhearted monarch."

## GOOD COSPPANY

One evening a lady of New York, while on her way bome at a late hour without an escort, was approached by a lewd fellow, as tho buat on which they rode neared the landing, who asked :
"Ase you alone?" "No, sir," whe the reply; and, without further interruption, when the boat touched she jumped off. "I thought you were alone," sald the fellow, stepping to her side again. "I am not," replied the lady. "Why, I don't see anyone; who is with you ?" "God Almighty and the angels sir; Iam never alone ${ }^{\prime \prime}$

This antrw pierced the villain's beart, and with these parting words, "You keep too good company for me, madam," he shot out of sight, leaving the heroic lady to enjoy her good company.

## EATJNG AND DRINKING UNWORTHILY.

See I Cor. xi, 27. We are accustomed to say that the apostle's teacbias on this subject gives great trouble to those wiso are timid and of tender conscience. We shot id better say: Our own mrong reading, or wrong interpretation, brings us into trouble. Let one who bas feared condemnation because of his personal unworthiness, read the aposte's words again. Does he say anything on this head of personal unzuortininess? It were useless to do so. The best saint who ever lived never had any personal worthiness. Not one of us can ever be worthy enough, in our own merits.

> • I, mysell, amm nothing at all, But Jesus Christ is all in all.,

Other foundation can no man lay. Here oaily can we sest. But the reader will notice that the word used is the adverb, "unoorthily," not the adjectiz", "unworthy." The apostle was speaking to persons, not of them, and was showing that these persons had celebrated the Lord's Supper in a wrong marner, a manner so wrong that the whole ordinance was per verted or los! in their action. Verse 20 says:-" When ye come together, this is not to eat the Lord's Supper." The margia says :- "ye cannot eat." The new version says:-"When, therefore, ye assemble yourselves together, it is not possible to eat the Lord's Supper ; fo: (verse 21) in your eating each one taketh before other his own supper, and one is hungry, and another is druken." Now then in the manner of gartaktng the apostle sars the fault. He was talking of the cinarge which the Corinthians had made. They turned "the Supper" into a full feast. Yet this was not all. Each (verse 21) brought and ate his own pro wistors. Thus tie idea of "communion" was lost. Again some had notaing, and remained "hungry"; others ate and drank to access, so that some were "dsunken." There was the eating and drineing unworthily." It is not a question (raised here) as to how I feel, but as to what I do. So then, my troubled, timid friend, ask yourself a fer questions:-Do those lines-
"I myself, am nothing at all;
But Jesus Christ is all in all"-
describe your feelings and taith? If so you are wel. come to the Lord's Supper. Come, "looking to Iesus." Let this, and all parts of Christian life be made up of "looking to Jesus." This is safe! But now-"In :hinking of the Lord's Supper, how do I regardit? Is at to satusfy my bodily hareger $\boldsymbol{q}^{\prime \prime}$ If you go for that purpose sou vill eat and drink unworthily. "Do I intenc any change in the kind or quantity of elements? Do I mean to make it a great feast, in stead of a simple memornal?" If so you will eat and drink unworthily. Go to this sacrament "looking to Jesus." Partake of it according to His institution of it-in remembrance of Him; and you will yot "ea and drint unworthily."-Cerrtral Presbycerias.

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TORONTO, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER $3,1883$.
The Rev. R. Monteath, clerk of Presbytery, requests us to state that the Presbytery of Toronto will be glad to see any members of the Foreign Mission Committee present at the ordination and designation of Mr . Builder on Friday first, at St. James' Square Church.

ONE hears some strange logic occasionally in deliberative bodies when speakers are in the heat of debate and have not time to weigh their arguments. A member of Conference, when contending the other day against the extension of the three years' term to four years, argued in this way: "If a man should be stationed four years, why not five ; and if five, why not twelve?" It did not occur to the good brother that anyone might answer "If for three years, why not for four?"

The attention of the ministers of the Church is called to the following resolution of the General Assembly: That a pastoral letter on the subject of family religion and of the congregational prayer-meeting be issued by the Moderator of this Assembly, to be read by all ministers and missionaries to their congregations upon the first Sabbath of October, or such time as may be deemed most suitable. In accordance with this instruction, a letter has been prepared by the Rev. Dr. King and a copy addressed to the ministers and missionaries of the Church. It will no doubt be read to many of the congregations, if not to all, on Sabbath first.

Within the next few days two more labourers will be sent by our Church to the foreign field. The Toronto Presbytery will ordain Mr. Builder and designate hiln to the work in India on Friday evening, of this week. On the 17th inst. Mr. Jamieson will he set apart for the work in Formosa by the Presbytery of Barrie. We bespeak for these young missidengries the earnest prayers of God's people. They leavie home and country and kindred and friends to do the Master's work in India and China. We do not ask for them the sympathy of anybody. We are quite sure that they do not consider themselves objects of sympathy. No man is an object of sympathy who carries a commission from the Church and from the King. Fancy a man offering George Leslie McKay sympathy. What Mr. Builder and Mr. Jamieson have a right to expect is the earnest, persevering prayer, active co-operation, and liberal support of the Church that commissions them. By the very act of sending them we pledge nurselves to pray for their success, to co-operate with them, and give them all reasonable material support. That this will be done we feel quite certain. The Lord has been waking up our people in regard to foreign mission work. The papn and the money are coming. May all that we have yet done be but a drop before the shower.

Wr quite agree with Dr. Carman, Dr. Rice, and other members of Conference in thinking that it was a very unwise thing to strike the word "obey" out of the marriage ritual used in the Methodist Church. The present is a very unsuitable time to make changes that have even the appearance of lessening the sanctity of the marriage tie. If the word "obey" or its equivalent is in the New Testament, why strike it out of the ritual? It is quite true that all the duties $x$ hat arise out of the marriage relation cannot be put in the ritual, but this word was in already. What good purpose was served by expunging it? We have no sym-
pathy with the theory that the majority struck out the word in order to make the marriage ceremony performed by Methodist ministers more popular than the ceremony performed by ministers who use the scriptural term expunged. Popularity gained in that way would be no gain in the end. No good woman objects to scriptural terms in the marriage vow. There is nothing in the argument used by some members of Conference to the effect that some husbands shculd not be obeyed. A man that cannot be married in scriptural terms should not be married at all. The time to consider his character is when he proposes, not when the knot is being tied. In common with many others, we cannot help thinking that the Conference did an unwise thing when it took this new departure. So thought such safe men as Drs. Rice and Carman.

MANY an ill-deserved sneer has been indulged in at the expense of the good Old Country people who abhor the "paper minister." E periepce may yet show that the old people are righ a a they often are. Many quite modern and fashionable eoplef now denounce the use of the manuscript in 㧧st as vigorous terms as were ever used by a covenanter. Di. Hoge of Rich mond, one of the most eminent ministers of the South, declared at a ministers' meeting at Saratoga the other day-a meeting composed of representative preachers from all parts of the continent-that "the manuscript is the bane of the American pulpit." The "Christian-at-Work"-a journal of liberal and advanced opinions but thoroughly sound on the "funda-mentals"-says :
We believe the preacher of the future will never rustle the leaves of his sermonic manuscript in the pulpit, or read off from the written page his invitation to sinners to forsake their sins and become reconciled to God. And we believe this will be accomplished not only by writing the sermon and then committing it-which is simply burning the candle at both ends-but by a return to the practice of the times when written sermons were unknown. This method involves one's saturating himself with his subject-clothing a thought here and there in particular form if he please-and then delivering his sermon after the fashion of the great orators and speakers. Webster pronounced spontaniety to be one of
the chief characteristics of true eloqual the chief characteristics of true eloquence !
We don't know what the "preacher of the future" may do, but the preacher of the present "who saturates himself with his subject" and speaks with "spontaniety" can always get a good church to preach in if the subject he saturates himself with is a good one. Reading from a manuscript is not a good was to preach for most men ; reading from memory is not much better. Speaking with "spontaniety," whether natural or cultivated, soon tells, whatever Daniel Webster may have said about it.
FAMILY RELIGXXN.

$B^{\text { }}$Y instruction of the GeneralAssembly the Moderator, the Rev. Dr. King, has ispued an address bearing on the important subject of Family Religion. The divine appointment and the perpetuity of the family relationship is given as the first reason why the father of a family should still maintain the practice of the patriarchal age and be a priest in the home, to offer the sacrifice of praise, instruct his household by reading the Scripture, and to pray for blessing from the God of the one family named in heaven andearth. The influence of religion in the sacred home-circle is beneficial in the highest degree ; its neglect is to oten attended with the saddest results.
The argument for the maint diance of family worship is enforced by a reference to the examples recorded in Scripture. In Old and New Testament times there are impressive instances of domestic devotion that speak eloquently to the people of this bustling age. Then various reasons are stated why this primary religious duty ought to be observed. The final reason adduced is that prayer, private, domestic, and public is "the direct, divinely-appointed means of procuring temporal and spiritual blessing." An earnest practical exhortation follows urging the observance of this essential part of vital religion.
By general consent all who profess to receive the Bible as the rule of life admit that family worship is a right and proper thing. There may be differences of opinion on some questions of practical duty, but in reference to family religion there is unanimity of conviction that it is binding on all who profess belief in Christianity. If there is neglect of this duty it is not because there are latent doubts either of its propriety or disbelief of the good derived from its exercise. In common with all other denominations the Presbyterian

Church has given an important place in its teaching and practice to home piety. In Scottish homes it was for the most part a noted characteristic. It was felt to be an immediate blessing in itself, and gave an additional sacredness to mìny even of the humblest dwellings. The recollections of family worship in the peasant home of the great Scottish poet, though it did not subdue the wilder impulses of a passionate nature, inspired one of théfinest poems he ever wrote. Like one of the Roman poets, he approved what was best while he too often pursued courses condemned by reason and conscience. The "Cotter's Saturday Night" remains a life-like transcript of the reverent and beautiful piety that found a resting-place in many a cottage home. It appeals alike to the imagination and the heart.

Times have changed since the Ayrshire bard drew his picture of pious pastoral life; but religion has in $n 0$ way lost its power. Dr. King well illustrates the fact that the family in its integrity has survived the changes that have shaken to their foundations all human institutions. The same power that has been a means of elevation in the past is unchanged in its hallowing influence. The need is as great as it has ever been. Some may not unreasonably suppose that its need is greatel now than in times gone by. In this feverish and bustling age-when competition and social disparity are helping to disintegrate the community of feeling that ought to prevail-what instrumentality so effective for the check of inordinate ambition, the cultivation of a tender conscience, and bringing the unseen near than the calming and purifying in fluence of the worship of God at the family alter. If family religion is neglected personal religion is sure to suffer. It is a serious thing to be he in that state where the prophetic remonstance could apply-"Thou restrainest prayer before God."

