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A deicicious tutti-fruttl may be made by taking a tablespoonful cach of many kind of preserves and adding to it a quart of sweetened cream, using half a pound of sugar to one quart of cream.

A sllce of bread toasted to a dellicate brown and moistened with the juice from a hot, rare beefsteak is a little variation from the regulation toast, and appreciated by the the regulation toast, gad appretiated bean a good deal.

A fine catsup can be made of cucumbers. Chop fine four good-sized onions, peel and take out the seed of three dozen ripe cucumbers and put in the bowl with the onlons and chop ; draio off the water and put in preserve jars. Heat a quart of vinegar, ad ding a scant teaspoontul of cayenne pepper, a tablespoonfal of salt, and one of ground cloves ; whea just warm, turn over the chopped cucumbers so the jars are full, seal, and put in a cool place. Try it on fisb.
a relishamle bread pudding.
To be at its best, bread pudding must be carefully made. Take about four slices of stale bread, or its equivalent in fragments, remove, all the crust, and pour about two cupfuls of boiling milk over them. Beat this thoroughly, until it is free from lumps, add one well-beaten egg, then stir again until the mixture is like thick cream. Add a little nutmeg, vanilla or other flavorpg. Batter a pan, pour in the pudding, and bake in a quick' oven. It should be put loto the oven about fifteen minutes before serving, as it is sent to the table immediatety upon being done. It will have risen into a very light and delicate loaf, which is extremely relishable. It may be served with bard sauce, or any dressing which is most like.

## tomato catsup.

Tomato catsup is a favorite relisb. Put one peck of ripe tomatoes and one quart of onions in a porcelain kettle and boil until a soft mash. Then press through a coarse sieve, add to it one quart of vinegar, one ounce of salt, one ounce of mace, one tablespoonful each of black pepper, cayenne pepper and ground cloves, and five pints of sugar. Return to the fire and boil several bours, stirring frequently. Bottle and seal.

A catsup generally used in the South is made with a peck of green tomatoes and a halt peck of onions. Chop and put in a porcelain kettle with three ounces of mustard seed, one ounce of salt, one ounce of cloves, one ounce of allspice, balf a pint of mixed mustard, one ounce of black pepper, lone ounce of celery seed, and a pound of brown sugar. Cover with vinegar and place on the fire and boil slowly two hoars; strain through a sieve, bottle and seal.
delicious tuscan pudding.
Make a bolled custard with one pint of milk, sweetened with half a cup of sugar, hoiled and poured on three beaten eggs. Return the mixtare to the saucepan and stir until it taickens, but do not let it curdle as if will if it boils ror more than a second. When cool add one pint of cream, half a cup of sugar, a quarter of a box of gelatine, dissolved and strained, hall a teaspoonful of vanilla, a quarter of a teaspoonful of essence of lemon, twenty drops of extract of bitter almond. Put in a mould with smooth sides and pack in ice and salt. The proportion is two quarts of broken ice to one of coarse salt, well mixed. In an hour remove the mould, and after wiping it carefully uncover it, and with a knife scrape the frozen cream from the sides. Reat it thoroughly, as this makes the texture fine and smooth. If it is nearly frozen add half a pound of sweet almonds, blancheá and chopped fine, balf 3 pound of candied ginger, cut in small pieces, and half a pound of citron prepared in the same way.


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The Royal Edinburgh Hospital for sick children was lately opened by Her Royal Highness, Princess Beatrice. The building is to cost about $8200,000.00$. While going through it she presented each of the nurses with a silver commemorative badge.

The news, which we have not seen in our American exchanges comes to us from across the sea that, at the last meeting of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, Dr. A. T. Pierson recuived his certificate, disjoining him from the Presbytery, with a view to joining the Congregational Association of New York and Brooklyn.

From a book recently published on "Punch and His Contributors" it appears that many ladies have been among the illustrators and writers for that famous weekly. Miss Georgina Bowers drew for ten years for Punch, and among other lady contributors are such names as Mrs. Rimer, Miss Fraser, Miss Maud Lambourne, and many others wellknown.

Rev. Professor Hastie, D.D., recently appointed to the Divinity Chair in Glasgow University, was introduced to the students by Principal Caird, in the Bute Hall, in the presence of a large audience which included the Rev. Donald MacLeod, Moderator of the General Assembly, the Rev. Dr. Marshall Lang, Professor Story, and other members of he Senatus.

It is not often that men have the grace or courge to refuse the degree of D.D., especiaily when presented by a famous university. It has lately been done, however, by the Bishop of Norwich, the Right Rev. John Sheepshanks, for a reason which, taken with others, shows how well he was entitled to it. It was on the ground that," the money required to pay the necessary fees (about $\$ 350$ ) might be put to better use in his diocese." The Bishop of Xorwich is a most sensible man.

