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THE Christ whom we preach must be the full Curist of the Gospel—not the ideal, but the historic Christ; not a Christ of one's own invention and handiwork, but the Christ whom the believing Church of all ages con fesses and adores as her own. - Van Oosterzee.

Be reserved, but not sour, grave, but not formal; bold, but not rash; humble, but not servile; petient, but not insensible; constant, but not obstituate; cheerful, but not light, rather be sweet-tempered than familiar; familiar raths because intimate; and intimate with very few, and upon good grounds.

No man's spirits were ever hurt by doing his duty. On the contrary, one good action, one temptation resisted and overcome, one one temptation resisted and overcome, one sacrifice of desire of interest, purely for conscience sake, will prove a cordial for weak and low spirits beyond what either indulgence or diversion can do for them.

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THERE is not life which in the past has testified to the power and beauty of the Gospel, but what lives to day and shall continue in our future, unfolding life. There has been no shrinking from duty or sluggishness but what has left its impress on us; and on the other hand, no gift, no act of self-denial, which does not still wirk in us as a beneficient power -R. S. Storre

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A PAPAL ambassador is now on his way from Rome for Montreal to make a satisfactory set lement of the difficulties between Laval and Victoria Universities.

THE St. Louis "Presbyterian" 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 have thus diminished the patronage of the brewery, besides failing to pay it for supplies hitherto furnished.

LAST week two young women, factory operatives from Cornwall, hired a conveyance on arriving at the railway station, Montreal, and asked to be driven to a lodging house. 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 infamy 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 cities. The punishment 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 he 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 pereisted in introducing ritualistic practices and sacerdotal doctrine, says the church actually assembled in the old "Friends' meeting-house," for some time closed because the Friends 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 it bids fair to become altogether sacerdotal, so strong is the increasing tendency, in which case we shall have many of the Free Liturgical Churches."

THE British Association for the Advancement of Science, assembled at Southport, passed a unanimous resolution in favour of holding its next meeting at Montreal. Last year it was decided by a majority to meet at Montreal, but there was considerable opposition which has now disappeared, and it is gratifying to learn on the authority of a telegram from Principal Dawson, of McGill College that the British Association have voted unanimously to meet next year in Montreal. The American Association have fixed their meeting at Philadelphia on the 3rd September, a week later than the meeting of their British confrères at Montreal, that there may be an interchange 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 Dominion will be an important event in its history.

An elder of the Free Church, in Aberdeen, erected a canopy on the lawn adjoining his suburban residence, where seats for 1,200 persons were provided, and a a missionary convention was held. The canopy was found large enough for the morning session, but in the afternoon large numbers were compelled to find seats on the lawn outside, and in the evening the greater part of the lawn was covered with an audience numbering about 5,000. Think, says the "Foreign Misclonary," of the proprietor of some Saratoga hotel execting such a tent on his lawn for a foreign missionary meeting, and what is, perhaps, stranger still, think of such an audience of Americans 1,200 in the morning, a larger number in the afternoon, and 5,000 in the evening, turning out to hear speeches or foreign missions! Interest in missionary enterprise is growing in Canada, it is, however, capable of indennite expansion,

At the coloured convention in Louisville Fred. Douglas, in a speech, said. "Now that we 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 coloured man is an oppressed and abject race in the United States. Trades unions refuse him admission; mechanics refuse him as an apprentice. Our business is to organize for our rights and for redress of our 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 attributed the degradation of our race. Elevate one of our class to be Vice-President or to a position in the Cabinet, 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.

It is open to suspicion that the senseless habit of carrying deadly weapons is growing and not diminishing in Canada. Several of the murders recently committed would not have occurred but for this absurd practice of carrying revolvers. A man of irritable temper, not only blazes up in a passion, but in his excitement he is pretty sure to fire off the weapon he foolishly believes it is for his advantage to carry about with him. The other day two trate 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 fire-arms? In the old coaching days when highwaymen made a pastime of robbing mails and passengers, the precaution was not unreasonable. The street car of modern civilization is not exposed to highway robbery, and there is no necessity for lives being endangered by reckless car-drivers carrying revolvers.

THE cruel, irrational, and unjustifiable way in which funerals are conducted receives occasionally a practical protest. George F. Barstow of San Francisco, who left an estate valued at \$80,000, gave these injunctions in his will. " Having observed that ostentation and expensive funerals 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, without paint or varnish. with plain iron handles, and all else about the funeral to correspond with this plainness. Let there be a cheap shroud and no flowers. What is a dead man but a handful of dust. Instead of a hearse I may just as well 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 Beck, is advanced in years, and steps are now being taken for the appointment of his successor. The Society of Jesus is divided into five grand provinces. that of Italy, which comprises Rome, the kingdom of Naptes, Sicily, and Turin, and numbers 1,553 Jesuit fathers, Germany, embracing Austria Hungary, Belgium, Gallicia, Germany and the Netherlands, counts 2,875 Jesuits, France, which also includes the French colonies, is served by 2,978 members of the society; Spain, including Mexico, numbers 1,933 Sons of St. Ignatius, finally, the English province, which include the colonies and dependencies of the British impire, and also the United States, possesses 1,394 Jesuits. This makes, therefore, a total for the year 1832 of 11,398 Jesuits, priests, professors, or 189 brothers. In 1379 the society numbered 10,229, in 1880, 10,494; and in 1881, 10,792.

THE course of Monseignor Capel in the United States has not been one of undimmed splendour. The flattering receptions accorded him at watering places and the admiration with which he was greeted when he appeared on platforms have not prevented keen critical eyes from looking through this pinchbeck apostle of modern Romanism. Dr. Fulton, of the Centennial Baptist Church, Brooklyn, has delivered

a lecture on Monseignor Capel which has produced a sensation. It abounds in plain speaking, as will be seen by the following extract: "In America we know all that is implied in the confession; it means much more than I can say in this presence. He says, nuns say there is no paradise like a nunnery. The testimony of women who have fled from them as they would flee from a burning Sodom, and the reports of committees who have investigated many of them will not be forgotten, no matter what Monsignor Capel may say."

THE Rev. Edwin Francis Hatfield, D.D., Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, died in New York on the 22nd ult. This 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 fruitful ministry in the best sense of the expression. Many now living in different parts of this continent, and beyond 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 eminently 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. Hatfield was a frequent contributor to religious papers and magazines. A life of industry has been crowned by a calm and happy death, and the name of Edwin F. Hatfield will long be held 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 see 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 Christianity, it

uld 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 whom the Lord and his cause are indebted, is as offensive to Christian good taste as it is baseless in sound reason.

WERKLY HEALTH 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 week. Hence we again take pleasure in chronicling the continued prevalence of an unusually healthy period in all parts of the Province. In such periods diseases of a chronic or lingering character always appear comparatively prominent. Diseases of the respiratory organs, such as Bronchitis and Influenza, retain much of their prevalence, the former, however, showing some tendency to advance. Amongst 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 week. Amongst the six most prevalent discases, Fever Enteric shows the same degree of prevalence as last week, and has, on the whole, been of a severe type. Amongst the contagious Zymotics (excluding Enteric Fever) there is little worthy of notice. excepting the continued endemicity of Whooping Cough in some localities. Scarlatina has been likewise endemic in one or two places. Diphtoeria shows a tendency to advance, especially in District VI., north-western Ontario. Diseases having Diarrheea as a prominent sign are still widespread in provalence, but they are showing a considerable decline in degree of prevalence,

BUR CONTRIBUTORS.

"FIFTY YEARS IN THE CHURCH OF ROME."

MR. EDITOR,—The 21st of this month will be the fiftleth anniversary of my ordination as a priest of Rome, in the Cathedral of Quebec, by Bishop Signay.

When I consider what my merciful God has done for me since that day, I have no words to say what I feel. 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 their hearts and their tongues, to love and praise Him as He deserves.

Who will ever tell the tears dried, the broken hearts consoled, the desolate homes filled with joy, when our merciful God, through his most unprofitable servant, had, from 1838 to 1850, enrolled under the banners of temperance more than 200,000 French Canadians? That all the distilleries and breweries except one were stopped, all the rum shops and taverns shut, and the cursed intoxicating 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 life. 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 hideous 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 gift—was 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 Atlantic, to the Columbia River on the Pacific Ocean, it has been my privilege since to proclaim the beauty—the splendours of the gift to hundreds of thousands of my countrymen. And more than thirty thousand of them are now walking in the light and the joy of an eternal salvation!

More than that, my merciful God has taken me by the hand to the antipodes. I have proclaimed His eternal love not only in the Sandwich Islands, but in New Zealand, Tasmania, and in the marvellous land of Australia.

Now, that I have entered into my seventy-fifth year, I hear the steps of the angel of God sent to tell me. "Come, make haste—the Master calls thee."

But, before answering the solemn appeal, I have a duty to perform. It is to unite my feeble voice to the old propher's, and say to the children 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 many eminent Christians of Europe and America, I have written what I have seen and heard when inside the walls of the great Babylon, who is drunk with the blood of the saints, during the fifty years I was a slave of the Pope, and particularly during the twenty-five years I was a priest of that modern paganism.

I do not exaggerate when I say that that book will be the most interesting ever published 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 mind of the young and timid child is fettered, enslaved, paraized, to the degradation of the priest under the iron heel of the bishop, everything is revealed to the world as it has never been. The superstitions, the rediculous and humiliating practices, the terrible mental agenies of the priests, the monks, and the nuns, with the blind abnegation, the awful self-denial of many of them, are exposed as they never were before. The sophisms and errors of Rome are discussed, exposed, and refuted, I dare say, with a clearness, simplicity, and

evidence which my twenty-five years of priesthood alone could give me. It is not in boasting that I say this. There cannot be any boasting in my having been so many years a priest of Rome, it is the contrary. My heart is unspeakably sad when I think 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 tied to the feet of the Pope, there is, to-day, for me an advantage in that, which no living man, probably, does possess. It has given me an opportunity of knowing Rome more thoroughly than any living Protestant has ever had. Who knows if God has not left me so many years in the dark dungeons and formidable fortresses of the Pope that I might reveal to the world the untold, unsuspected and awful mysterius of degradation and slavishness of popery? The secret of the power of Rome is in the strange and universal ignorance, not only of the Roman Catholics, but of the Protestants, about the realities of her impostures, dark plots, theological anti-social teachings, unmentionable corruption, and of her implacable hatred againts all the rights of man.