It is sincerely hoped that the Moderator's address will be read with the earnestness and attention that the subject demands. The truths it contains are worthy of serious reflection. It is also hoped that in cases where family worship has been neglected the advice affectionately tendered will henceforth be followed. Much outward prosperity has blessed the Church during recent years. We are in danger of forgetting that it is in the growth and extension of vital Christianity that true prosperity consists. Family religion is one of the most effective means for its promotion. Let the flame of domestic piety burn brightly and much of the imperfection and many of the evils that mar the splendour of the Church's life will speedly disappear. From the family as a centre the influence of religion will extend manifold blessings to the national life and it will in days to come be true of this Canada of ours on a far grander.scale than in the land that inspired the song of the poet:

From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur springs
That makes her loved at home, revered abroad.

## WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE

 MURDERER?WHAT is the best method of punishing the crime of murder is a question that is frequently discussed. It is one of great importance to society. Of late years it has been considered from almost every point of view. The philosopher, the law reformer, and the statesman have given earnest consideration to the problem. Judges whose wide acquaintance with the criminal class, and extensive legal knowledge enable them to form comprehensive opinions, have arrived at widely different conclusions as to what, in the interest of society, would be the best mode of punishment for the murderer. Philahthropists who are influencel mainly by sentimentaifconsiderations generally favour the abolition of the death penalty. However plau' sible the theories propounded, their value and correct ${ }^{-}$ ness can only be tested by experience.

The protection of human life is one of the chied objects why law exists. The mode of punishment is best that is most effective in securing this object. be the same time the law is not and ought never to be vindictive. Its aim is not to wreak vengeance on the criminal though he may have been guilty of deeds o great atrocity. The humane spirit of modern juris prudence recognizes that a just penalty does not re quire to be inflicted with ferocity. The calm majesty of the law, tempered with mercy, is far more impressive when it dooms the guilty to suffer the punishment merited by his offence. Many excellent people have a repugnance to the infliction of the
pnalty for any offence. Hence In sereral of the United States and in Swizeriand imprisonment for life has been substituted. The opioion is universally entertained that the alm.- . indiscriminate infliction of capital punishment with which so many crimes were visited in European States a century ago was repug. anat io the principles of justice and shocking to the better feelliggs of humanity. The sternest moralist and the most Iron-hearted upholders of law and order would never dream of extending to other criminal acts what many still think the most appropriaie penalty for murder.
The criminal convicted of marder is,from that moment regarded as dead socially. Those gullty of other crimes havo a future lo which hope can still whisper some encouragement. Possibilities of better thlags are not excluded, but the unhappy being whom the Law brands with the mark of Cain, henceforth, 50 far as this lifo is concerned, enters on a dark and gioomy existence. On its portal are enscribed the ominous and chilling words of the immortal Florentine.
"Abandon hope all ye who enter here."
For whether that earthly career is soon to be cus short by the public executioner, or the term of life cxtended through long years of gloom in a dreary cell, no one is bold enough to propose that the wiltul murderer should be again let loose upon society.
The substitution of life Imprisonment for the death penalty has vindicated nether iss wisdom not uts humanity. In those countries or states where capital punishment has been abolished there has been no diminution of the crime of murder, and the proverbial pleader has not yet been found even in Philadelphis who would venture to argue that unprisonment for life ls a more humane punishment than the sharp and speedy infiction of the death penalis.
At the recent meeting of the American Social Science Associntion, held at Saratoga, Professor Wayland read a paper on capital punishment. The professor is strongly upposed to its continuance, and states his case with his accustomed ability and clearness. While many may dissent from the conclusions to which he comes, most people who have given a thoughtful consideration to the question will heartily agree Fith many of the opinions advanced in his address. The facts adduced at anyrate are significant. There is no denying that the crime of murder is of no less frequent occurence despite the great advancement of our modern civilization. The dark shadow of crime stalks steadily onward despite our progress in other respects. The sacredness of human life is not yet universally recognized. The Nihilist the Communist, and the Invincible avow their belief in the necessity of political assassination. In the largest cities of this contineat where the criminal classes congregate buman life is held very cheap.
Professor Wayland shows conclusively that the un. certainty of punishment for the crime of murder is an incentive to lts frequent cemmission. A criminal who can command intuence and money may calculate that he will escape the scaffold. He may be sentenced to a term of imprisonment, and after the popularinterest has subsided the clemency of the executive will be invoiked and the murderer walks out free amons his fellow-men. The man who shot James Fisk in a New York hotel, belonged to an influential and wealthy tamily. After repeated trials he underwent a four years term of imprisonment in Sing Sing and now he is the keeper of a gilded drinking saloon in
the city where his crime was committed. $A$ jury is almost always reluctant to convict a person accused of murder, and in many cases where the evidences of guit are conclusive the culprit hears the welcome words of manumission "not guilty." In cases where the penalty is imprisonment for life, it is rarely carned out. In the State of Connectucut between 1850 and 1860 fifiy six criminals were sentenced to imprisonment for life. In less than ten years thirty-four of them obtained pardon. No wonder that the crime of murder flourishes. No wonder that reckless people set no value on human life. In the punishment of the murderer by death, justice and mercy are not so far apart as some theorists suppose. One thing at all events is plan that society hav:ong a regard to dis own vell-being cannot afford to let sc large a proportion of murderers escape as from vartous causes thay do now with impunity.
The subject of Frofessor McLaren's lecture at the opening of Knox College to-day will be "Calvinism and its rclations to other Theistic systems."

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St. Niculalas. (New York: The Century Ca; The October number, containing the usual variet $y$ of excellent reading in prose and peetry, handsome'y il. lustrated with the best style of engravings, competes another volume of this unlversal favourite with ! oung readers.
Harper's Yuinc Fulks. (New lork. Harper and Brothers.) A weckly mapasine most admirably adapted, by its uniformly excellent and varied readingmatter and casteful and beautiful illustrations, to ta struct and delight les enormous citcie of youthful readers.

Frank Leslie's Sunday Magazine. T. De Wilt Talmage, D.D., Editor. (New York: Mrs. Frank Leslie.- The mineth paper on "Religious Lenomınations in the United blates " opens the Uctober num. ber of this increasingly excellent publication. The denomination whose position and tenets are described is that popularly known as "The Disciples." A portratt of ths American pioneer, Rev. Alexasder Lampbell, is one of several illustrations that give an added tniturest to the sketch. There is a contribution of much excellence enhanced by approprtate illustrations or "The Lile and character of Geacral Robert E . Lee." Among other contributions deserving spectal Lenuon are "The Kingdom of Cho-sen." "sacred musicians of the Nineicenth Century,-Franz Liszr, by Altretod Harvey; a new story "Aunt Leborah's Spare-Room," by Harnet Brown; "Mount- Vesuvius and Around Napies," by Ellen M. Fogg; "Among the Natives of the Norih, by Lieut. Frederick schwaika, L.S.A ; "Mr. Burkes Nieces"-connmued; and a sermon and an artucle on "Shams in Religion" by the editor. A prolusion of excellens engravings and a number of short and varied articles add to the atiracuveness of the present number of "The Sunday Magazine.'

The Atlantic Monthly, (Boston• Houghtod, Miffin \& Co.)-This high class monthly opens with chapters vii. and vili. of Marion Crawford's interesting and well-writien story, "A Roman Singer." Henry W. Holland discourses scientifically, yet in a clear and popular style on the scientific subject of "Heredits." The sixth instalment of Henry James" "En Province" follows. A paper of much interest on "Mxnadism in Religion" is contributed by Elizabeth Robins. Wil. Hlam Chauncey Langdon is the author of a most in. teresting chapter of modern history entitled "Recol. lections of Rome during the Italian Revolution." "Volcanic Studies" by Horace D. Warner will be read just now with more than ordinary interest. William S. Liscomb writes in a scholarly manner on "The Mutilation of Ancient Texts." "Amiability : a Phil. osophical Tragedy" is by Edward Irenieus Stevenson. An essay from an unpublished manuscript of Emerson's possesses a characteristic and bistoric interest. It bears the title" Historic Notes of Life and Letters in Massachusetts." Interspersed with the more solid articles in this number of the "Atlantic Monthly" area number of readable short stories, and origina! poems. Critical reviews appear on "The Voyage of the Jean. nette." "Mr. White on Shakespeare and Shendan," and "Lodge's Webster." There are also shorter notices of recent noteworthy books, and the usual bright short essays in the Contributor's Club.
Harpers' Magazine. (New York: Harper and Brothers.)-The October Number of "Harpers' Maga. zine" presents unusual attracions, and is remarkable for the number and excellence of its illustrations. The frontispiece is a masterly engraving by Kruell, from Gilbert Stuart's portrait of Washington. This portrait illustrates the opening article of the Number -"Last Days of Washington's Army at Newburgh," by J. T. Headley. The article contains among its other illustrations a fine engraving by Kruell, from Gilbert Stuart's portrait of Martha Washington, and some striking pictures by Howard Pyle and Harry Fenn. The second part of F. D. Millet's "Daiecarlia" is full of interest, with characteristic illustrations from drawings by the author and T. de Thulstrup. Mrs. Z. B. Gustafson contributes a paper on "Nicaise de Keyser," of Antwerp-the greatest of living Dutch painters-accompanied by four engravings of the highest order. Mrs. Rose Hawthorne Lathrop's novelette, "Prisoners!" is concluded with an illus. tration by Abbey. "Horse-Farming in Kentucley," with erpecial reference to the trotting-horse, is the subject
of an interesting articio by Willam Honry Blshop Hustrated from drawings by George Inaess, fr, and photographs. Colonel Higginson continues his Amertcan History Serics, with a chaptes on the Revolution, catitled "The Dawning of Independence," illustrated by Howard Pyle. Tighe Hopkins contributes an in. serestiog and romanuc story, entitled "The WoodNymph." Phil Robinson, under the title of "Saanterings in Utah," describes some wonderful natural curiosities in the neighbourhood of Salt Lake. The Editorial Departments are full of timely and enter talning matter. The publishers announce the coaclusion of "A Castle in Spain" in the November num. ber, and the begicning, shortly aftervard, of a new novel of starting literary interest, by William Black, entitled " Judith Sbakespeare," illustrated by Abbey.
The Century. (New York. The Centur Co.)October briogs the concluding number of "The Century " year, and of the twenty sixth volume of the magazine. Illustrated articles and critical, blographlcal papers give a popular look to the number. The portrait of Longfellow which accompanies Edmund C. Stedman's admirable essay on loec poet, is thought to be one of the best of the eicellent series of frontispieces that has yet appeared. It differs from most of the Longfellow portraits in emphasizing the serious side of his nature. Mr. Stedman may be said to apply to the poet's works the best standard of contemporary judgment. His estimate is high, yet discriminating; and his remarks on Longiellop's literary methods are of the highest value. With popular force and knowledge, Professor George P. Fishes, of Yale, revicws the position held in religious thought and history by "Martin Luther, after Eour Hundred Years." With it is printed a copy of Lucas Cranach's wood cut portrait, made in 1546 . Richard Grant White's "Old New York and Its Houses " is one of the most interesting among the illustrated articles, being a racy criticism of the commercial spirit and building taste of the past twenty years. Of striking interest is his discription of the beauties of New York Bay, as it appeared to him in youth. William H. Rideing's in teresting jaunt about London, "In the Footsteps of Thackeray," describes and illustrates houses and scenes delineated in Thackeray's novels, and also places of interest like the Charter-house, where Thackerary received his early schooling. HI. H. contributes an illustrated paper on the "Outdoor Industries of California," and George Bird Grinnell has a prartical sportsman's paper on "Snipe-sheoting." Austin Dobson follows his important paper on the engraver Thomas Bewick with a sketch of "The Pupils of Thomas Bewick," illustrating the text with copies of the best engravings of Harvey, Nesbitt, Ciennell, Jackson, Landells, and Hole. W. J. Stillman's "Characteristics of London," and the paper of an anonymous "Foreigner in Floreace," succeed in making travel picturesque without the aid of pictures. In the third part of the "Bread-winuers," the anonymous novel which is attracting so much attention there is the noyulty of two love scenes, in which the hero is doubly embarrassed by a declaration of love from Maud. and subsequently by the coldness with which silice receives his own proposal. Mr. Howells brings "A Woman's Reason" to an effective conclustod. "Through Waterspout and Typhoon," by James G. Wait, is a story of the tropical seas, of graphic and realistic power. The poctry of the number is contributed by Roger Riordan, L. Frank Tooker, Miss Charlotte Fiske Bates, Edna Dale ; and in "Bric.d. Brac," by Richard A. Jackson and others. "Topics of the Time" discusses "The Democrats and the Presidency," "Law and Order Leagues," "The Lack of Earnestness in American Politics," and "Professor Jevons on Education"; while "Open Letters" contains short articles of interest and importance, including Charles Dudley Warner on "A New Interpreter of Greek Art," namely, Dr. Charles Waldstein, a ycung American who is lecturing at Cambridge Uaiversity England; and several others by pell-known and effective writess. The October "Century" is a capital number.
Received.-"The Chrysostomizn," a Magazine of Homiletical and practical hints for pastor and people (Chicago : Rev. S. Mease, D.D., managing editor and publisher.) "E:blical Expositor and Penple's Com. mentary, ${ }^{\text {p }}$ No. 1o. By Jacob M. Herschfelder. (Toronto: Printed by Rowsell \& Hutchison.) "The Canadian Independent." (Toronto . Printed by C. Biaikett Robinson.) "Astrum Albert," the magaxine conducted by studerts of Albert University, Belloville

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FEEMS THE DOOR-KEEPER.

## by John brown, m.d.

When my father was in Broughton Place Church, we had a door-keeper called feems, and a formidable little man and door-keeper he was: of unknown age and name, for he existed to us, and indeed still exists to me-though he has been in his grave these sixteen years-as theems, absolute and per se, no more needing a surname than did or do Abra-
ham or Isaac, Samson or Nebuchadnezzar. We young peoham or Isaac, Samson or Nebuchadnezzar. We young peo-
ple of the congregation believed that he was out in the ' 45 , ple of the congregation believed that he was out in the 45 ,
and had his drum shot through and quenched at Culloden; and had his drum shot through and indication on his huge and gray visage of his and as for any indication on his hage and have been Bottom the Weaver in "A Midsummer Night's Dream," or that excellent ingenious and "wise-hearted" Bezaleel, the son of Uri, whom feems regarded as one the greatest of men
and of weavers, and whose "ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, each of them with fifty loops on the edge of the selver'ge in the coupling, with their fifty taches of gold," he, in confidential moments, gave it to be understood were the sacred triumphs of his craft; for as you may infer, my friend was a man of the treadles and
the shuttle, as well as the more renowned grandson of Uri. Jeems's face was so extensive and met you so formidably and at once, that it mainly composed his whole ; and such a face! "Sydney Smith used to say of a certain quarrelsome
man, "His very face is a breach of the peace." Had he seen our friend's he would have said he was the imperative mood on two (very small) legs, out on business in eye that his strength lay. Such a nose of power, so undeniable, I never saw, except in what was said to be a bust clerk of the Pagan Court of Session! Indeed, when I was in the Rector's class and watched Feems turning interlopers out of the church seats, by merely presen if Rhadamanthus had still been here, and out of employment, he would have taken kindly to $\mathscr{F}$ fems's work-an
that potentate in a U. P. disguise
Nature having fashioned the huge face, and laid out much material and idea upon it, had finished off the rest of Yeems somewhat scrimply, as if she had run out of means; his legs especially were of the shortest, and as his usual dress was a
very long blue great-coat, made for a much taller man, its very long blue great-coat, made for a much taller man, its
tails resting upon the ground, and its large hind buttons in a totally preposterous position, gave him the, look of being a totally preposterous position, gave him the look of being planted, or rather after the manner oinfuly from his mother
creation, in the act of emerging painfule earth

Now, you may think this was a very ludicrous old object. If you had seen him, you would not have said so; and not genuine, indeed a deeply spiritual Christian, well read in his genuine, indeed a deepaly spris in human nature and life,
Bible, in his own heart, and knowing both its warp and woof; more peremptory in
making himself obey his Master, than in getting himself making himself obey his Master, than in getting himself
obeyed, and this is saying a good deal ; and like all comobeyed, and this is saying a good deal; and like all complete men, he had a genuine love and gift of humour shrewd and keen, which, like two sharpest of shooters,
filaded that massive and redoubtable balwark,
One day two strangers made themselves over to $\mathcal{F}$ eems to be furnished with seats. Motioning them to follow, he
walked majestically to the furthest in-corner, where he had decreed they should sit. The couple found seats near the door, and stepped into them, leaving 7 iems to march through the passages alone, the whole congregation watch
ing him with some relish and alarm. He gets to his des tination, opens the door, and stands aside ; nobody appears He looks sharply round and then gives a look of general wrath "at lairge." No one doubted his victory. His pulled them out instantly, hurrying them to their appointed place : $\mathcal{F}$ eems snibbed them slowly in, and gave them a get.
At that time the crowds and imperfect ventilation made fainting a common occurrence in Broughton Place, espe cially among "thae young hizzies," as feems called the ser vant girls. He generally came to me, "the young Doctor, doctrinated him in the philosophy of syncopes, especially as loor of the lobby, with the head as low as the rest of the foor of the lo feems called "that bitter yerkin" of their boddices, he and I had much satisfaction in relieving them, and giving them had moral lesson, by cutting their stay-laces, which ran before the knife, and cracked "like a bow string," as my coadjuto said. One day a young lady was our care. She was ying out and slowly coming to. 7 feems, with that huge, terrific visage came round to me with his open , guily in his hand whispering, "Wull oo ripp er up noo ? was a great sanitary o be a cion and made a decided inroad upon the $y$ eriar institution, $\mathfrak{f e e m s}$ having, thanks to this and Dr. Combe, every year fewer opportunities of displaying and enjoying its powers.
He was sober in other things besides drink, could be generous on occasion, but was careful of his siller ; sensitive to fierceness ("we're uncommon zeelyous the day," was a
favourite phrase when any church matter was stirring) for favourite phrase when any church matter was stirring) for
the honour of his church and micister, and to his too often worthless neighbours a perpetual moral protest and lesson-

a living epistle. He dwelt at the head of Big Lochend's Close in the Canongate, at the top of a long stair-ninetyself, for five-and-thirty years, and where in the midst of all sorts of flittings and changes, not a day opened or closed "thout the well-known sound of feems at his prayers-his clear, fearless, honest that wide "land" like that of pres came sounding throug
Feenss and I got great friends, he called me John, as if he was my grand-father; and though as plain in speech as in feature, he was never rude. I owe him much in many ways. His absolute down-rightness and yatfauldness; his energetic unflinching fulfilment of his work; his rugged sudden tenderness ; his look of sturdy age, as the thick silver-white hair lay on his serious and weather-worn face, like moonlight on a stout old tower; his quaint Old Testament exegetics; his lonely and contented life; his simple godliness-it was no small privilege to see much of all this
But I must stop. I forgot that you didn't know him ; that he is not your feems. If it had been so, you would not soon have wearied of telling or of being told of the life and conversation of his early life. He would sometimes speak to me
icative about his icative about his early life. He would sometimes speak to me
about "her," as if I knew who and where she was, and about "her," as if I knew who and where she was, and
always with a gentleness and solemnity unlike his usual gruff ways. I found out that he had been manied when young, and that "she" (he never named her) and their child had died on the same day-the day of its birth. The only indication of married life in his room was an old and strong cradle, which he had cut down so as to rock no more, and which he made the depository of his books-a queer collection.
I have said that he had what he called, with a grave smile, family worship, morning and evening, never failing.
He not only sang his psalm, but gave out or chanted the He not only sang his psalm, but gave out or chanted the line in great style ; and on seeing me one morning surprised at this, he said, "Ye see John, oo," meaning himself and anse, began that way. He had a firm true voice and a genuine though roughish gift of singing and being methodials things, he did what I never heard of an on its own set-das Sabbath morning it was Fruch, which he went through with great birr, Monday Scarborough, which he said was like my father cantering. Tuesday, Coleshill, that soft-exquisite air-monotonous and melancholy, soothing and vague, like the his wife and child died, and he always sang more verses than on any other. Wednesday was Irish ; Thursday, Old Hundred ; Friday, Bangor ; and Saturday, Blackburn, that humdrummest of tunes, "as long and defend it, but had some secret reason for sticking to it. As to the evenings they were just the same tunes in reversed order, only that on Tuesday night he sang Coleshill again, order, only droping Blackburn for evening work. The children could tell the day of the week by feems's tune, and would have been as much astonished at hearing Bangor on Monday, as at finding St. Giles's half-way down the Canongate. I frequently breakfasted with him. He made capital porridge, and I wish I could get such buttermilk, or at least have such a relish for it, as in those days. Feems is awaygone over to the majority ; and I hope I may never forget to be grateful to the dear and queer old man. I think I see and hear him saying his grace over our bickers with their reading, not without a certain homely majesty, the first verse of the 99th psalm

## The eternal Lord doth reign as king, <br> Let all the people quake; <br> IIe sits between the cherubim, Let the earth be moved and shake.