Rome is a never-ceasing conspiracy against every kind of authority, power, and government, in order to raise itself on their ruins.

Consequently, I have thought it was a sacred duty on my part to reveal 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 I offer to the disciples of Christ is an arsenal as they never got, filled with the best weapons they ever had to fight and conquer their implacable foe—Rome. The learned and well-known Dr. Badenoch, of London, who has kindly reviewed my manuscript, has just written to a friend:

"I do not think there is a Protestant book more thrilling in interest and more important at the present time. It is not only full of incidents, but also of arguments on the side of truth with all classes of Romanmanists, from the bishop to the curc. I 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 published in England."

The venerable, learned, and so well-known Dr. Kemp, for these last years principal of the Young Ladies' College of Ottawa, has written to a friend;

"Understanding that it is Kev. Mr. Chiniquy's intention to ask the aid of his friends in the countries he has visited since he is a Protestant to publish his book, "Fifty Years in the Church of Kome, I hope he will have no difficulty in obtaining the assistance he requires.

"He has submitted every chapter to me, and I have read it with care, and with the deepest interest, and I commend it to the public favour in the highest terms.

"It is the *only* book I know that gives anything like a full and authentic account of the *inner working* of the papacy on this continent, and so effectively unmasks its pretences to sanctify.

"Besides the most interesting biographical incidents, it also contains incisive relutations of the most plausible assumptions and deadily errors of the Komish Church.

"It is well fitted to awaken Protestants to the insidious designs of this arch enemy of their faith and liberties, and to rouse them to a decided opposition.

"It is written in a kindly spirit, does not indulge in denunciations, and, while speaking the truth, it does so in love. Its style is lively, and its English good, with only a little flavour of the author's native French."

it would be easy to give a longer list of the kind appreciation of that book, but these two are sufficient, I hope. But this work, which has cost me ten years of labour, will be a grand octavo, containing more than 700 pages; and its printing is too expensive for my limited means. I must ask the help of my lifends in Canada and elsewhere, to publish it, not as a loan of a gift, but as the price of the volume, which cannot be less than \$5

By sending that small sum in a post-office order or a registered letter, every one of my Christian brethren and sisters will soon have the book forwarded to them by mail.

The book, whose title is "Fifty Years in the Church of Rome," will be sent gratis to every weekly or daily newspaper which will have the kindness to reproduce this letter. The same thing will be done to those who will send me \$40 from eight subscribers.

C. CHINIQUY.
Sl. Anne, Kankakee Co.,nous, soth . epi., 1883.

A REPLY TO MR. PARLANE.

MR EDITOR, - Mr Parlane is evidently angry, and I am very sorry my letter should have produced such an effect upon a gentleman, who, in his right mind, is always most gentle and courteous. I leave your readers to juige whether my letter overstepped the bounds of fair criticism, and those who were impartial hearers at the believers' meeting will know whether my report contains either "false statements" or "cunning insinuations." Mr. Parlane says my false statements were so numerous it would be wearisome to refute them in detail. Surely he might at least have found better specimens than those quoted; for his attempted re buttal of the statements he calls false only serves to establish 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 fruit. I say that his memory is at fault, for he emphasized the fact that only a fourth of the field was fruitful; but in the name of common sense what difference does it make for his argument whether he said the seed or the field. Surely the proportion of fruitful seed must have equalled the proportion of fruitful 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 he 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. Will Mr. Parlane deny that he 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 Christendom" or the saints who were at the beginning of the Church's history called out from the world? Will he deny that the woman means the mother of harlots? Now, if he cannot deny these statements, how 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 how 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.

Your readers will see that a new element is brought into view in the interpretation given to the three measures of meal- it is only three parts of Christendom that is to be leavened by the mother of harlots. Toat is an admission which Mr. Parlane would not have made had he noticed that it will not apply to the parable of the mustard seed, and that it is also fatal to the whole theory of premillenarian interpretation. Your readers will notice that Mr. Parlane evades the discussion of that part of my letter referring to the meaning of the term "kingdom 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 study over the letter a little longer, he will not only understand what I said, but see the utter untenableness of his interpretation. Is he aware I woulder that the expression "the kingdom in mystery" is not scriptural but a phrase coined by the Plymouthists to meet the exigencies of their case? The "mysteries of the kingdom" is the term used in Math. xili., and the meaning of the word mystery there is plainly "the unfolding of what had long been promised, but kept hidden." The other term is unscriptural and irrational, and I would like very much to have from some of these friends who profess special enlighten ment a clear definition of what they mean by it and on what scriptures they base their views I know Mr. Fatlane does not see it, but of course I cannot blame him for his ignorance, but some day he will see, probably, as many others who began at his present standpoint, that the logical result of his interpretation of the parables of the kingdom is the Plymouthistic cry, "come out and be separate."

M1. Farlane goes on to say that I am profoundly ignorant of dispensational truth, but he does not blame me for that because "we were all equally ignorant until divine grace enlightened our understanding." I will translate here again . being "profoundly ignorant" means refusing to agree with M1. Parlane, and being "enlightened" means renouncing the simple and plain teaching of God's Word for the foolish theories of a 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? 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.

PRESBYTER.

ABJURATION OF A PRIEST OF ROME.

To Cardinal McClosky:

SIR,—As you are the representative of the Pope on this continent, I must address you the present docu-

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:

1st. 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.

3rd. 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 she forced us to address the following prayer to Mary in the Breviarium: Accipe quod offerrimus, 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 MANITOWANING.

MR. EDITOR,—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 after gain in reaping and garnering the precious grain.

Manitowaning, 15th September, 1883. D. DUFF.

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 contend-viz: the qualification of applicants. Formerly the sum necessary to qualify for aid was at the rate of \$4 50 per member and \$7 per family. Now it is \$4 50 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 or opinion.

Here will be another difficulty. Suppose a congregation make application for a grant whose contributions do not quite come up to \$4 50 per member, but exceed -not \$7 per family merely, but-\$10 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 \$4 50 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 percent. 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 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 recognition 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 tamiliar 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

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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 7th 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 10th of December, 1854; and a member of this congregation since the 10th 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 life, 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, 4th Sept., 1883.

Session Clerk.

Pastor and Phople.

LIGHT AT EVENTIDE.

Round us in the stillness 'preading, Comes the night. Mortal ears can't hear the treading Of her footsteps, soft and light.

Dusky veil that shades the valleys, Brioging rest; Shadowy glooms in greenwood alleys. Twilight dreamings, sweet and blest.

All the day-time cares are ended, And instead, Now by unseen bands attended, Far, in fancy, we are led.

Misty forms of mystic seeming
Hover near;
Memory's myriad tapers gleaming
Light old scenes and make them dear—

Morn's vain hopes, and noon's stern sorrows, Tears and cares; Days of toiling, and to-morrow's Bringing less of wheat than tares.

And the chequered, varied pages Of life's book Seem a tea whose calms and rages Now the tired heart cannot brook.

Evening calm! ah, best and purest Time of peace; Soothing balm, when Hope is surest, To bid all vain doubting cease.

Pointing on, when near and pleasant, Rest awaits; When we leave this weary present And have gained the pearly gates.

And as evening shadows, creeping, Gather round Dim eyes, worn so weak with weeping, Learn to smile as peace is found.

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 smile,
Earnest of the eternal morning
After this brief" little while."

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"I HAVE SEEN JESUS."

Such was the reply of a poor, half-witted young man, of whom the late Dr. Bushaeil tells us, when he was asked as to a wonderful change in his life and conduct. He was generally looked upon as almost, if not quite an idiot. And in addition to his natural disadvantages he was deep in the vices of drunkenness and profaneness, and so weak 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 hope. And yet from that hour, as Dr. Bushnell tells us, he was entirely changed, and evidently became a new creature; and on through the succeeding years of his life he was serious and faithful as a consistent follower of the Saviour. All his vicious habits were 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 saved of his little earnings that he might give to the objects of benevolence. His life was evidently a new and a truly Christian life.

When he was asked by friends to explain the wonderful change which they all witnessed, and how it has that he was able to give up his profaneness and drunkenness, and to live so entirely in a different way from that in which he had formerly lived, his uniform and childlike reply was, "Why, I have seen Jesus!" This was his only explanation, and it was given with all the simplicity of a little 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 mysteries 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 touching appeal. He was not led to the cross by the urgent kindness of Christian friends, for no one seemed to have thought of him as within the scope of personal religious influence. But, as he said, "He has seen Yesus," and that gave him not only peace, but power—power so to live 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 assured of beholding at last the Saviour's glory, and having a place with him in the heavenly world.

How wonderful the power, how transforming the influence of an experimental sight of Jesus! 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 that with Paul we may be able to say, "For me to live is Christ!" Not only in the heavenly world, but here also on earth, "we shall be like Him" in proportion as, by faith, "we see Him as He is."

—Philadelphia Presbytery.

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, the voice is affected more than may be supposed. It may not be of much use to warn the enslaved victim of tobacco to give it up, having, as a general principle, lost much decision of character by its degracing influences, but it may be well to warn the young who may be willing to receive advice from older persons. The effect on the voice may be a 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 harsh, thick, husky mumbling, and insonorous voice of the confirmed tobacco user."
Prof. Mussy says: "The habitual 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 attainments in medical science men of experience and observation, is entitled to consideration.—Golden Rule.

HE KEPT THE SABBATH.