Then launching out into the noble depths of Irish. His chapters were long, and his prayers short, very scriptural,
but by no means stereotyped, and wonderfuily real, immediate, as if he was near Him whom he addressed. Any one hearing the sound and not the words would say, "That man is speaking to some one who is with him-who is present,"-
as he often said to me, "There's nae' gude dune, John, till ye get to close grups.
Now, I dare say you are marvelling-first, why I brought this grim, old Rhadamanthus, Bezaleel U. P. Naso of a him down decorously in that ancient blue great-coat, and get at my own proper text.

And first of the first, I thought it would do you young men- he hour affection go out toward this dear old-world specimen of homespun worth. And as to the second, I am going to make it my
excuse for what is to come. One day soon after I knew him, when I thought he was in a soft, confidential mood, him, when 1 thought he was in a soft, confidential mood, 1 said "iaecmls, what kind on, weaver are you fant stiffly. I like fancical line, maister John," said he somewhat stiffly. Tlike
its lecence. So exit Jecms-impiger, iracundus, acer-torvus visu-placide quiessat

## (To be continued.)

## VICTIMS OF MONACO

The enormous gains of the Monte Carlo gaming tables are direct incentive to play in all countries, and we are not surprised that no less than thirty-seven illicit tables were re cently found open. at night in and dround Nice during a
single police raid. For several years previous to the forma. tion of the "International Association for the Suppression of the Gaming-tables at Monte Carlo," the clear profits of the Casino were over $25,000,000$ francs per annum. The
Prince of Monaco receives 250,000 francs yearly for the concession, besides a share in the profits, and considerable sup plementary sums; and as the expenses of the Casino and en ire principality are defrayedby the bank, the sum annually lost by players cannot have fallen below fifty million of francs ! The receipts have fallen off considerably since 188r,
but it is estimated that fully $30,000,000$ francs have yearly
found their way over the green tables into the coffers of the bank. What losses and misery does this sum represent How many, tempted to play in the hope of "luck" an sudden wealth, have gone on and on till ruin and disgrace have stared them in the face! How many dependent wives, children, and relatives have been reduced to absolute poverty in a day! And, alas ! how many have committed self-murder to escape the shame caused by their own folly While desirous of avoiding anything approaching sensa tionalism, we venture to quote the following paragraph from the "Colonie Etrangére," a paper published in Nice Englishman allowed a train to run over his neck; a Russia blew his brains out; a young Bavarian fired a couple o bullets into his chest ; a Pole shot himself in the middle o the gaming saloon Monte Carlo; a well-dressed strang hot himself at the Hotel des Empereurs Nice, a mer chant poisoned himself at the Hotel de la Garde, Cannes an Austrian of distinguished family blew out his brains in a shed at Segurance, Nice ; a lawyer threw himself from the top of the rock Rauba Capen into the sea, Nice; a German office shot himself in the ear; a Hollander poisoned himself; Dutch nobleman shot himself in the garden of his villa, Mon Dutch nobleman shot himself in the garden orslis at the Hote des Deux Mondes, Nice ; she had sold her last jewel to tryand recover her losses at Monaco. A German shot himself on recover her losses at Monaco. A German Englishman hung himself on the Ponroad; a gentleman shot himself befor the Café de Paris, close to the Casino; and a young Rus sian shot himself at the Casino door."
man of good family reports the circumstances of a young Ger osing ath chily shooting himself the Thursday att good family, whose father held a high position in the House of Lords, told the writer last week that he had lost a fortun in Monaca, and was a beggar, on the world, and thas seriously contemplated suicide as the only way of escaping misery and shame. The writer had a list of fifty mor suicides before him, the direct results of gambling at $M$ Catlo. What sorrow and distress these voilent deaths hav entailed upon helpless victims! Many of our readers vis the Riviera as a winter resort, and we entreat them to dis suade persons from going to Monaco "just to see the place." Though Monaco be "even as the garden of the Lord," the cry of it is grea
and Gonorrah
It is gratifying to find that the International Association has succeeded in drawing the serious attention of the greas Powersto the subject of public gaming at Monaco. An movement, and the leading Continental press lends heart co-operation. The question has already occupied the cons deration of the Frencp Chamber of Deputies and Senate and the Italian Parliament and German Rbiehsiag have de nounced in indignant terms trems the continuance of an stitution so fruitful in crime, misery, and death. The sub ject will be brought before the English Parliament.-TM Christian.

## THE LONDON FLUNKY.

W. J. Stillman says in "Characteristics of London," the October "Century:" "In the intonation of the 10w toned command is the highest expression of that incom municable, undescribable, and, except by generations of ca reply to it is that perfect antithesis in breeding, ought to cal tating prostration of self of the traditional hereditary ' flunky,' disciplined like a soldier, who, as his master nere permits himself to express a disturbing, as his master himself an expression of surprise or a word whose self-command is as great as his master's, greater-a well apparelled statue, save when an
given; whose bows and deference for his master given; whose bows and deference for his master's guest are graduated by the distance at which they sit from knows nothing, and believes nothing which his master not expect him to see and know and believe ; who, if thinks of a heaven at all, never dreams that it can be same thing, for his master and himself: he hopes to m his father and grandfather and great-grand-father in the vants' hall of that celestial abode where his master and the family for countless generations will dwell in their m dane state ; his brains could no more take in the parable
Dives and Lazarus than the laws of Kepler and the insensate Chartit or Radical could never inspire in ambition to be anything beyond butler in his master's $m$ sion.'

## CHINESE ASTRONOMY.

By the vast majority of the people of China the sun is $5 \mathrm{re}^{\circ}$ garded as the "yang," or male principle in nature; The moon, being the weaker in light, is termed tai "great female principle." The two are supposed husband and wife, and the stars the numerous Others think that sun and moon are both females. tion written in Chinese, the hieroglyphics of which recently been endeavouring to transmute as to this wis
character into our English, runs something on this All the stars are the children of the moon ; in the begining he sun also had many little ones, just as the moon, wards the sun and moon met and considered, saying heat and light, combined with Much the stars, is 100 stars). They decided to eat up each her own children stars. They decided to eat up each her own childreng
moon, being deceitful, concealed hers, but the uprig according to the contract, devoured her progeny dap, therefore, there are now no stars.
he sun devour her children, again caused her own pear, seeing which the sun quickly became very angry pursued the moon with murderous intent. From that to this she pursues her without ceasing, even to cominf
near, desiring to bite and kill her. This is the cause o eclipses.

I add anothes, which is partly my translation: Primarlly there was a woman, who whilst attendiog a feast, was cuof dently addressed by a person standing bechind her. He said,
"I lore you." It was already datk, and the woman did not "1 love you." It Was already dark, and the woman did yot
trow who it was. She len the feast, dipped her hand in krow who it was. She len the feast, dipped her hand in
soot and came back. She then smeared the cheek of the soot and came back. Sphet to her. Whien the lamps were person who had thus spoken to her. Wh.en the lamps were
lighted, she stared at him and discorered that it was her lighted, she stared at him and discovered that it was her
own brother. Greatly terified, she fed; the brother folown brother. Greatly terifined, she ged; the brother fol-
lowed. IIe puruued her even to the uttermost parts of the esth ; then the woman leaped into space and became the mun. Her brother ieaped anter her and was changed into the moon. This is the reason that the moon almays follows the san. Sometimes the moon exhibits a dark, shadow;
it is turning her cleek that was soiled at the feast, long beit is turning her chesk then
fore, to
These, and hundreds of others, only awakened feclings of pity in ous hearts for the poor people who are so agnorant in matters pertaining to our sulay bystem. But when we conssder their jogoorance of our system of ealvation through Jesus Christ, and the ideas they entertain on religious subjects, our hearts bleed. Their system of religion is by fay more 'false than their ideas of astronomy; their priests more immoral and corrupt than their astrologers. Through the means of a Christian world, the true light of the Gospe! of peace is to shine in this poor benlghted land.-Christan osstrict.

## LUTHER AS A PREACHER.

In the October "Century "Professor Gcorge P. Fisher, of Yale, says: "For moving eloquence in the pulpit no one excelled Luther. He yot only knew how to preach, but he could tell the secret to others. One defect, he observes, may eclipse numerous gifts in a preacher. ' Dr. Justus Jonas
has all the good virtues and quallites a man may have; yet has all the good virtues and qualities a man may have; yet
merely because he hums and spits, the people cannot bear merely because he hams and spits, the people cannot bear
the good ard honest man.' Let $s$ preacher stick to his text, thal good and honest man.' Let $s$ preacher stick to his text,
and not ramble: 'A preacher that will speak everything that comes in his mind is like a maid that goes to market, end, meeting another maid, makes a stand, and they hold a goose-market.' He despised the hungry for applause:
'Ambition is the rankest poison to the Cburch, when it 'Ambition is the rankest poison to the Church, when it
pessescs preachers.' Cursed are all preachers that in the possesses preachers.' 'Cursed are all preachers that in the
Charch aim at high and loud things, and, neglecting the gring tealth of the poor, unlearned people, seck their own honour and praise, and therewith to please one or two ambitious persons. When I preach I sink myself deep down. I regard neither doctors nor magistrates, of whom are here in this church about forty; but I have an eye to the multtede of young people, children; and servants, of whom are more than two thoussad. I preach to these, directing myseff to them that have need thereof. Will not the rest here me? The door stands open unto them ; they may begone. - An upright, godly, and true preacher should direct his preaching to the poor, simple sort of people, like a mother that stills her child, dandles, and plays with it,' etc. 'When they come to me, 10 Melanchthol, to Dr. Pommar, etc., let them show their cauning, how learned they be; they shall
be mell put to their trumps. But to sprinkle out Hebrerr, Ge reek, pud Latia in their public sermons savours merely of sbom,' etc."