An incident is mentioned in Mr. Hamilton's "Memoir of Lady Calquhoun," which is highly creditable to Sir George Sinclair, and may be appropriately quoted now that so much is said on the Sabbath question. Sir George, being then at Brighton, was 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 how much consideration your majesty enters into the feelings and sympathies and wishes of those whom you honour with your friendship I have for some time past been led to entertain very different notions from those I 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 laid down with respect to its importance. Encouraged by the latitude of discussion which your Majesty has so long and so kindly vouchsafed, I lately took the liberty, though in opposition to your Majesty's opinion, to maintain that not merely a part but the whole of this day should be devoted to those great purposes for which divine authority has set it apart. I may be permitted to add from grateful experience, that this decision has its reward 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 consolation for all our troubles. I feel bound, by principles of conscience, to deny myself what is always one of my most valued gratifications, that of paying my most humble and most affectionate respects this day; and must rest satisfied with renewing in my retirement those earnest supplications for your Majesty's health and happiness which are equally dictated by regard for the public welfare, and by a thankfully cherished temembrance of much distinguished and unmerited kindness."

Mr. Hamilton adds: "The sequel was no less worthy of the King. Next morning while they were seated round the breakfast 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 beyond even his usual urbanity and kindness, and to the close of his reign no interruption occurred in a friendship equally honourable to the accomplished commoner, and to the frank and warmhearted monarch."

GOOD COMPANY.

One evening a lady of New York, while on her way home at a late hour without an escort, was approached by a lewd fellow, as the boat on which they rode neared the landing, who asked:

"Are you alone?" "No, sir," was the reply; and, without further interruption, when the boat touched she jumped off. "I thought you were alone," said 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; I am never alone!"

This arrow pierced the villain's heart, 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.

EATING AND DRINKING UNWORTHILY.

See I Cor. xi. 27. We are accustomed to say that the apostle's teaching on this subject gives great trouble to those who are timid and of tender conscience. We should better say: Our own wrong reading, or wrong interpretation, brings us into trouble. Let one who has feared condemnation because of his personal unworthiness, read the apostle's words again. Does he say anything on this head of personal unworthiness? 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, myself, am nothing at all; But Jesus Christ is all in all."

Other foundation can no man lay. Here only can we rest. But the reader will notice that the word used is the adverb, "unworthily," not the adjective, "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 manner, a manner so wrong that the whole ordinance was perverted or lost in their action. Verse 20 says:- "When ye come together, this is not to eat the Lord's Supper.' The margin says :- "ye cannot eat." The new version says :-" When, therefore, ye assemble yourselves together, it is not possible to eat the Lord's Supper; for (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 partaking the apostle saw the fault. He was talking of the change 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 visions. Thus the idea of "communion" was lost. Again some had nothing, and remained "hungry"; others are and drank to access, so that some were drunken." There was the eating and drinking 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 few questions:-Do those lines-

"I myself, am nothing at all; But Jesus Christ is all in all"-

describe your feelings and faith? If so you are welcome to the Lord's Supper. Come, "looking to Jesus." Let this, and all parts of Christian life be made up of "looking to Jesus." This is safe! But now—"In thinking of the Lord's Supper, how do I regard it? Is it to satisfy my bodily hunger?" If you go for that purpose you will eat and drink unworthily. "Do I intend any change in the kind or quantity of elements? Do I mean to make it a great feast, instead of a simple memorial?" 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 not "eat and drink unworthily."—Central Presbyterian.

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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 him to the work in India on Friday evening, of this week. On the 17th inst. Mr. Jamieson will be set apart for the work in Formosa by the Presbytery of Barrie. We bespeak for these young missionaries the earnest prayers of God's people. They leave 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 ourselves 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 wen and the money are coming. May all that we have yet done be but a drop before the shower.

WE 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 that 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 sympathy 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 should 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 MANY an ill-deserved sneer has been indused in at the expense of the good Old Country people who abhor the "paper minister." Experience may yet show that the old people are right as they often are. Many quite modern and fashionable teople now denounce the use of the manuscript in just as vir prous terms as were ever used by a covenanter. Dr. Hoge of Richmond, 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." "Christian at-Work"—a journal of liberal and advanced opinions but thoroughly sound on the "fundamentals "-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 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 way 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 RELIGION.

BY instruction of the General Assembly the Moderator, the Rev. Dr. King, has a sued 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 and earth. The influence of religion in the sacred home-circle is beneficial in the highest degree; its neglect is to often attended with the saddest results.

The argument for the maintenance 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 bust-Then various reasons are stated why this ling age. 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 many 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 the finest 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 no 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 greater 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 influence 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. 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. Philanthropists who are influenced mainly by sentimental considerations generally favour the abolition of the death penalty. However plate sible the theories propounded, their value and correct ness can only be tested by experience.

The protection of human life is one of the chief objects why law exists. The mode of punishment is best that is most effective in securing this object. At 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 of great atrocity. The humane spirit of modern juris prudence recognizes that a just penalty does not require 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 punish ment merited by his offence. Many excellent people have a repugnance to the infliction of the death p maity for any offence. Hence in several of the United States and in Switzerland imprisonment for life has been substituted. The opinion 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 repugnant to the principles of justice and shocking to the better feelings 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 appropriate penalty for murder.

The criminal convicted of murder is from that moment regarded as dead socially. Those guilty of other crimes have a future in which hope can still whisper some encouragement. Possibilities of better things are not excluded, but the unhappy being whom the law brands with the mark of Cain, henceforth, so far as this life is concerned, enters on a dark and gloomy 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 cut short by the public executioner, or the term of life extended through long years of gloom in a dreary cell, no one is bold enough to propose that the willul murderer should be again let loose upon society.

The substitution of life imprisonment for the death penalty has vindicated neither its wisdom nor its 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 Philadelphia who would venture to argue that imprisonment for life is a more humane punishment than the sharp and speedy infliction of the death penalty.

At the recent meeting of the American Social Science Association, held at Saratoga, Professor Wayland read a paper on capital punishment. The professor is strongly opposed 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 with 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 occurrence 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 Nibilist the Communist, and the Invincible avow their belief in the necessity of political assassination. In the largest cities of this continent where the criminal classes congregate human life is held very cheap.

Professor Wayland shows conclusively that the uncertainty of punishment for the crime of murder is an incentive to its frequent commission. A criminal who can command influence and money may calculate that he will escape the scaffold. He may be sentenced to a term of imprisonment, and after the popular interest has subsided the clemency of the executive will be invoked and the murderer walks out free amon; his fellow-men. The man who shot James Fisk in a New York hotel, belonged to an influential and wealthy family. 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 guilt are conclusive the culprit hears the welcome words of manumission "not guilty." In cases where the penalty is imprisonment for life, it is rarely carried out. In the State of Connecticut between 1850 and 1860 fifty 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 plain that society having a regard to its own well-being cannot afford to let so large a proportion of murderers escape as from various causes thay do now with impunity.

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THE subject of Professor McLaren's lecture at the opening of Knox College to-day will be "Calvinism and its relations to other Theistic systems."

Books and Magazines.

ST. NICHOLAS. (New York: The Century Co.)
The October number, containing the usual variety of
excellent reading in prose and poetry, handsomely illustrated with the best style of engravings, completes
another volume of this universal favourite with loung
readers.

HARPER'S YOUNG FOLKS. (New York. Harper and Brothers.) A weekly magazine most admirably adapted, by its uniformly excellent and varied readingmatter and tasteful and beautiful illustrations, to in struct and delight its enormous circle of youthful readers.

FRANK LESLIE'S SUNDAY MAGAZINE. T. De Witt Talmage, D.D., Editor. (New York: Mrs. Frank Leslie.)-The nineth paper on "Religious Denominations in the United States" opens the October number of this increasingly excellent publication. The denomination whose position and tenets are described is that popularly known as "The Disciples." A portrait of its American pioneer, Rev. Alexander Campbell, is one of several illustrations that give an added interest to the sketch. There is a contribution of much excellence enhanced by appropriate illustrations or "The Life and character of General Robert L. Lee." Among other contributions deserving special mention are "The Kingdom of Cho-sen." "Sacred musicians of the Nineteenth Century,-Franz Liszt, by Affreton Harvey; a new story "Aunt Deborah's Spare-Room," by Harriet Brown; "Mount-Vesuvius and Around Naples, by Ellen M. Fogg; "Among the Natives of the North, by Lieut. Frederick Schwatka, U.S.A; "Mr. Burke's Nieces "-continued; and a sermon and an article on "Shams in Religion" by the editor. A profusion of excellent engravings and a number of short and varied articles add to the attractiveness of the present number of "The Sunday

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY. (Boston . Houghton, Mifflin & Co.)—This high class monthly opens with chapters vii. and viii. of Marion Crawford's interesting and well-written story, "A Roman Singer." Henry W. Holland discourses scientifically, yet in a clear and popular style on the scientific subject of "Heredity." The sixth instalment of Henry James' "En Province" follows. A paper of much interest on "Manadism in Religion" is contributed by Elizabeth Robins. Willlam Chauncey Langdon is the author of a most interesting chapter of modern history entitled "Recollections 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 Philosophical Tragedy" is by Edward Irenæus Stevenson. An essay from an unpublished manuscript of Emerson's possesses a characteristic and historic 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" are a number of readable short stories, and original poems. Critical reviews appear on "The Voyage of the Jeannette." "Mr. White on Shakespeare and Sheridan," 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' Magazine" presents unusual attractions, 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 "Daiscarlia" is full of interest, with characteristic illustrations from drawings by the author and T. de Thulstrup. Mrs. Z. B. Gustasson 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 illustration by Abbey. "Horse-Farming in Kentucky," with especial reference to the trotting-horse, is the subject

of an interesting article by William Henry Bishop, illustrated from drawings by George Inness, jr., and photographs. Colonel Higginson continues his American History Series, with a chapter on the Revolution, entitled "The Dawning of Independence," illustrated by Howard Pyle. Tighe Hopkins contributes an interesting and romantic story, entitled "The Wood-Nymph." Phil Robinson, under the title of "Saunterings in Utah," describes some wonderful natural curiosities in the neighbourhood of Salt Lake. The Editorial Departments are full of timely and entertaining matter. The publishers announce the conclusion of "A Castle in Spain" in the November number, and the beginning, shortly afterward, of a new novel of startling literary interest, by William Black, entitled "Judith Shakespeare," illustrated by Abbey.

THE CENTURY. (New York. The Century Co.)-October brings the concluding number of " The Century" year, and of the twenty sixth volume of the magazine. Illustrated articles and critical, biographical papers give a popular look to the number. The portrait of Longfellow which accompanies Edmund C. Stedman's admirable essay on the poet, is thought to be one of the best of the excellent 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 Longfellow's literary methods are of the highest value. With popular force and knowledge, Professor George P. Fisher, of Yale, reviews the position held in religious thought and history by "Martin Luther, after Four 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 interesting 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. H. H. contributes an illustrated paper on the "Outdoor Industries of California," and George Bird Grinnell has a practical sportsman's paper on "Snipe-shooting," 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, Clennell, Jackson, Landells, and Hole. W. J. Stillman's "Characteristics of London," and the paper of an anonymous "Foreigner in Florence," succeed in making travel picturesque without the aid of pictures. In the third part of the "Bread-winners," the anonymous novel which is attracting so much attention there is the novelty 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 Alice receives his own proposal. Mr. Howells brings "A Woman's Reason" to an effective conclusion. "Through Waterspout and Typhoon," by James G. Wait, is a story of the tropical seas, of graphic and realistic power. The poetry of the number is contributed by Roger Riordan, L. Frank Tooker, Miss Charlotte Fiske Bates, Edna Dale; and in "Bric-à-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 young American who is lecturing at Cambridge University, England; and several others by well-known and effective writers. The October "Century" is a capital number.

RECEIVED.—"The Chrysostomian," a Magazine of Homiletical and practical hints for pastor and people. (Chicago: Rev. S. Mease, D.D., managing editor and publisher.) "Eiblical Expositor and People's Commentary," No. 10. By Jacob M. Herschfelder. (Toronto: Printed by Rowsell & Hutchison.) "The Canadian Independent." (Toronto. Printed by C. Blackett Robinson.) "Astrum Alberti," the magazine conducted by students of Albert University, Belleville.

CHOISE ZITERATURE.

TEEMS THE DOOR-KEEPER.

BY JOHN BROWN, M.D.

When my father was in Broughton Place Church, we had a door-keeper called Jeems, and a formidable little man and door-keeper he was: of unknown age and name, for he exus, and indeed still exists to me—though he has isted to us, and indeed still exists to me—though he has been in his grave these sixteen years—as Jeems, absolute and per se, no more needing a surname than did or do Abraham or Isaac, Samson or Nebuchadnezzar. We young people of the congregation believed that he was out in the '45, and had his drum shot through and quenched at Culloden; and as for any indication on his huge and gray visage of his ever having been young, he might safely have been Bottom the Weaver in "A Midsummer Night's Dream," or that excellent ingenious and "wise-hearted" Bezaleel, the son of Uri, whom Jeems regarded as one the greatest of men excellent ingenious and "wise-hearted" Bezaleel, the son of Uri, whom Jeems 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 selvedge 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.

feems's face was so extensive and met you so formidably and at once, that it mainly composed his whole; and such a 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 a blue great-coat. It was in the nose and the keen small eye that his strength lay. Such a nose of power, so undeniable, I never saw, except in what was said to be a bust from the antique of Rhadamanthus, the well-known justice clerk of the Pagan Court of Session! Indeed, when I was in the Rector's class and watched Jeems turning interlopers out of the church seats, by merely presenting before them

in the Rector's class and watched Jeems turning interlopers out of the church seats, by merely presenting before them this tremendous organ, it struck me that if Rhadamanthus had still been here, and out of employment, he would have taken kindly to Jeems's work—and that possibly he was 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 Jeems 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 tails resting upon the ground, and its large hind buttons in a totally preposterous position, gave him the look of being planted, or rather after the manner of Milton's beasts at the a totally preposterous position, gave him the look of being planted, or rather after the manner of Milton's beasts at the creation, in the act of emerging painfully from his mother

Now, you may think this was a very ludicrous old object. If you had seen him, you would not have said so; and not only was he a man of weight and authority—he was likewise a

If you had seen him, you would not have said so; and not only was he a man of weight and authority—he was likewise a genuine, indeed a deeply spiritual Christian, well read in his Bible, in his own heart, and in human nature and life, knowing both its warp and woof; more peremptory in making himself obey his Master, than in getting himself obeyed, and this is saying a good deal; and like all complete men, he had a genuine love and gift of humour* kindly and uncouth, lurking in his small, deep-set gray eyes, shrewd and keen, which, like two sharpest of shooters, enfladed that massive and redoubtable bulwark, the nose.

One day two strangers made themselves over to feems 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 feems to march through the passages alone, the whole congregation watching him with some relish and alarm. He gets to his destination, 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 nose and eye fell, or seemed to fall on the two culprits, and pulled them out instantly, hurrying them to their appointed pulled them out instantly, hurrying them to their appointed place: *Jeems* snibbed them slowly in, and gave them a parting look they were not likely to misunderstand or for-

At that time the crowds and imperfect ventilation made At that time the crowds and imperfect ventilation made fainting a common occurrence in Broughton Place, especially among "thae young hizzies," as Jeens called the servant girls. He generally came to me, "the young Doctor," on these occasions with a look of great relish. I had indoctrinated him in the philosophy of syncopes, especially as to the propriety of laying the "hizzies," quite flat on the floor of the lobby, with the head as low as the rest of the body: and as many of these cases were owing to what floor of the lobby, with the head as low as the rest of the body; and, as many of these cases were owing to what Jeems called "that bitter yerkin" of their boddices, he and I had much satisfaction in relieving them, and giving them a moral lesson, by cutting their stay-laces, which ran before the knife, and cracked "like a bow string," as my coadjutor said. One day a young lady was our care. She was lying out and slowly coming to. Jeens, with that huge, terrific visage came round to me with his open gully in his hand, whispering, "Wull oo ripp'er up noo?" It happened not to be a case for ripping up. The gully was a great sanitary institution, and made a decided inroad upon the yerking system—Jeems 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 the honour of his church and minister, and to his too often worthless neighbours a perpetual moral protest and lesson—

On one occasion a descendant of Nabal having put a crown-piece into "the plate" instead of a penny, and starting at its white and precious face, asked to have it back, and was refused—"In once, in forever." "Aweel, aweel," grunted he, "I'll get credit for it in heaven." "Na, na," said "Jeems, "ye'll get credit only for the penny!"

a living epistle. He dwelt at the head of Big Lochend's Close in the Canongate, at the top of a long stair—ninety-six steps, as I well know—where he had dwelt, all by himself, for five-and-thirty years, and where in the midst of all sorts of flittings and changes, not a day opened or closed without the well-known sound of Jeems at his prayers—his "exercise"—at "the Books." His clear, fearless, honest voice in result and chanter and strong prayer came sound. voice in psalm and chapter, and strong prayer came sounding through that wide "land" like that of one crying in the

wilderness.

Jeems 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 yarfauldness; 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 the state of the toward his available.

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 Jeems. If it had been so, you would not soon have wearied of telling or of being told of the life and conversation of this "fell body." He was not communicative about his early life. He would sometimes speak to me 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 married when young, and I found out that he had been married when young, and 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

nade the depository of his books—a queer collection.

I have said that he had what he called, with a grave 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 line in great style; and on seeing me one morning surprised at this, he said, "Ye see John, oo," meaning himself and his wife, "began that way." He had a firm true voice and a genuine though roughish gift of singing and being methodical in all things, he did what I never heard of in any one else—he had seven fixed tunes, one of which he sang on its else—he had seven fixed tunes, one of which he sang on its own set-day. Sabbath morning it was French, 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 sea. This day, Tuesday, was the day of the week on which 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 lank and lean, as is the ribbed sea-sand." He could not defand it but had some secret reason for sticking to it. As

lank and lean, as is the ribbed sea-sand." He could not 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, thus dropping Blackburn for evening work. The children could tell the day of the week by Jeems'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. Jeems is away—gone 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 brats on, then taking his two books out of the cradle and reading, not without a certain homely majesty, the first verse reading, not without a certain homely majesty, the first verse of the 99th psalm,

> "The eternal Lord doth reign as king, Let all the people quake; He 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 wonderfully real, *immediate*, as if he was near Him whom he addressed. Any one hearing the sound and not the words would say, "That man

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 door-keeper up before you; and secondly how I am to get him down decorously in that ancient blue great-coat, and get at my own proper text.

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And first of the first, I thought it would do you young men—the hope of the world—no harm to let your affections 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, I said "Jeems, what kind of weaver are you?" "I'm in the fancical line, maister John," said he somewhat stiffly. I like its leecence. So exit Jeems—impiger, iracundus, acer—torvus visu—thacide auiescat. visu-placide quiescat.

(To be continued.)

VICTIMS OF MONACO.

The enormous gains of the Monte Carlo gaming tables are a direct incentive to play in all countries, and we are not surprised that no less than thirty-seven illicit tables were resurprised that no less than thirty-seven illicit tables were recently found open at night in and around Nice during a single police raid. For several years previous to the formation 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 supplementary sums; and as the expenses of the Casino and entire principality are defrayed by the bank, the sum annually lost by players cannot have fallen below fifty million of francs! The receipts have fallen off considerably since 1881, 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" and 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

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 sensationalism, we venture to quote the following paragraph from the "Colonie Etrangére," a paper published in Nice: "An Englishman allowed a train to run over his neck; a Russian blew his brains out; a young Bavarian fired a couple of bullets into his chest; a Pole shot himself in the middle of the gaming saloon at Monte Carlo; a well-dressed stranger shot himself at the Hotel des Empereurs, Nice; a merchant poisoned himself at the Hotel de la Garde, Cannes; an Austrian of distinguished family blew out his brains in a 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 officer shot himself in the ear; a Hollander poisoned himself; a Dutch nobleman shot himself in the garden of his villa, Monaco; and a widow fifty-five poisoned herself at the Hotel des Deux Mondes, Nice; she had sold her last jewel to tryand recover her losses at Monaco. A German shot himself of a seat, a few steps from the Casino; an Englishman hung himself on the Ponroad; a gentleman shot himself before the Café de Paris, close to the Casino; and a young Russian shot himself at the Casino door."