## FLORENTINE FUNERALS.

"A Foreigner in Florence" says in the October "Cen. tary" "The dead are carried to their last resting-place at night. No one must be shocked during the day, uhile in the midst of sunshiac, and light and gayety, by a reminder of orill be no sanshine or gayely for us in this bright world.
"A funeral in Floreace is one of the saddest of sad spec. tacles, with its procession of priests and boys in draggled gowns that orce were white, carrying large candles, which drip their waxen tears along the road-or wonld do so, if they were not canght as they fall in little cups, carried by more bors and priests, chanting, or rather whining monotoacosly. is they step briskly along, with a most indifferent air. One can jucge somewhat of the wealth of the departed by the number of candles farnished. The shorter the parse the fewer the candles, unth ant last the rery poor are shofled tolo a pit, one on top of the other-a sight to make shoffed idto 2 pit
the angels weep
"One of the most gnerous characteristics, to me, of a Florenune funeral ts the absence of any selative or fricad of the decensed. Not one creature who loved or cared for him to follow him to his jurney's end or to shed one tear over the grave of a lost companion; left, to be almost th:orna me grave of a lost companion; te ground by a few prsests, who sometimes, it is to be mino the ground by a few prsests, who sometimes, it is to be
feared, look upon the ceremony as a disagrecable, though feared, look upon the ceremony as a disagrecable,
profiatle task, to be got ores as soon as possible."

## " PAPA" AND " MAAMMA."

An early instance which occurs to me is in the "Bexpar's Opera," (1727), where Polly Peachum, I think it is, speaks of "papa." The modern change from "papa "and "mamma "to "father "and "mother" among the tipper classes, 2 reaction against a custom which bad gradually crept in 2mong persoss of a lower grade. As soon as common peo
ple's childres began to eser "papa" zad "mamma," those ple's children began to sar "papa" 2ad " "mamma," those
of a higher class फrere taught to say "father "and "mother." of a higher class were taught to say " father " and " mother."
It was among my High Church fric口ds that I first noticed this adoption of "father" and "mother." One does not tee the connection, bat traly such is the fact. When I krs song ${ }^{\text {" "papa " and " mamma " were unircrsal among what }}$ may be called the middle and upper classes of society, and
to this day "ladies of a certain age" still use the woids. to this day" "ladies of a certain age" still use the woids.
Kiog George III., aboul the gear 1762 , ajdressed his mother es "tmanma;" so il fod st staied in "Grannille Memoirs" But I do not thuk that Charies II., uniess he was speakieg 10 Freneh, cret addressed Heanctia Mana by that cndearing anme, and I feel tolerably sure that the loudy
Elizabeth nerer celled Hicory VIII. "papa." Oi the other
hand, I would observe that "papa" and "mamma" are fast being, supplanted by the vil unginal "father" and 'mother. For ten, or perhaps for twenty years past, children in the upper and midule classes have, so far as my observation foes, been taught to sag" father "and " mothet "; and papa and "mamma, which are words of extremest tendeness to those of my generatiun, seem now to have
sunk into contempt as a "note " of social inferiority.-Notes sunk into con
and Queries.

## MY BONNIE BARK.

My bonnie bark o'er the waters dark, Toward the west, where the billows' crest In the suaset gilds the ocean.

Like wings of snow the white sails glow Within the gorgeous splendour, That fills the skies with brilliant dyes-

The waves leap high, and fret, and sigh, With soft, regretful droning;
The fitful wind lags ar bewing
Now laughing, and now moning.
Yet on, and on, and ever on,
My bonnie bark keeps gliding;
Toward the mart my dreamful heart
For staunch and true, ay gallant crew, Undaunted, pull together,
Neath skies of light, or shades of night
In foul or sunny weather.
Hope's watchful eyes scan waves and skies
In loving patience, ever;
What tho the storm bring dire alarm, She faints or falters never!

Love bravely stands, with steady hand, Her trackless pathway stecring; My bark bounds on unveering!

Faith turns her eyes with restful sighs Toward the felds Elysian
That stretch amay in endless day-
Hope's sweet and sure frution.
Her eges discern the lights that burn Beyond the hills terrestial,
To guide us o'er life's rush and roar, Into the port celestial.

So on, and on, and ever on, My bonbie bask keeps gliding,
oward the mart my dreamful hear Toward the mart my dreamful heart Holds sacred and adiding.

If sad my lot, I'li murmur not, God's fiat is elemal:-
bejond lite's waves tie sunlight laves The batulemeats supernal!

- Frant Lestie's Sunday Magazine for October.


## LOOK WITHIN.

It is from barren monntain heights
That pure cold water hows ;
And in the bowels of the earth
Fast locked 'tween shells, in waters decp.
The pearl in darknest lies;
And worthless seems the golden ore
Whea viewed with untrained eges.
So, of we find, within the breasts
That outward seem most stern,
The heatts in which love's purest fire
Will ever constant burn.
-S. M. Mamize.
Chlifnesin's vineyards are rivalling her mines as a source of profit.
A Brisk old lady, Mrs. Kusselh Greed, of Providence, Rhode Island, eighty-nine years old, does all her own roork, and recently whitewashed a long board fence between her
own and a neighbour's gardeo. She sises ever moming at own and a
lour $0^{\prime}$ cloch.
Two Ladies, Misses Harniette and Jane Black, daughters of the late Rev. Noses Black, Kilmare, county Down, have Ieft Belfast for Chuna, as missionaries in connection with the
Irish Presbytenan Church. Iateresting farewell mecting Irish Presbytenan Church. Iateresting farewell meetings were held in Albert Street Church.
Tur people of central Wales, under the leadership of Priscipa Edmarda Cf Bala, 2 fellow-student of Dr. Chalmers, are Aberystwith, since Bangor has been selected at the site of 2t Aberystrith, since Bangor has been selected at the
a college for north Wales and Cardiff for the soath.
Nearly all the Prime Ministers of England reached a mature age before they attained to the honour. Mir. Glad. stone Fas fifts-nine whea he first held the position. Lord Benconsfeld was sixty threc Lord Palmerston sercaty, Loid Derby Giff-tizo, Sir Rotert Iecl Gfty-threc, the Dake af Wellington fifysix, and Eanl Russell fiftothree. In striking contuant with these yetcrans appears the southfal:


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Tue most popular noet of Spain has just published a culogy of Luther.
Onk of the Civii Justices of Fhiladelyhin is the keeper of a gambling house.
Canon Lidion has prepared a volume of the private prayers of Dr. Pusey.
San Francisco is trying to prevent the landing of lepers from tie Sandwich Islands.
Soare Arizona mining companies are about to use the electric light in their mines.
Tux collected works of Dean Stanles are to be issucd by Mr. Mustay in a series of monthly volumes.
The oratontu of "Elijah" was performed in Gloucester Ca.hediral lately after a sermon by the Dean of Llandaff.
Une hundred ard twenty-nine life convicts have entered the prison in Joliet, Ill., since 1858, and fifty-three are still there.
IJr. W. M. Taylor, of New York, preached for his old friend Mr. Kirkwood, of Troon, recently to 2 crowded congregation.
The Archbishop of Canterbury has declared that the eastward position is legal. The decision of the courts is exactly the opposite.
Tate North Nebraska Methodist Conference has resolved that any member who has fallen into the use of tobaceo ought to desist.

Tut Lee Association of Mobile ask for \$10,000 for a munument to Kaphael Semmes who was caplain of the cru ser "Alabama."
Chicauvis banyuet to Lord Chief Justice Coleridge recently is said to have been "on a scale of hitherto trapproached magnificence.'
A Minnizarolis man has pard $\$ 3,000$ for medical treatment on account of a bite by his dog, and yet has not sought satislaction by k:lling the beast.

Haymibal Mamilin proposes to give the town of Paris, Me., has native place, a clock to be placed in the tower of the Baptist church on Paris Mill.
Tue number of applicants for admission to the undergraduate classes in John Hopkios University increases as the instutution becomes bettes knoma.
Pulanelyhia's IEalth Board will require householders co remore the grass from their pavements, as it affords a hiding place for garbage and other filth.
IERMONT is delighted with General Hooker's law, under which the state Government is supported entirely by a tax upon the gross earming of corporations.

On his return from Europe, the famous temperance re former, Erancis Murphy, was accorde
Cooper Institute, New York, last week.
Mik. Akchimalid Forbes has returned to England from the antipodes in much better health, and it is said that he thinks of settling permanently in Australia.
At Greenoch, famous for its wet weather, a shelter has been provided at the cemetery for mouraers. A fee of five shillings is to be charged for its use at a funeral.
Tue new Roman Catholic cathedral to be built on the site of Tothill Fields prison by Sir Tatton Sykes will be about 400 feet in length and 200 feet across the transept.
Illitekacy has increased in Mainc, New Hampshire, Nevada and Cahfornia, and decreased in Georgia, MissisNevada and California, and decreased in Georgia, Missis-
sippl, North Carolina, leanessee, and Virginia within the past tea years.
Tue "Boston Post" says that a Vermonter whe stole a cow from his neighbours barn, found on getting her home cow from his neighbours barn, found on geting her home
that it was his own cow, which his neighbour had stolen earlice in the might.
IT is said that Tourguencef's method of writing was laborious. Ife generally spun out his novels to great length in
MS., and then carelully " boiled them down "till they had MS., and then carelully "
dwindled into short stories.
Tue funeral of Lucy Fish Curtis, who died at West Randolph, Vt, at the age of about 100 years, was attended by all her six children, the youngest being fifty-five and the olde:t eighty-three years of age.
The Kev. Mr. AcTavish, Inveness, formenly of Woodstuck, bas talied a notice of motion in lnverness Free Presbytery condemning the Assembly's action regarding instrubytery condemning the Assemblys a
mental music as an act of usurpation.

Tue Presbytenan missioa in Persia has been granted by the Shah a sute for a chapel in Teheran on condition that no Mohaminedan of whatever afe, will be allowed to attend the :ervices, wr receive religious instruction there.
AT the conicrence of 1.M.C associations at Lirerpool, it
as reported that in Scotiand there are $16 S$ branches, with was reported that in Scotland there are $16 S$ branches, with
2 membership of 30,00 . The place of meeting next year is Berliv, and the conference will be international.
Ture "Moraing Star," which is ornaed by the Freewill Baptists of the entire country, and has been printed in Dorer,
N. H., for fifty years past, is ere lone to be panted in Bos N. H., for fifty years past, is ere long to be panted in Bo
ton, where there are better mail tacilities than in Dorer.

Thes sheep ranciez of Californiz are usually desolate places. For the hercers it is 2 terrible life, how terrible is shown by the frequency of ansadity among them. Some. times, afier only a few mooths, a derder goes suddenly mad.
Is the church that is being built on the site of the old slave marixet at Zanzibir, 2 painted wibcow is to be fitted up to the memory of the late Ketth Johnston, F.R.G.S., Who died at Betsobero to June, 1 S79.
series of memorials to African explorers.

StRREY Chapc? on leaschold ground cost $\$ 25,000$; its s.cecessor, Christ Church, on freeheld ground, has cost $\$ 3=0$, 00 , of which the last remnant, amounting to about as mech es Surrey chapel cost, has lately been paid off in commem. oration of the centenary of the old piace of vership.

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The Rev. John Thompson, Sarnia, has returned trom a prolonged visit to Europe.
Dr. Wardrope acknowledges with thanks the receipt of \$250 from Dr. Nichol, of Brantford, and his brother, Adam Nichol, for the erection of a chapel in Formosa; also, of \$20 from Mr. John Wilson, of Westminister, Ont., in aid of the same object.
A very successful musical and literary entertainment was held in the lecture room of West Church, Toronto, on the evening of Thursday, 28 th ult., conducted by Mr. James Fax, precentor, and assisted by several amateurs from the city. About four hundred and fifty were present, and over $\$ 70$ were cleared. The object was to assist in paying the expenses of repairs on the church tower, lately injured by lightning.

The Perth "Courier" says that the first marriage service ever held in St . Andiew s Church here was solemaized on Wednesday moraing last at seven o'clock, the parties being Mr. IV. M. Harvey, of Urilia, and Miss Cecily Lafferty, of Perth. Rev. Mr. MacGillsvray performed the ceremony. At the close of the service, St. Andrew's Church session presented the bride with a family Bible, in consonance with an old custom of the church, which cotuled the bride to a gift of that sacred nature.

On Wednesday evenang, the congregation of Free St. John's Church, Walkerton, had a large social gathering to celebrate the close of the twenty-sixth year's pastorate of the Kev. Dr. Moffat. As usual with the ladies of this shurch, the tables were bountufully provided and beautulully ornamented. The Rev. Dr. Mclicar, the pancipal of the Montreal Presbyterian College, gave a briliant lecture on "sctence and Prayer." The lecture was a masterpiece of clear statement, keen discussion and irrefutable argument, and a rare treat to those who have ever faced the difficulties of the subject. From the financial and other standpoints, it was the most successful social gathering ever held by the congregation.

Presbytery of Chatham.-This Presbytery met at Fletcher on the 18 th instant. The aitendance both of minsters and elders was smaller than usual. Un the evening of the first day of meeting a Conference on Sebbath School Work was held. Mr. Uzelle, catechibt, gave a report of his labours during the last three months. A telegram was read announcing that Mr. McAlmon bad accepted the call of Dover and Chalmers Church and arrangements were made for his induction. A call from Florence and Dawn to Dr. Lamont, of the Presbytery of Glengarry was sustained. It was agreed to ask the Home Mission Committee for grants this year as follows: $\mathrm{S}_{2} \infty$ to Aiersea, Sijo to Baxton, $\$ 100$ to Duart, $\$ 3$ per Sabbath so Essex Centre, and $\$ 5$ per Sabbath to West Tilbury Town Line, and Tilbury Centre Mr. Tallach gave notice that he intended at next regular meeting to move the adoption of an overture to the General Assembly on the subject of our colleges. Mr. Scott gave notice that at next metung be would move the adoption of an overture, on the need of a juvenile missionary magazine for circulation in our Sabbath schools. The next regular meeting was appornted to be held in First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, on the second Tuesday of December next, at eleven a.m. It was agreed to taice the same course as that followed of late years, as to the way in which the claims of missions should be brought before the congregations within the bounds of the Prestytery. Mr. Gray was appointment to see to the formation of a Session at Essex Ceatre.-W. Walker, Pres. Clerh.
Presbytery of Paris. - This Presbytery heid its regular quarterly meeting in Lion Church, Brantford, on Tuesday, $-5^{\text {th }}$ ult., Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Moderator, and Rev. W. T. McMulled. clerk. A leuter from Mr. Joseph Builder, missionary-elect to India, was read, asking the Presbytery to transfer him fis ordination and designation to the Toronto Presbytery. After discussion, the request was granted, and the Toronto Presbytery notiEed by telegram of said action. Commissoners appeared from Knox and Erskwe Churches, ingersoll, in reference to a union of said congregations under the present pastor of Knox Church, the Ren. Mr. Ross. The union scught was granted, and Mr. McKay appointed so preach and notify them of the decision of the Presbytery. A Committee was alsc appolated to meet with sald congrogetions and
arrange other matters regarding property and finance. Mr. Thomson was appolinted to preach at Clenmorria on the 15 th October, and moderate in a call for a minister to said church. Messrs. McTavish and McKay were examined as students of Theology and certified to Knox College Senate. The former gave in an interesting report of his mission work at East Oxford during the past six months. Mir. Robson, elder of Knox Church, Ayr, was certified to the Home Mission Committee for work as a catechist in the North. West. The Rev. Mr. Rennie, of Ailsa Craig, appeared a Commissioner from the London Presbytery, asking that the Culloden congregation, at present united with Tilsonburg, should be transferred to the Presbytery of London, for union with the mission station at Springfield. Acommittee was appointed to meet with the congregations of Tilsonburg and Sulloden, and ascertain their views in the matter, and report to next meeting of Presbytery. Standing committes on the State of Religion, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Examination of Students, Sabbath Observance, and Statistics, were ap. pointed. The grants to supplemented and mission stations were revised, and claims passed. After the disposal of other matters of a routine character the Presbytery adjourred, to meet on the second Tuesday of December, in Knox Church, Woodstock, at twelve o'clock. - W. T. Mcmullen, Pres. Clerk.
Presbytery of Maitland.-This Presbytery met in Bluevale on the 18 th September. Elders' commisstons were presented, and the roll made up for the year. Messrs. Dunbar, of the Brockville Presbytery, and Eakin, without charge, were asked to sit with the Presbytery. A call from the congregation of Asbfield to the Kev. A. Ross, M.A., of Woodville, in the Lindsay Presbytery, was sustained; stipend promised is one thousand dollars with manse and glebe. Mr. Mcyueen was appotated to prosecute the call before the Presbytery of Lindsay. A conference on "The State of Keligion " will be held at the March meening, when the report on that subject is presented. Mr. Ross announced that the topic for conference at next mectung would be "Missions," to be introduced by Messis. Brown and McRae, ministers, and Strachan and Harrison, elders. Grants to aid-receiving congregations were revised. Pine River asks for $\$ 150$; Langside, $\$ 100$; Dungannon and Port Albert for $\$ 150$, and Belgrave for $\$ 200$ Leave was granted to the Dungannon congregation to build their new church in the village. Mr. Hartley gave in an excellent report on the Statistics of the Presbytery, and Mr. Brown a well prepared report on the finances of the Presbytery. Mr. Bennett, student, appeared before the Presbytery, and delivered an exercise and gave an account of his work in Dungannon and Port Albert. The clerk was instructed to certify him to his college. A petition from the congregation of Bervie, asking to be connected witt Knox Church, Kincardine, was hid on the table tull next meeting. A conference was held in the evening on "The Importance of the Worts of the Eldership in Promoting Personal, Family and Congregational Religion," introduced by Messrs. Muir, McNaughton and Bickell, ministers, and followed by Messrs. Hutton, Strachan and Harrison, elders. It was left to each session to make its own arrangements for bringing the claims of missions before the people, and report at tie March mecting. A commitice, consisting of Messrs. Hartey and McQuarrie, ministers, and Harrison, elder, was appointed to visit St. Andrev's and Knox Church congregations and endeavour to effect a union between them, and arrange regarding the neighbouring stations.-ROBERT leask, Pres. Clerk̀.
Presbytery uf Toronto.-This Presbytery met in the usual place on the 26th ult., at eleven $2 . \mathrm{m}$. Rev. J. M. Cameron presided, fro fem. The main object of that diet was to dispose of the appointment offered by the General Assembly to Rev. Dr. King, and accepted by him. An extract minute of a mecting oi his congregation was read, setting forth that while the congregation regarded the citation of the Presbytery as too late for offering effective opposition to bis acceptance of the appointment, they had nevertheless agreed to obey the citation, and had appointed as their cormmissioners to the Presbytery Mr. Wm. Kerr, Rev. Wm. Inglis, Mr. A. Nairn, and Mr. J. Y. Reid. Said commissioners appeared accordiogly, and were severally beard, when they stated (inter alia) that while they and the congregation were very unwilling to part with a pastor tha had latoured so lang and so efficiently among then they would not
now oppose his decislon, and that very cordially the would send with him their wishes and prayers for bu comfort and success, hoping also that the materin! support stipulated to him would not fall to be realized Dr. King was then heard on his own behalf, when th stated at some length the grounds on which he has declded to accept the appointment of the General Assembly, and to leave a people who had all alosg acted torrards him most kindly and honourably. Ret. Dr. Reid then submitted the following resolutice, which was seconded by the clerk, and after being sup ported by Revs. D. J. Macdonnell, Dr. Gregg, D. Mackintosh, H. M. Parsons, Principal Caven, and: Pringle, was unanimously adopted:
That the Presbytery, having now heard the commissionon from the congregation of St. James' Square Church, oof having already had before them an extract of the Genent Theology in Manitoba Collegr, and Principal of the Collerg Theology in Manitoba College, and Principal of the Collesh
and also Dr. King's acceptance of the appointment ; resolit to release Dr. King, as thes hereby do, from the pastons charge of St. James' Square Church from and after the 2224
day of Uctober ensung, and instruct him to day of Uctober ensung, and instruct him to walt the urden of the Preshylery of Manitoba as to his induction in Manitua
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will remember their brother when separated from him ; the will remember their brother when separated from him; then
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throughout the North-West.
The Presbytery desire to record their very deep and 2 cere sympathy with the cungregation of St. James' Syuarte being deprived of a pastor so faittful and so beloved, 24 their high appreciation of the unselfish and noble Christix spirit manifested by them in all their proceedings in conser. tion with this matter. The Presbytery cannot but extatain the trust that the spirit of Christian loyaity and selfers rifice evinced alike by pastor and people will be folloned to an abundant blessing and an enlarged bestowal of the gries and infuences of the lioly Spirti. The Presbytery appos Kev. Dr. Gregr to preach in the pulpit of St. James' Syier Chureh on Cabbath, the aSth October, and to declat \$15 pastoral charge vacant; zad further appoint Rev. Phinciza Caved to act as modezator of the session during the vacang.
An application was read fi om the managers of Camin congregation, asking leave to sell their old church aid lot, the proceeds thereof to go towards the payment $\alpha$ the debt on their new church. The leave sought wis granted. On motion made, Rev. R. Pettigrew of appsinted interim moderator of the session of Diss, in place of Rev. W. McWilliam, now zemoved to Prince Albert, N.-W. T. At three p.m. of the samt day the Presbytery met in Chalmers Church, Toroath for the purpose of ordaining Rev. John Mutch. At this diet Rev. A. Gilray presided, agreeably to previos appointment. After the usual preliminaries an exce lent sermon was preached by Rev. A. Wilson fros 2 Chron xiv. 11 . The moderator then narrated is previous steps, and put the usual questions to 4 Mutch, who was afterwards, by prayer and the laytu on of the hands of the Presbytery solemnly set apa: to the boly ministry, and inducted to the pastan! change of Chalmers Church. He was also affectis. ately and suitably addressed by Rev. H. M. Parses on the duties of his office; and the congregation were briefly addressed by the moderator. When th public services were over, a telegram ras read from the Presbytery of Paris transferring to this Pros bytery the autharity given by the General Assemby to the former Presbytery in conjunction with the Foreiga Mission Committce, to ordain and desigur: Mr. Joseph Builder to the mission work in Indi2. Afer some consideration, it was resolved to mee: in St. Jamad Square Church on the 5 th of October at three p.m. take Mr. Builder on the usual trials, and at ball-pis sevca p.m. of the same day, to set him apart to ti chosen work Rev. Dr. King nas appointed to pit side and deliver the charge to Mr. Builder. It kns also agreed to asts Rev. D. D. MacLeod, of Paris, 4 preach, and that the Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Gaeda, be invited to address the assembled people, leaving : to hiniself to tale whet action be might see fit for to presence of the Foreiga Mission Committee on thr occasion. The next ordinary mecting of Presbyter was appointed to be held in the usual place on tin 6h of November, at eleven 2.m.-R. MoNTENIG Pres. Clerk.