The "Times" reports the circumstances of a young German of good family shooting himself the Thursday after losing at the gambling tables; and a young Englishman of good family, whose father held a high position in the House of Lords, told the writer last week that he had lost a fortune in Monaca, and was a beggar, on the world, and thas he

of Lords, told the writer last week that he had lost a fortune in Monaca, and was a beggar, on the world, and thas he seriously contemplated suicide as the only way of escaping misery and shame. The writer had a list of fifty more suicides before him, the direct results of gambling at Monte Catlo. What sorrow and distress these voilent deaths have entailed upon helpless victims! Many of our readers visit the Riviera as a winter resort, and we entreat them to dissuade 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 greaa, and its sin very grievous, even as Sodom it is greaa, and its sin very grievous, even as Sodom and Gomorrah.

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It is gratifying to find that the International Association has succeeded in drawing the serious attention of the great Powers to the subject of public gaming at Monaco. Almost the entire press of the United Kingdom is in favour of the movement, and the leading Continental press lends hearly co-operation. The question has already occupied the consideration of the Frencp Chamber of Deputies and Senate, and the Italian Parliament and German Rhiehsiag have denounced in indignant terms trems the continuance of an institution so fruitful in crime, misery, and death. The subject will be brought before the English Parliament.—The Christian.

THE LONDON FLUNKY.

W. J. Stillman says in "Characteristics of London," in the October "Century:" "In the intonation of the low toned command is the highest expression of that incommunicable, undescribable, and, except by generations of cultivation, unattainable quality we call high breeding. In the reply to it is that perfect antithesis in breeding, which we ought to call low—the profound, unqestioning, and unhesitating prostration of self of the traditional hereditary flunky, disciplined like a soldier, who, as his master never permits himself to express a disturbing emotion, never allows himself an expression of surprise or a word of comment; whose self-command is as great as his master's, perhaps greater—a well apparelled statue, save when an order is given; whose bows and deference for his master's guests are graduated by the distance at which they sit from the head of the table; a human creature that sees nothing, knows nothing, and believes nothing which his master does not expect him to see and know and believe; who, if he knows nothing, and believes nothing which his master does not expect him to see and know and believe; who, if he thinks of a heaven at all, never dreams that it can be the same thing, for his master and himself: he hopes to meet his father and grandfather and great-grand-father in the servants' hall of that celestial abode where his master and all the family for countless generations will dwell in their mundane state; his brains could no more take in the parable of Dives and Lazarus than the laws of Kepler, and the most insensate Chartit or Radical could never inspire in him an ambition to be anything beyond butler in his master's man. ambition to be anything beyond butler in his master's man-

CHINESE ASTRONOMY.

By the vast majority of the people of China the sun is regarded as the "yang," or male principle in nature; the name they give to it is tai yang, or "great male principle." The moon, being the weaker in light, is termed tai ying, or "great female principle." The two are supposed to be husband and wife, and the stars the numerous off-spring. Others think that sun and moon are both females. A tradit others think that sun and moon are both females. A tradi-tion written in Chinese, the hieroglyphics of which I have recently been endeavouring to transmute as to idiom and character into our English, runs something on this wise: All the stars are the children of the moon; in the beginning

the sun also had many little ones, just as the moon, wards the sun and moon met and considered, saying: heat and light, combined with that of the stars, is too powerful; how can men endure it? Much better kill them stars). They decided to eat up each her own children, moon, being deceifful concealed here with sun, stars). They decided to eat up each her own children. The moon, being deceifful, concealed hers, but the upright the day, therefore, there are now no stars. The moon, seeing the sun devour her children, again caused her own to appear, seeing which the sun quickly became very angry, and pursued the moon with murderous intent. From that the to this she pursues her without ceasing, even to coming the very desiring to bite and kill her. This is the cause of the eclipses. I add another, which is partly my translation: Primarily there was a woman, who whilst attending a feast, was confidently addressed by a person standing behind her. He said, "I love you." It was already dark, and the woman did not know who it was. She left the feast, dipped her hand in soot and came back. She then smeared the check of the person who had thus spoken to her. When the lamps were lighted, she stared at him and discovered that it was her own brother. Greatly terrified, she fled; the brother followed. He pursued her even to the uttermost parts of the easth; then the woman leaped into space and became the sun. Her brother leaped after her and was changed into the moon. This is the resson that the moon always follows the sun. Sometimes the moon exhibits a dark shadow; it is turning her cheek that was soiled at the feast, long before, towards the earth.

These, and hundreds of others, only awakened feelings of pity in our hearts for the poor people who are so ignorant in matters pertaining to our solar system. But when we consider their ignorance of our system of salvation through Jesus Christ, and the ideas they entertain on religious subjects, our hearts bleed. Their system of religion is by far 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 Gospel of peace is to shine in this poor benighted land.—Christian Observer.

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LUTHER AS A PREACHER.

In the October "Century" Professor George P. Fisher, of Yale, says: "For moving eloquence in the pulpit no one excelled Luther. He not only knew how to preach, but he could tell the screet to others. One defect, he observes, may eclipse numerous gifts in a preacher. 'Dr. Justus Jonas has all the good virtues and qualities a man may have; yet merely because he hums and spits, the people cannot bear that good and honest man.' Let a 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, and, meeting another maid, makes a stand, and they hold a goose-market.' He despised the hungry for appliause: 'Ambition is the rankest poison to the Church, when it possesses preachers.' 'Cursed are all preachers that in the Church aim at high and loud things, and, neglecting the saving health of the poor, unlearned people, seek 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 multitude of young people, children, and servants, of whom are more than two thousand. I preach to these, directing myself 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, to Melanchthon, to Dr. Pommar, etc., let them show their cuuning, how learned they be; they shall be well put to their trumps. But to sprinkle out Hebrew, Greek, and Latin in their public sermons savours merely of show,' etc.'

FLORENTINE FUNERALS.

"A Foreigner in Florence" says in the October "Century" "The dead are carried to their last resting-place at night. No one must be shocked during the day, while in the midst of sunshire, and light and gayety, by a reminder of our nevitable doom—by a thought of how some day there will be no sunshine or gayety for us in this bright world.

"A funeral in Florence is one of the saddest of sad spectacles, with its procession of priests and boys in draggled gowns that once were white, carrying large candles, which drip their waxen tears along the road—or would do so, if they were not caught as they fall in little cups, carried by more boys and priests, chanting, or rather whining monotonously, as they step briskly along, with a most indifferent air. One can judge somewhat of the wealth of the departed by the number of candles furnished. The shorter the purse the fewer the candles, until at last the very poor are thrown into a cart, carried outside the gates of the city, and shuffled into a pit, one on top of the other—a sight to make the angels weep! the angels weep !

"One of the most grievous characteristics, to me, of a Florentine funeral is the absence of any relative or friend of the deceased. Not one creature who loved or cared for him the detention. Not one clearlie who loved of carter 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 thrown into the ground by a few priests, who sometimes, it is to be feared, look upon the ceremony as a disagreeable, though profitable task, to be got over as soon as possible."

"PAPA" AND "MAMMA."

An early instance which occurs to me is in the "Beggar'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 upper classes, which began about thirty jears ago, seems to have been a reaction against a custom which had gradually crept in among persons of a lower grade. As soon as common people's children began to say "papa" and "mamma," those of a higher class were taught to say "father" and "mother." It was among my High Church friends that I first noticed this adoption of "father" and "mother." One does not see the connection, but truly such is the fact. When I was young "papa" and "mamma" were universal among what may be called the middle and upper classes of society, and to this day "ladies of a certain age" still use the words. King George III., about the year 1762, addressed his mother as "mamma;" so I find it stated in "Granville Memoirs." But I do not think that Charles II., unless he was speaking in French, ever addressed Hennetta Maria by that endearing name, and I feel tolerably sure that the Lady Elizabeth never called Henry VIII." papa." On the other An early instance which occurs to me is in the "Beggar's

hand, I would observe that "papa" and "mamma" are fast being supplanted by the old original "father" and "mother." For ten, or perhaps for twenty years past, children in the upper and middle classes have, so far as my observation goes, been taught to say "father" and "mother"; and "papa" and "mamma," which are words of extremest tender.ess to those of my generation, seem now to have sunk into contempt as a "note" of social inferiority.—Notes

MY BONNIE BARK.

My bonnie bark o'er the waters dark, Floats with a dreamful motion, Toward the west, where the billows' crest In the sunset gilds the ocean.

Like wings of snow the white sails glow Within the gorgeous splendour, That fills the skies with brilliant dyes-Half serrowful, half tender.

The waves leap high, and fret, and sigh, With soft, regretful droning;
The fitful wind lags far behind,
Now laughing, and now moaning.

Yet on, and on, and ever on, My bonnie bark keeps gliding; Toward the mart my dreamful heart Holds sacred and abiding.

For staunch and true, my 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 steering; And true always, the helm obeys, My bark bounds on unvecting!

Faith turns her eyes with restful sighs
Toward the fields Elysian
That stretch away in endless day—
Hope's sweet and sure frution.

Her eyes 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 bonnie bark keeps gliding, Toward the mart my dreamful heart Holds sacred and adiding.

If sad my lot, I'll murmur not, God's fiat is eternal;— Beyond life's waves the sunlight laves The battlements supernal!

— Frank Leslie's Sunday Magazine for October.

LOOK WITHIN.

It is from barren mountain heights
That pure cold water flows;
And in the bowels of the earth
That diamonds dimly glow.

Fast locked 'tween shells, in waters deep, The pearl in darkness lies; And worthless seems the golden ore When viewed with untrained eyes.

So, oft we find, within the control That outward seem most stern,
The hearts in which love's purest fire
Will ever constant burn.

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CALIFORNIA'S vineyards are rivalling her mines as a source of profit.