Presbytery of Owen Sound.-This Presbytery ber. Tivision Street Church on the 18 ch of Septemhad The clerk reported that an informal meeting had been held on the day of Mr. Cameron's funeral, that arrangements had been made for the supply of ville, Dulpit up to this meeting, and that Messrs. Somerap ane, Dewar and Currie had been appointed to draw $\mathrm{C}_{\text {amier }}$ abituary notice of our deceased brother, Mr . laterim, and that Mr. Currie had been appointed Presby moderator until Presbytery should meet. The rille fory approved of what was done. Mr. Somerminute the committee submitted the following was adopted :-"It to Mr. Cameron's death, which that adopted :-"It is with feelings of deepest sorrow $\mathrm{R}_{\text {ev. }}$ James Presbtery have to record the death of the and best bames Cameron, of Chatsworth, one of its oldest spirit was beloved members. After a brief illness his struggle waken home, strong in the faith and without was buried in the on the 13th August, and his body born in In in the church yard on the i5th. He was 002 in Invernessshire, Scotland, July roth, 1828 ; Free his arts course and two years of Theology in to Canada and in 1857 finished his Theological course K Knox Colld in 1857 finished his Theological course the Presbytery of Hamilton to labour as a student and was in in the township of Sullivan, county Grey, ruary 16 ordained as pastor of the congregation Febmory 16th, 1859. The charge then included Chatsin all directions receiving Latona with outlying stations the first hections receiving occasional service. From districts he took a deep interest in supplying outlying and his fostering and Bruce with Gospel ordinances; until they became care of each station never ceased Tas they became self-supporting. In 1872 the charge $H_{i s}$ ministry and he remained minister of Chatsworth. marked by great ability, earnestness, faithfulness and arduouse love for his people. During these years of arduous missionary labour he kept up his close habits ever editorial work he undertook was busy. WhatCiently: whether he were editing the 'Christial Monthly,' the 'Presbyterian Year Book,' or contribut-
ing brief the day articles on current topics to the periodicals of dever day. His disposition was retiring, so that he courts. How a prominent part in the higher Church Toronto However, at the last meeting of the Synod of . Most faithfully did he discharge his duties as When bor of Presbytery and as pastor ; often, too, The bodily weakness made these duties doubly heavy. from it his earnest labours. The Presbytery has lost Wilh wisdomsels one deeply beloved, gifted largely and is kind, and that charity which 'suffereth long ${ }^{c} 0 \mathrm{D}$ is kind.' The Presbytery would commend the teven gition to Him who walketh in the midst of the ${ }^{10}$ his golden candlesticks and holdeth the seven stars ficient right hand to raise them up a pastor faithful and tonbly like the one taken up to the 'General Asthat the Fand Church of the first-born,' and would pray Would Father of all mercies, and the God of all grace rido make his consolations abound to the sorrowing th this the children, and be to them doubly a Father rilles at the time of their sore affiction." Mr. Somertrator, at the request of the session was appointed modIong mith Mr. Mullan, with Mr. Anthony as assessors ${ }^{2} s s_{i o n}$ fith Mr. Wallace, were appointed to form a Courses for Bere heard and Williamsford. Students disgises were heard and passed. The evening meethe report of work done during the past six months $a_{s}$ emint of work done during the past six months eminently satisfactory, showing deep interest in emy field. The feople, and encouraging progress in meeting for all mission stations and supplemented oney raised reported, giving statistics of work and basis of these grants to fields were revised on visit all congregations, and committees appointed ions for congregations coming under the new reguilliamsford augmentation of stipend. Berkeley and on the were erected into a congregation and rawak the list of vacancies. An application from agregation Kemble to be erected into a separate Kemble on was held over till the adjourned meeting quiring on the $16: \mathrm{h}$ of October with the view of the whole field a better permanent arrangement arrangen, Dewar and Morrison were appointed ange if possible for the supply of Johnstone,
etc., for the winter. The Presbytery agreed to hold its stated meetings quarterly in Division Street Church, O ven Sound, on the third Tuesday of September, December and March, and on the first Tuesday of July at $\mathrm{I} .30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The meetings for visitation of congregations to be fixed as occasion required. Mr. Stevenson was appointed to arrange with brethren for the supply of Mr. McLaren's pulpit if necessary during his illness. A deliverance on the Presbyterial visitation in Euphrasia and Holland was agreed on. The moderator announced that the next regular meeting would be held in Division Street Church, Owen Sound, on the third Tuesday of December at 1.30 . The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Kemble Church on the 16 th October at in a. m., and the meeting was closed with the benediction.-John Somerville, M.A., Pres. Clerk.

## "SUITABLE MEN."

Mr. Edrtor,-Mr. Hastie has made some valuable suggestions in the several letters which he has published lately, but there is one statement in his last which is a gratuitous insult to every minister who is out of a charge. It is the following: "The chief obstacle to any scheme is the dearth of suitable men." That the ministers without charge are "on the whole" less suitable than those who are in charge has yet to be proved.
I am prepared to produce a printed sermon by one of those "unsuitable men" and submit it to competent judges, and if it is not pronounced equal to the average of those published in the "Canada Presbyterian Pulpit" I shall then be willing to admit that there may be some ground for such a statement.

Such sweeping statements, injurious to a large class of ministers, whose only fault is that they have resigned their charges before they had secured others, should not be made without some sufficient grounds; and it is only fair that some reason should be given, or the statement withdrawn.
W. C.

Acknowledgments. - Received by Rev. Dr. Reid, the following sums for schemes of the Church, viz: A Friend, Wick, for Foreign Mission, $\$ \mathrm{I}$; A Friend, Roseneath, special for Formosa, \$1 ; Warwick, Knox Church, from sundry persons, special for Formosa, \$1375; Anonymous, for Foreign Mission, Saskatchewan, \$5; A Friend, Lachine, special for Formosa, $\$ 15$.

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## INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

LESSON XLI.
$\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Oct. } 14, \\ 1883 .\end{array}\right\}$ SAMUEL THE YUDGE.
$\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { Sam. vii. } \\ 3-17 .\end{array}\right.$
Golden Text.-" Hitherto hath the Lord helped
us."-I Sam. 7 : i2. us.' ${ }^{\prime}$-1 Sam. 7: 12.
Central Truth. -Righteous judges are a na-
ional blessing. ional blessing.
Connection.-About twenty years more had passed ( $7: 2$ ). The people were still oppressed by the Philistines. The captured ark, being the cause of plagues among the
Philistines, had, after seven months, been sent back, and was Philistines, had, atter seven months, been sent back, and was
lodged at Kiriath-jearim. The people began to cry to God. lodged at Kirjath-jearim. The people began to cry to God.
Samuel seized the favourable time to impress them with a Samuel seized the
sense their duty.
Notes.-Baalim : the plural of Baal, the supreme male divinity of the Phenicians and of the Canaanitish nations, corresponding to the Jupiter of the Greeks and Romans. Being a general name for the gods of Syria and Palestine, there were as many Baals as there were nations. Ashta. roth : a general name for the principal female deities, worshipped in the same countries as Baal, often identifed with the moon, as also Juno, Diana, and Venus. The Baalim and Ashtaroth together represent all the gods and goddesses of the nations that surrounded the children of Israel. miles to the a watch-tower, an elevated point about five nitely known, but lies west of Bethcar: site not defiEbenezer: a stone set up between Mizpeh and Mizpeh. Shen on the west. Ekron and Gath : the east and cities, the former thirty miles north-west, the lat Philistine three west, from Jerusalem. Bethel. he latter twentytwelve miles. Gilgal : between Jericho and of Jerusalem about twenty miles north-east of Jerusalem. Ramah, five miles from Jerusalem, nearly north. Amorites: a remnant of the Canaanites that originally inhabited this region.

1. A Grfat Revival.-Ver. 3.-Samuel spake they had paid little attention before, but now they attended to his words. If ye do return : in their hearts they
were turning to God, and now they were to sh Serve Him only, : they were to were to show it openly. taroth, and sacrifice and pray to God only. All reformations
are deceitful that do not affect the outward life. He will
deliver you: if we turn to God, God will deliver you: if we turn to God, God will deliver us!
Ver. 4.-Put away Baalim and Ashtaroth: the plural form is used : referring to the different characters under which they were worshipped. Our people do not make images: but they follow pride, and vain fashions, and pleasure, and greed of wealth (Eph. $5: 5$ ); without an image; but none the less a breaking of God's commandments.
Ver.
ver. 5.-Gather all Israel to Mizpeh : Mizpeh here was different from Mizpeh in Gilead, the home of Jephthah.
(Judg. II.) It was a few miles (Judg. II.) It was a few miles westward of Jerusalem. He lived very near you: Samuel's prayers were often heard. in Jer. $15:$ I to Moses. iv Jer. $15:$ I to Moses.
to renew their covenant with God the main purpose was to renew their covenant with God : but I have no doubt
they came with such rude weap they came with such rude weapons as they possessed in their distressed state. (See 13: 19.) Drew water, and poured it out : pouring out water before the Lord was an act of worship, and the sign of a covenant ; that just as the water could not be gathered up again, so the covenant and promise should never be recalled. It is supposed to have been onefred Fasted: much practio in Is. 12:3, and John 7:37. Fanfession and practised in old times, in connection with We hava prayer. We have sinned: they made confession. Confession is the first step toward obtaining deliverance. Samuel judged: the assembly continued for some time-long and Samuel would fortines to get together to attack them!: Moses had; Ex. 18:13) many judicial causes to decide (as II -He, Ex. 18:13)
went Help from the Lord.-Philistines heard. went up against Israel : they would look upon it as revolt. "But it was bad policy for the Philistines to make war upon Israel, at a time when Israel was making peace with God."-Matthew Henry. Afraid of the Philistines : their fear led them to cry for help. This fear was Vetter than the confident shouting in ch. 4:5.
but God Himself they trusted ind : it was not the ark now, but God Himself they trusted in. That He will save us: God could only save them; and it was happy for them o know it. So with us; for we have many spiritual enemies.
Ver.
Ver. 9.-A burnt-offering: Samuel, acting for the Whole nation, offered a sucking lamb for a sacrifice. Wholly: it was all consumed on the altar. Sacrifice a symbol of the offering of Jesus Christ, was always conThe Lord in the Old Testament with prayer and acceptance. The Lord heard him: his prayer was accepted, and Ver.
was praying and sacrificing, the enemy came upon them was praying and sacrificing, the enemy came upon them. ode, had for seen such deliverances $(2: 10)$. Smitten before Israel; yet not by Israel's sword : they fled from the presence of the Lord. Israel only pursued.
Ver. II.-Pursued the Philistines, and smote them : the enemy being discomfited (Ver. Io), it was easy
to follow up their fight to follow up their fight and destroy them. Under Bethtar the remaing pasture hill. Porter supposes it to be Beit. far, the remains of a village three miles north-west of Bethhemish.
Ver. I2.-Samuel took a stone: in a nation with
little learning and few books, such memorials would keep these great deliverances in memory. Between Mizpeh and Shen : that is, "between Mizpeh and the Iooth." Some high pointed rock so called. (Comp. "The Needles," Land's End, England.) Eben-ezer: the "Stone of Help." The name of the stone, and the citcumstances connected with its erection, would always cling to it.
III. Peace and Prosperity.-Ver. I3.-The Philis. tines were subdued: this defeat seemed to break their
power for a long time. All the days of power for a long time. All the days of Samuel: as Samuel died, we must understand "the days of Samuel" as meaning the time of his active judgeship, before his sons had authority.
were recovered. Not probably Ekron : the frontier places but all the cities betzeen them. The coasts thereof: i.e., the boundaries or limits. Every city had outlying fields. Peace: for some years there was peace with the nations and tribes around. Strange that the people were so slow to learn that peace and prosperity could only be en. joyed when they served God
his life: in his old age he mad Israel all the days of his life : in his old age he made his sons judges ; and Saul was king a number of years before Samuel died. Yet Sam uel had much authority as long as he lived.
o Ber. 16.-From year to year in circuit : he went to Bethel and Gilgal and Mizpeh, hearing causes and direct. ing public affairs. All these were in the south, and not very far apart. It would hardly seem that his authority extended far to the north. Perhaps they had sadly drifted away into idolatry there.
Ver. 17.-His return was to Ramah : he lived public worship. We hear nothing of the there an altar for uel was the centre and leader of the religion of the nation. practical lessons.
I. Sin, like the Philistines, will always oppose us ; but, if we keep close by the sacrificial Lamb, it shall not overcome us. (Ver. 10.)
2. In every great revival, God's enemies become active.
(Ver. 7.)
3. Danger brings the soul near to God. (Ver. 8.) And
danger unites God's people.
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ROOM ROR THE CHILDREN.
Iot tho litllo childzon como To a Saviour's broast 1 Littlo souls feol wearinoss. Lillle hearts need rest.

Jesus wants a ting hand In tho harvost feld,
To tho tonoh of fiugers amall, Giant hearts may yiuld.

Jesue wants a baly voico, Praiges sweet to sing ; Earth's discordant chorusos Shaming, silcuciag,

Yorinps amidst the crowding throng. No ono elso might seo That somo littlo faces asked
"Is thero room for mo 9 "
Heavon is full of little once,
God's great nursery,
Where the tairest Dowers of earth bloom eternally.

## THE STORY OF THE CROSS.

Listen : this is the story of the cross. God made this world. He loved it. He made it just right. He made everything in it happs, and only asked one thing of the people in it that they should mind Him. If they did, they should always stay happy; if they did not, they must die. And in spite of all this kindness, they chose to cross His love; they broke His laws, they would not mind. Then it was right that they should die.

But still God loved His world. He so loved it that He spared out of heaven His only son, Jesus Uhrit, to come down here and, of His own choice, to die instead of us. He lived here thirty-three years, just like us, and loved and holped everybody. But the perpile hated Him. They made a cross of rood; they nailed Him on it, by those tender hands and feet; there they crucifed Him. We, the people of this wicked world deserved death; He never did. But He was punished instead of us. Therefore, He has the right to save the very worst of us from being punished, if we only believe that He will do it.
It was not possible fur the Son of God to stay dead. He is risen. He is in heaven now, But He wants you, every one of you, to be with Him; and if, when the time comes for you to die, you are still bad, still will not mind, and have not helieved in this Saviour, who, for the sake of His love and wuffring would save you, remember He will ask you, very sadly," Oh, why did you not believe the story of the cross ?"

## HINDOO GIRLS AND THEIR DOLLS.

Once a year, just lefore the Dasserah festival, the little Hinduo girls destroy their dolls. The girls dress thenselves in the brightest colours, and march through the busy bazanars of the city and along ruads shaded by overhanging mango or sissoo trens, till they come to water-probably a large tank built by some pious Hindoo. A crowd of men and women follow them. Reund the tank are feathe:y bamioos, plantains with there broad, hanging leaves, and mango-trees, and on every side are flights of steps leading down to the water.

Down tho stops the littlo baro foet go; and taking a last look at thoir favourito dolls, they toss them into the water. No Hindoo girl has such a family of dolls as many of our readers havo in this country. But her dolls cost very little, and so the lost one is easily replaced. They are mado of rags, or more generally of mud or clay, cried in the sun or laked in an oven, and rudely daubed with paint. An English doll is a marvel to a Hindoo girl. The fair hair, blue oyes, pretty face, and the clothes that are put on and taken off, fill her with wonder. In some of the mis-sion-schools the scholars get presents at Christmas, and the girls get dolls, to their great delight.

## THE POWER OF A CHILD'S LOVE. <br> How many doeds of kinduess <br> $\Delta$ littlo cliud may do, <br> Although it has so littlo strength, <br> Aud hattle wisdont too ! <br> It wants a loring spirit <br> Much more than strongth, to proro <br> How many thinge a child may do For others, by its love. <br> FRANIKLINS ECONOMY.

When Benjamin Franklin started in busiiness for himself as printer, boukseller, etc., a man who was in the same line of business stepped into Franklin's shop one day and said: "I am determined to drive you out of the trade." "Stop" ' said Franklin; " see if you can do it. Do you see that?" he said, directirg his attention to a black loaf made of barley, "that is what I eat, and." pointing to a glass of water. "that is what I drink, and when you can live upon less than these you can drive me out, and not before." The result of the experiment is well known; Franklin's economy and industry secured fur him an easy victory.

## things muney cannot buy.

We sometimes think that money is omnipotent, that it can purchase for us every good thing. This is a great mistake. Money cannot buy the love. It often wins its semblance. summer friends swarm around him who rolls in wealth, but the love of a muther, the fidelity of a father, the affection of a sister, the sympathy of a brother, the tiust of a friend, are never bought with gold.

Moncy camnot bring contentment, and "Our content is our best having." Money, alone, will not secure for us a good education. A rich man, who had neglected his early opportunities, was heard to say, sadly: "I would give all my wealth for a thorough education and a well-trained mind." But his money and his riches were alike unavailing. Plenty of moncy will not oí itself ensure culture and gentility, yet next to Christian gmees and robust health nothing is so desirable as refincment, and pleasing. self-possessed manners. The wealth of a Crosus could not give a peaceful conscience. Sin scourges the soul of tho rich as surely as the soul of the poor. The poorest boy or girl, who has "always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men," is richer than the richest with a "conscience seared as with a hot iron." A good character is more precious than gold.

Yot monoy is not to bo dospised. If we have it lot us excopt it as God's gift, and use it, not so much for our own pleasure as for the boniofit of others. If wo have it not let us believo that for our own good it has beon with. hold from us. But, whethor wo have it or not, lot us romomber that it cannot purchase love, contentmont, education, culturo, refine ment, nor a good conscience, and that it will not secure for us either peace, purity, holiness, or heavon.

## ARAE COURAGE.

The courage of the Bedouin is one of their most lauded virtues, but ono which within the present century has not been conspicuously vindicated. I have seon more than once : tribe on a raid, and have heard more than one tale of Bedouin battles. As a rule, the bul. letin seems to bo to the following effect: "We bravely attacked the enemy, which made tio appearance in a force of one to our ten. We took several prisoners, and the enemy losi heavily, two horses and several cows being slain. At length his remaining forces with. drew, and we found our casualities to include one mare hurt in the leg with a spear. We cut off the forefingers of our prisoners in rememberance of those of our tribe whose beards and hair had been cut off on a forme: occasion, and letting them go, drove off the captured camels, and endeavoured to conces as far as possible the direction of our victor. ious retreat." Such are the deeds which 1 have heard recounted, and although men are sometimes slain in battle, and Fahed en Nims has legs which have been peppered with sma.' shot, it must be remembered that to initiate a blood feud is a most serious circumstance it tribe life, and that the whole policy of the leaders will for many years be directed to the healing of the breach thus caused, and to the settlement of blood money. When a disagree ment occurs between two tribes thoy will gather their spearmen, concentrate their en campment, and square up, so to speak, toward each other, and they generally contrive, lefore matters come to an open breach, to tinds third party willing to mediate, and a com promise is established to the great relief of ths bold warriors on either side.

## JAPANESE FOLITENLSS.

In true courtesy of manner among all clasis of life, no people in the world equal the Jap, anese. The most common burden bearer in the streets, on helping himself to a drink d water at the shop door, renders his thanks to the benevolent shop-kecper with a grace and dignity unrivalled by the prince. Exhibitions of brutal violence between man and man are seldom witnessed. Even children at phar very seldom so forget the usages of good socicty as to treat each other with violesi and angry roughness. Self-restraint and outward deference to the proprieties of life is ever characteristic of the Japanese in ever grade of society.

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