A BRISK old lady, Mrs. Kussell Green, of Providence, Rhode Island, eighty-nine years old, does all her own work, and recently whitewashed a long board fence between her own and a neighbour's garden. She rises ever morning at four o'clock.

Two ladies, Misses Harriette and Jane Black, daughters of the late Rev. Moses Black, Kilmare, county Down, have left Belfast for China, as missionaries in connection with the Irish Presbytenan Church. Interesting farewell meetings were held in Albert Street Church.

THE people of central Wales, under the leadership of Principal Edwards of Bala, a fellow-student of Dr. Chalmers, are agitating for a continuance of the grant to the college at Aberystwith, since Bangor has been selected at the site of a college for north Wales and Cardiff for the south.

NEARLY all the Prime Ministers of England reached a mature age before they attained to the honour. Mr. Gladstone was fifty-nine when he first held the position. Lord Beaconsfield was sixty-three, Lord Palmerston seventy, Lord Derby fifty-two, Sir Robert Peel fifty-three, the Duke of Wellington fifty-six, and Earl Russell fifty-three. In striking contact with these veterans appears the youthful Pitt, who became Prime Minister before he had completed his twenty-fifth year.

British and Borkion Atees.

THE most popular poet of Spain has just published a eulogy of Luther.

ONE of the Civil Justices of Philadelphia 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 the Sandwich Islands.

SOME Arizona mining companies are about to use the electric light in their mines.

The collected works of Dean Stanley are to be issued by Mr. Murray in a series of monthly volumes.

The oratorio of "Elijah" was performed in Gloucester Ca.hedral lately after a sermon by the Dean of Llandaff.

One hundred and twenty-nine life convicts have entered the prison in Joliet, Ill., since 1858, and fifty-three are still

Dr. W. M. TAYLOR, of New York, preached for his old friend Mr. Kirkwood, of Troon, recently to a crowded congregation.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury has declared that the east-ward position is legal. The decision of the courts is exactly the opposite.

THE North Nebraska Methodist Conference has resolved that any member who has fallen into the use of tobacco ought to desist.

The Lee Association of Mobile ask for \$10,000 for a monument to Kaphael Semmes who was captain of the cruser "Alabama."

CHICAGO'S banquet to Lord Chief Justice Coleridge recently is said to have been "on a scale of hitherto unapproached magnificence."

A MINNEAPOLIS man has paid \$3,000 for medical treatment on account of a bite by his dog, and yet has not sought satisfaction by killing the beast.

HANNIBAL HAMLIN proposes to give the town of Paris, Me., his native place, a clock to be placed in the tower of the Baptist church on Paris Hill.

THE number of applicants for admission to the under-graduate classes in John Hopkins University increases as the institution becomes better known.

PHILADELPHIA'S Health Board will require householders to remove the grass from their pavements, as it affords a hiding place for garbage and other filth.

VERMONT is delighted with General Hooker's law, under which the State Government is supported entirely by a tax

upon the gross earning of corporations.

On his return from Europe, the famous temperance reformer, Francis Murphy, was accorded a reception at the Cooper Institute, New York, last week.

MR. ARCHIBALD 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 Greenock, famous for its wet weather, a shelter has been provided at the cemetery for mourners. A fee of five shillings is to be charged for its use at a funeral.

The 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.

ILLITERACY has increased in Maine, New Hampshire, Nevada and California, and decreased in Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia within the past ten years.

THE "Boston Post" says that a Vermonter who stole a cow from his neighbour's barn, found on getting her home that it was his own cow, which his neighbour had stolen earlier in the night.

IT is said that Tourguentel's method of writing was laborious. He generally spun out his novels to great length in MS., and then carefully "boiled them down" till they had dwindled into short stories.

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The funeral of Lucy Fish Curtis, who died at West Randolph, VL, at the age of about 100 years, was attended by all her six children, the youngest being fifty-five and the oldest eighty-three years of age.

The Rev. Mt. McTavish, Inveness, formerly of Woodstock, has tabled a notice of motion in Inverness Free Presbytery condemning the Assembly's action regarding instrumental main as a get of insurprising.

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THE Presbytenan mission in Persia has been granted by the Shah a site for a chapel in Teberan on condition that no Mohaminedan of whatever age, will be allowed to attend the errores, or receive religious instruction there.

AT the conference of Y.M.C associations at Liverpool, it was reported that in Scotland there are 16S branches, with a membership of 30,000. The place of meeting next year is Berlin, and the conference will be international.

The "Morning Star," which is owned by the Freewill Baptists of the entire country, and has been printed in Dover, N. H., for fifty years past, is ere long to be printed in Boston, where there are better mail facilities than in Dover.

THE sheep ranches of California are usually desolate places. For the herders it is a terrible life, how terrible is shown by the frequency of insanity among them. Sometimes, after only a few months, a herder goes suddenly mad.

In the church that is being built on the site of the old slave market at Zanzibar, a painted window is to be fitted up to the memory of the late Ketth Johnston, F.R.G.S., who died at Betsobero in June, 1879. It will be one of a series of memorials to African explorers.

SURREY Chapel on leasehold ground cost \$25,000; its successor, Christ Church, on freehold ground, has cost \$320,000, of which the last remnant, amounting to about as much as Surrey chapel cost, has lately been paid off in commemoration of the centenary of the old place of worship.

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

THE Rev. John Thompson, Sarnia, has returned from 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, 28th 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. Andrew's Church here was solemuzed on Wednesday morning last at seven o'clock, the parties being Mr. W. M. Harvey, of Orillia, and Miss Cecily Lafferty, of Perth. Rev. Mr. MacGilli-vray 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 entitled the bride to a gift of that sacred nature.

On Wednesday evening, 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 Rev. Dr. Moffat. As usual with the ladies of this church, the tables were bountifully provided and beautifully ornamented. The Rev. Dr. Mc Vicar, the principal of the Montreal Presbyterian College, gave a brilliant lecture on "Science 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 Fleicher on the 18th instant. The attendance both of ministers and elders was smaller than usual. On the evening of the first day of meeting a Conference on Sabbath School Work was held. Mr. Uzelle, catechist, gave a report of his labours during the last three months. A telegram was read announcing that Mr. McAlmon had 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: \$200 to Mersea. \$150 to Baxton, \$100 to Duart, \$3 per Sabbath to Essex Centre, and \$3 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 meeting he would move the adoption of an overture, on the need of a juvenile missionary magazine for circulation in our Sabbath The next regular meeting was appointed to be held in First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, on the second Tuesday of December next, at eleven a.m. It was agreed to take 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 Presbytery. Mr. Gray was appointment to see to the formation of a Session at Essex Centre.-W. WALKER, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF PARIS.—This Presbytery held its regular quarterly meeting in Zion Church, Brantford, on Tuesday, 25th ult., Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Moderator, and Rev. W. T. McMullen, clerk. A letter from Mr. Joseph Builder, missionary-elect to India, was read, asking the Presbytery to transfer him for ordination and designation to the Toronto Presbytery. After discussion, the request was granted, and the Toronto Presbytery notified by telegram of said action. Commissioners appeared from Knox and Erskine Churches, Ingersoll, in reference to a union of said congregations under the present pastor of Knox Church, the Rev. Mr. Ross. The union sought was granted, and Mr. McKay appointed to preach and notify them of the decision of the Presbytery. A Committee was also appointed to meet with said congregations and

arrange other matters regarding property and finance. Mr. Thomson was appointed to preach at Glenmorris on the 15th 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. Mr. 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. A committee was appointed to meet with the congregations of Tilsonburg and Culloden, and ascertain their views in the matter, and report to next meeting of Presbytery. Standing committee on the State of Religion, Sunday Schools, Temperance, Examination of Students, Sabbath Observance, and Statistics, were appointed. The grants to supplemented and mission stations were revised, and claims passed. After the disposal of other matters of a routine character the Presbytery adjourned, to meet on the second Tuesday of December, in Knox Church, Woodstock, at twelve o'clock. - W. T. MCMULLEN, Pres. Clerk.

RESBYTERY OF MAITLAND.—This Presbytery met in Bluevale on the 18th September. Elders' commissions 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 Ashheld 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. McQueen was appointed to prosecute the call before the Presbytery of Lindsay. A conference on "The State of Religion" will be held at the March meeting, when the report on that subject is presented. Mr. Ross announced that the topic for conference at next meeting would be "Missions," to be introduced by Messrs. 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 with Knox Church, Kincardine, was laid on the table till next meeting. A conference was held in the evening on "The Importance of the Work 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 the March meeting. A committee, consisting of Messrs. Hartley and Mc-Quarrie, ministers, and Harrison, elder, was appointed to visit St. Andrew's and Knox Church congregations and endeavour to effect a union between them, and arrange regarding the neighbouring stations.-ROBERT LEASK, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.—This Presbytery met in the usual place on the 26th ult., at eleven a.m. Rev. J. M. Cameron presided, pro tem. 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 meeting of his congregation was read, setting forth that while the congregation regarded the citation of the Presbytery as too late for offering effective opposition to his acceptance of the appointment, they had nevertheless agreed to obey the citation, and had appointed as their commissioners to the Presbytery Mr. Wm. Kerr, Rev. Wm. Inglis, Mr. A. Nairn, and Mr. J. Y. Reid. Said commissioners appeared accordingly, and were severally heard, when they stated (inter alia) that while they and the congregation were very unwilling to part with a pastor who had laboured so long and so efficiently among them they would not

now oppose his decision, and that very cordially the would send with him their wishes and prayers for his comfort and success, hoping also that the material support stipulated to him would not fail to be realized Dr. King was then heard on his own behalf, when he stated at some length the grounds on which he had decided to accept the appointment of the General Assembly, and to leave a people who had all along acted towards him most kindly and honourably. Ret. Dr. Reid then submitted the following resolution 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 nowheard the commissionen from the congregation of St. James' Square Church, and having already had before them an extract of the General Assembly's minute appointing Dr. King to be Professor of Theology in Manitoba College, and Principal of the College, and also Dr. King's acceptance of the appointment; resolute to release Dr. King, as they hereby do, from the pastonic charge of St. James' Square Church from and after the zame of the charge of the charge of the same and appointment; when to want the content of the same charge of the charge of the charge of the same and appointment is the same charge of the cha charge of St. James' Square Church from and after the 22md day of October ensuing, and instruct him to wait the order of the Presbytery of Manitoba as to his induction in Manitoba College. The Presbytery adopt this action with the deeper regret, in view of the very important position heretofar occupied by Dr. King, the valuable services rendered by him, especially in connection with the Home Mission scheme, and in educational work, and the personal qualities which have endeared him so much to his brethren. Whilst they would have rejoiced to retain him as a member of this Prebytery, which has so often been benefited by his counses, they feel that they could not do otherwise than bow to the greater confidence, recognizing as they do this with the greater confidence, recognizing as they do the combinates of qualities which in him in an admirable degree for the of qualities which he has been appointed. The Presbying position to which he has been appointed. The Presbyten will remember their brother when separated from him; the will follow him with their best wishes and prayers for a success and comfort, having the confidence that by the biesing of the Great Head of the Church his appointment was conduce in a very eminent degree to the prosperity of & institution over which he is to preside, and that of the Church throughout the North-West.

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The Presbytery desire to record their very deep and siccere sympathy with the congregation of St. James' Square being deprived of a pastor so faithful and so beloved, and their high appreciation of the unselfish and noble Christia spirit manifested by them in all their proceedings in constition with this matter. The Presbytery cannot but entertain the trust that the spirit of Christian loyalty and self-sifice evinced alike by pastor and people will be followed by an abundant blessing and an enlarged bestowal of the grees and influences of the Holy Spirit. The Presbytery appose Rev. Dr. Gregg to preach in the pulpit of St. James' Squar Church on Sabbath, the 28th October, and to declare by pastoral charge vacant; and further appoint Rev. Principal Caven to act as moderator of the session during the vacancy. An application was read from the managers of Camilla congregation, asking leave to sell their old church and lot, the proceeds thereof to go towards the payment of the debt on their new church. The leave sought wa granted. On motion made, Rev. R. Pettigrew vu appointed interim moderator of the session of Dux in place of Rev. W. McWilliam, now removed to Prince Albert, N.-W. T. At three p.m. of the same day the Presbytery met in Chalmers Church, Toronta, for the purpose of ordaining Rev. John Mutch. At this diet Rev. A. Gilray presided, agreeably to previou appointment. After the usual preliminaries an exté lent sermon was preached by Rev. A. Wilson from 2 Chron. xiv. 11. The moderator then narrated the previous steps, and put the usual questions to Mi Mutch, who was afterwards, by prayer and the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery solemnly set apa to the holy ministry, and inducted to the paster! charge of Chalmers Church. He was also affection ately and suitably addressed by Rev. H. M. Parsen on the duties of his office; and the congregating were briefly addressed by the moderator. When the public services were over, a telegram was read from the Presbytery of Paris transferring to this Prebytery the authority given by the General Assembly to the former Presbytery in conjunction with the Foreign Mission Committee, to ordain and designate Mr. Joseph Builder to the mission work in India. After some consideration, it was resolved to meet in St. Jama' Square Church on the 5th of October at three p.m. take Mr. Builder on the usual trials, and at half-pix seven p.m. of the same day, to set him apart to hi chosen work. Rev. Dr. King was appointed to proside and deliver the charge to Mr. Builder. It was also agreed to ask Rev. D. D. MacLeod, of Paris, to preach, and that the Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph be invited to address the assembled people, leaving to himself to take what action he might see fit for the presence of the Foreign Mission Committee on the occasion. The next ordinary meeting of Presbyter was appointed to be held in the usual place on the 6th of November, at eleven a.m.—R. MONTEATE, Pres. Clerk.

PRESBYTERY OF OWEN SOUND.—This Presbytery met in Division Street Church on the 18th of Septem-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 the pulpit up to this meeting, and that Messrs. Somerville, Dewar and Currie had been appointed to draw up an obituary notice of our deceased brother, Mr. Cameron, and that Mr. Currie had been appointed interim moderator until Presbytery should meet. The Presbytery approved of what was done. Mr. Somerville for the committee submitted the following minute in reference to Mr. Cameron's death, which was adopted :- "It is with feelings of deepest sorrow that the Presbytery have to record the death of the Rev. James Cameron, of Chatsworth, one of its oldest and best beloved members. After a brief illness his spirit was taken home, strong in the faith and without a struggle at noon on the 13th August, and his body buried in the church yard on the 15th. He was born in Invernessshire, Scotland, July 10th, 1828; 100k his arts course and two years of Theology in Free Church College, Edinburgh. In 1855 he came to Canada and in 1857 finished his Theological course in Knox College, Toronto. In 1856 he was sent by the Presbytery of Hamilton to labour as a student Missionary in the township of Sullivan, county Grey, and was ordained as pastor of the congregation February mary 16th, 1859. The charge then included Chatsworth, Williamsford and Latona with outlying stations in all directions receiving occasional service. From the first he took a deep interest in supplying outlying districts in Grey and Bruce with Gospel ordinances; and his fostering care of each station never ceased until they became self-supporting. In 1872 the charge was divided and he remained minister of Chatsworth. His ministry from its opening to its close was marked by great ability, earnestness, faithfulness and an intense love for his people. During these years of arduous missionary labour he kept up his close habits as a student, and his facile pen was ever busy. Whatever editorial work he undertook was done most efficlently: whether he were editing the 'Christian Monthly, the 'Presbyterian Year Book,' or contributby brief articles on current topics to the periodicals of the day. His disposition was retiring, so that he hever took a prominent part in the higher Church Courts. However, at the last meeting of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston he was appointed its moderator. Most faithfully did he discharge his duties as member of Presbytery and as pastor; often, too, then bodily weakness made these duties doubly heavy. The whole district will go on long reaping the fuit of his earnest labours. The Presbytery has lost from its counsels one deeply beloved, gifted largely with wisdom, and that charity which 'suffereth long and is kind.' The Presbytery would commend the concerning the midst of the Congregation to Him who walketh in the midst of the teven golden candlesticks and holdeth the seven stars in his right hand to raise them up a pastor faithful and efficient like the one taken up to the 'General Astembly and Church of the first-born,' and would pray hat the Father of all mercies, and the God of all grace would make his consolations abound to the sorrowing widow and children, and be to them doubly a Father in this the time of their sore affliction." Mr. Somertille at the request of the session was appointed moderate. erator, and Mr. Mullan, with Mr. Anthony as assessors along with Mr. Wallace, were appointed to form a ssion for Berkeley and Williamsford. Students discourse for Berkeley and Williamsford. The evening meet-Courses were heard and passed. The evening meet-The report of work done during the past six months was eminently satisfactory, showing deep interest in the Cause by the people, and encouraging progress in every field. The financial committees appointed at last meeting for all mission stations and supplemented concerning for all mission stations and supplemented Congregations reported, giving statistics of work and honey raised. The grants to fields were revised on the basis of these reports, and committees appointed to be basis of these reports. to visit all congregations coming under the new regulation. Berkeley and ations for augmentation of stipend. Berkeley and Williamsford were erected into a congregation and but on the list of vacancies. An application from on the list of vacancies. An applicant of the list of vacancies of the applicant of the adjourned meeting Congregation was held over till the adjourned meeting to kemble on the 16th of October with the view of consistency arrangement enquiring whether a better permanent arrangement for the made. Messrs. the whole field could not be made. Messrs. renson, Dewar and Morrison were appointed to arrange 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 1.30 p.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 16th October at 11 a.m., and the meeting was closed with the benediction. - JOHN SOMERVILLE, M.A., Pres. Clerk.

"SUITABLE MEN."

MR. EDITOR,—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.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS. — Received by Rev. Dr. Reid, the following sums for schemes of the Church, viz : A Friend, Wick, for Foreign Mission, \$1; 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.

Sabbath School Feacher.

INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

LESSON XLI.

SAMUEL THE JUDGE.

GOLDEN TEXT.—" Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."-1 Sam. 7:12.

CENTRAL TRUTH.—Righteous judges are a national 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 lodged at Kirjath-jearim. The people began to cry to God. Samuel seized the favourable time to impress them with a sense of 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. Ashtaroth: a general name for the principal female deities, worshipped in the same countries as Baal, often identified 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. Mizpeh: a watch-tower, an elevated point about five miles to the north of Jerusalem. Bethcar: site not definitely known, but lies west of Jerusalem and Mizpeh. Ebenezer: a stone set up between Mizpeh on the east and Shen on the west. Ekron and Gath: two Philistine cities, the former thirty miles north-west, the latter twenty-three west, from Jerusalem. Bethel: north of Jerusalem twelve miles. Gilgal: between Jericho and the Jordan, 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. Notes.—Baalim: the plural of Baal, the supreme male

I. A GREAT REVIVAL.—Ver. 3.—Samuel spake they had paid little attention before, but now they attended they had paid fittle 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 show it openly. Serve Him only: they were to put away Baal and Ashtaroth, and sacrifice and pray to God only. All reformations

are deceitful that do not affect the outward life. deliver you: if we turn to God, God will deliver us / Ver. 4.—Put away Baalim and Ashtaroth: the

Ver. 4.—Put away Baahm 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.

5.—Gather all Israel to Mizpeh: Mizpeh here Ver. 5.—Gather all Israel to Mizpen: Mizpen nere was different from Mizpeh in Gilead, the home of Jephthah. (Judg. 11.) It was a few miles westward of Jerusalem. I will pray for you: Samuel's prayers were often heard. He lived very near to God. As an intercessor, he is likened in Jer. 15: I to Moses.

Ver. 6.—Gathered together: the main purpose was to renew their covenant with God: but I have no doubt

to renew their covenant with God: but I have no doubt to renew their covenant with God: but I have no doubt 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 one of the ceremonies of the Feast of Tabernacles, and to be referred to both in Is. 12:3, and John 7:37. Fasted: much practised in old times, in connection with confession and prayer. Too much neglected in modern times. Fasted: much practised in old times, in connection with confession and prayer. Too much neglected in modern times. We have sinned: they made confession. Confession is the first step toward obtaining deliverance. Samuel judged: the assembly continued for some time—long enough for the Philistines to get together to attack them; and Samuel would have many judicial causes to decide (as Moses had; Ex. 18:13).

II.—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 better than the confident shouting in ch. 4:5.

Ver. 8.—Cry unto the Lord: 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 to know it. So with us; for we have many spiritual enemies.

Ver. 9.—A hurnt-offering: Samuel acting for the

-A burnt-offering: Samuel, acting for the 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 connected in the Old Testament with prayer and acceptance. The Lord heard him: his prayer was accepted, and the deliverance was granted. the deliverance was granted.

Ver. 10.—As Samuel was offering: even while he was praying and sacrificing, the enemy came upon them. The Lord thundered: Samuel's mother, in her inspired

The Lord thundered: Samuel's mother, in her inspired 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. 11.—Pursued the Philistines, and smote them: the enemy being discomfited (Ver. 10), it was easy to follow up their flight and destroy them. Under Bethcar: some high pasture hill. Porter supposes it to be Beitfar, the remains of a village three miles north-west of Bethshemish. shemish.

Ver. 12.—Samuel took a stone: in a nation with Ver. 12.—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 Tooth." 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 circumstances connected with its erection, would always cling to it.

III. PEACE AND PROSPERITY.—Ver. 13.—The Philistines were subdued: this defeat seemed to break their power for a long time. All the days of Samuel: as

power for a long time. All the days of Samuel: as we find the Philistines troublesome and oppressive before Samuel died, we must understand "the days of Samuel and the All the days of Samuel and Samuel died, we must understand "the days of Samuel" as meaning the time of his active judgeship, before his sons had

meaning the time of his active judgeship, before his sons had authority.

Ver. 14.—Cities . . . restored: the frontier places were recovered. Not probably Ekron and Gath themselves, but all the cities between 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 enjoyed when they served God!

Ver. 15.—Samuel judged 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 Samuel had much authority as long as he lived.

Ver. 16.—From year to year in circuit: he went to Bethel and Gilgal and Mizpeh, hearing causes and directing 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.

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Ver. 17.—His return was to Ramah: he lived there; held "court" there; and had there an altar for public worship. We hear nothing of the Tabernacle. Samuel was the centre and leader of the religion of the nation.

PRACTICAL LESSONS.

1. Sin, like the Philistines, will always oppose us; but, if we keep close by the sacrificial Lamb, it shall not overcome us. (Ver. 10.)

come 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.



OUR COUNG COLKS.

ROOM FOR THE CHILDREN.

Let the little children come To a Saviour's breast ! Little souls feel weariness, Little hearts need rest.

Josus wants a tiny hand In the harvest field, To the touch of fingers small, Giant hearts may yield.

Jesus wants a baby voice, Praises sweet to sing; Earth's discordant choruses Shaming, silencing.

Perhaps amidst the crowding throng, No one else might see 'That some little faces asked, ''Is there room for me?''

Heaven is full of little ones, God's great nursery, Where the fairest flowers 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 happy, 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 Chrit, 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 helped everybody. But the people hated Him. They made a cross of wood; they nailed Him on it, by those tender hands and feet; there they crucified 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 for 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 believed in this Saviour, who, for the sake of His love and suffering 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 before the Dasserah festival, the little Hindoo girls destroy their dolls. The girls dress themselves in the brightest colours, and march through the busy bazaars of the city and along roads shaded by overhanging mango or sissoo trees, till they come to water—probably a large tank built by some pious Hindoo. A crowd of men and women follow them. Round the tank are feathery b amboos, plantains with there broad, hanging leaves, and mango-trees, and on every side are flights of steps leading down to the water

Down the steps the little bare feet go; and taking a last look at their favourite dolls, they toss them into the water. No Hindoo girl has such a family of dolls as many of our readers have in this country. But her dolls cost very little, and so the lost one is easily replaced. They are made of rags, or more generally of mud or clay, dried in the sun or baked in an oven, and rudely daubed with paint. An English doll is a marvel to a Hindoo girl. The fair hair, blue eyes, pretty face, and the clothes that are put on and taken off, fill her with wonder. In some of the mission-schools the scholars get presents at Christmas, and the girls get dolls, to their great delight.

THE POWER OF A CHILD'S LOVE.

How many deeds of kindness
A little child may do,
Although it has so little strength,
And little wisdom too!
It wants a loving spirit
Much more than strength, to prove
How many things a child may do
For others, by its love.

FRANKLIN'S ECONOMY.

When Benjamin Franklin started in business for himself as printer, bookseller, 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, directing 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 for him an easy victory.

THINGS MONEY 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 mother, the fidelity of a father, the affection of a sister, the sympathy of a brother, the trust of a friend, are never bought with gold.

Money cannot 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 money will not of itself ensure culture and gentility, yet next to Christian graces and robust health nothing is so desirable as refinement, and pleasing, self-possessed manners. The wealth of a Crossus could not give a peaceful conscience. Sin scourges the soul of the 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.

Yet money is not to be despised. If we have it let us except it as God's gift, and use it, not so much for our own pleasure as for the benefit of others. If we have it not let us believe that for our own good it has been with held from us. But, whether we have it or not, let us remember that it cannot purchase love, contentment, education, culture, refinement, nor a good conscience, and that it will not secure for us either peace, purity, holiness, or heaven.

ARAB COURAGE.

The courage of the Bedouin is one of their most lauded virtues, but one which within the present century has not been conspicuously vindicated. I have seen more than once a tribe on a raid, and have heard more than one tale of Bedouin battles. As a rule, the bulletin seems to be to the following effect: "We bravely attacked the enemy, which made Its appearance in a force of one to our ten. We took several prisoners, and the enemy lost 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 former occasion, and letting them go, drove off the captured camels, and endeavoured to conceal as far as possible the direction of our victor. ious retreat." Such are the deeds which I have heard recounted, and although men are sometimes slain in battle, and Fahed en Nima has legs which have been peppered with small shot, it must be remembered that to initiate a blood feud is a most serious circumstance in 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 they will gather their spearmen, concentrate their encampment, and square up, so to speak, toward each other, and they generally contrive, before matters come to an open breach, to find a third party willing to mediate, and a compromise is established to the great relief of the bold warriors on either side.

JAPANESE FOLITENESS.

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

Good to have truth in the head.

BETTER to have truth in the heart.

BEST to have it in both.—Rom. x. 9.

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THE FATHER OF FISH-CULTURE.

Seth Green's Ideas About the Pluny Tribo and Some of Ills Varied Experiences.

(Turf, Field and Farm.)

"How did you ever come to devise this scheme?" "I have been working at it ever since I was large enough to bend a pin."

The above remark was addressed to Mr. Seth Green, the veteran fish culturist, who is known to the enture world, and his reply indicates the extent of his labour.

Green, the veteran is a canting way or a score of the centure world, and his reply indicates the extent of his labours.

"When I was quite young," he continued, "I would lie on the limbs of trees that reached out over the water entire afternoons watching the movements of the fish and studying their labits. In this way I discovered many characteristics which were before unknown. I saw, as every observer must see, the destructive elements that are warring against fish, and I realized that unless something were done, the life in the streams of this country would become extinct. To counteract this disastrous end became my lifework, and I am happy to say I have been its accomplishment."

"Were you successful on the start?"

"No, indeed. Up to that time oll artificial attempts to hitch and raite fish from the spiwn had failed, and I was compelled to experiment in an entirely new manner. The work was a careful and tedious one, but I finally succeeded, and to-day I am able to hatch and raite fully seventy-five per cent. of all grawn."

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sble to hatch and raise fully seventy-five per cent. of all snawn.

"Enormous! Why, that is a larger percentage than either the vegetable or animal kingdoms produce in a natural condition."

"I know it, but we exercise the greatest cardin the start, and guard the little fellows until they ecome able to care for themselves."

The foregoing conversation occurred at Caledonia, where the representative of this paper way paying a vasit to the State fish hatcheries. It has been his privilege to report very many intereding sights within the past twenty-five years, but the view presented here exceeds in interest anything even before attempted. attempted.
"How many fish are there in those posts, Mr.

attempted.

"How many fish are there in those posits, Mr. Green?"

"As we have never attempted to coult them it will be impossible to say. They extend yay up into the millions though. We shipped over tree millions out of the pomost this year and there see filed to be as many afterward as before. We have nearly every variety of the trout family and many hybrids."

"You speak of hybrids, Mr. Green. What do you mean by that?"

"I have experimented for years in crossing the breed of the various fish and am still working upon it We cross the female salmon trout with the male brook trout, and thus produce a hyb. id. Then we cross the hybrid with the brook trout, which gives us three quarter brook trout and one-quarter salmon trout his makes one of the fines in the world. He has all the habits of the brook trout, lie seen both streams and lakes, develops vermillographs as his sides, rises readily to a fly, is far morp the received the man age. The possibilities of the second the fish world are gast, and we am taped asset taming what they are.

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As the min of new waches the consteant the fish world are garding and stalwart frame, surmounted with a write silky beard and language first property and silky beard and language first. Seth Green, the lather of fish culture, as a circure of health, and the reporter could

one of this few investigations who from a rich and life-long operience bring great benefit to the world. Let the reality imagine a group and stalwart frame, surmounted that head strongly resembling that of Socrates, and counted with a white salky beard and laxuriant grapulair. Seth Green, the father of fish culture, is a picture of health, and the reporter could not help remarking so.

"If you had seen me the last winter and spring, young man, you might have thought differently," said the veteran.

"How is that? One would think, to look at you that sickness was something of which you knew nothing."

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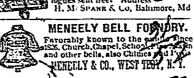
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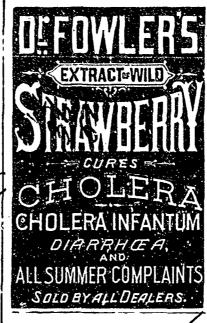
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