The Presbyterian young men of the city of londonderry are engaging in a volunteer cffort to id the Foreign Mission which proves that the rising generation in Ireland are not only not behind their fathers but are taking a step in advance. They have divided the city into districts, and have made a special canvass and collection, with the recult that they have raised nearly $£ 250$. This is not a mere spasmodic effort. They mean to keep it up year by year, and asean earnest have undertaken to guarantee $£ 200$ a year to a missionary.

The Presbyterian, of London, England, of date th. inst., comes to us enlarged, and enters upon anew departure which will no doubt add to the asefulness and, at the same time, attractiveness of the paper. It proposes to represent more fully in future Scoltish Presbyterianism in all its branches, a step which has evoked hearty approval from representative men and promises of support from all. Public questions will be discussed as before free trom? partisan spirit. High class fiction will obtain aplace in its columns, and it has in contemplation, what should surcly find a place from time to time in every Presbyterian paper, for the sake of the young as they are growing up, "a scries of short erticles dealing with the history and principles of Presbyterianism, intended specially for the youth In the congregations of the cilurch." We wish our teansatlantic Presbyterian contemporary all suctess in this new departure.

Up to the 15 th inst., one hundred and forty-six students have been entered on the Manitoba College roll. More continue to arrive, however, and a few more may still be expected, so that the total will be slightly larger by Christmas. Fifty-three, an unusually large number, are enrolled for the first time. Doubtless many of these will not take a full course, there are always a considerable number who take a short couzse of one or two sessions. The quality of the classes is quite up to the average, and there is every prospect of a successful year's work.

The Mid-Contintent comparing the giving of the Presbyterian Church (North) in the U.S. in 1595 with what it was at the time of the union twentyfive years ago, says: "The amount of contributions recommended by the General Assembly for the work of the Foreign Mission Board alone, for 1895, about equalled the total contributions to all the Boards in iS70." For all the Boards there have been contributed in twenty-five years nearly $\$ 50,000,000$, and for miscellancous benevolence, and congregational support $\$ 300,000,000$. In tracing this vast stream of benevolence and mighty force for good to its source it says, and let the words be noted and sink deep into the heart of our own Church: "To the Home Missionary force, we may trace the geographic and numerical expansion of the united church."

The current number of Queen's University fournal extends a welcome to Professor Dale, who succeeds to the chair of Latin at Queen's, which was left vacant by the resignation of Professor Fletcher, who succeeded Mr. Dale in Toronto University. Mr. Dale was a class-mate of Professor Fletcher during their college life, and, like him, distinguished himself as a student. $I-5$ has a high reputation as a classical scholar, a successful teacher, a liberal and broad-minded man who has the students' interests at heart. "Though he has been but a short time among us," the Journal says, "he has already won for himself the respect and esteem of his class, and we feel confident that, under his management, the study of Iatin literature will continue to be one of the most popular among the different studies of our university course."

The conduct of one of the lawyers for the defence in the Holmes trial, which was lately closed by the finding of him guilty of murder in the first degree will, it may be hoped, meet with swift and condign punishment. It appears that this lawyer, Shoemaker by name, actually suborned a witness by the payment of $\$ 20$ to testify falsely on behalf of the accused. To the full,clear and instant exposure of his guilt in open court, the villain had hardly a word to say. Next in guiltiness to the doer of such deeds as Holmes is accused of, is the man who for money, or a professional triumph, or for any reason, would attempt by any unfair means whatever to baulk justice, to screen guilt and let such a monster as Holmes loose on society. The moral obtuseness and utter depravity of the man who could be guilty of such conduct, ought to drive him forcver from the ranks of the profession, to meet with universal abhorrence and cover him with disgrace.

It has for some time been well-known that Mr. Gladstone, who is in several respects the most wonderful man of his day, has been engaged in the work of preparing a new edition of Baker's Analogy, which will shortly make its appearance in two volumes. In the curient number of the Ninetecntiz Ccntury appears the first of two papers from his pen on this immortal work, which may be regarded as the first fruits of the coming volumes "His pen," says a writer in the Presbyterian (London), "has lost none of its cunning by increasing years. He is as keen a controversialist as ever, and in some respects more vigorous than in his earlier writings. His reply to the critics who are
held by some to have demolished Butler's Analogy, is a close piece of reasoning. Though defending Butler from his modern critics, he frankly admits that his work, faithfully adjusted as it was to the needs of his own day, is inadequate to the needs of ours: yet it stands as one of the most powerful works or Christian apolugetics in the language."

In 1837 the split took place in the Presbyterian Church in the United States by which it became divided into what was popularly know as the Old School and the New School. In 1870 they became again united and this being the semi-jubilee ycar of that union it is naturally a year when the now happily united church takesabackward and also a forward look. There are many aspects of a church's life and work which cannot be tabulated and set down in figures. Others can inso far. Referring to the advance in organization and numerical strength, The Mid-Contincnt, of St. Louis, gives this illustration:
 That is the increase has been in Churches 70 per cent., in ministers nearly 60 per cent., and in communicants and Sunday School membership over 100 per cent.

The whole Church will be deeply interested in the announcement which we have the pleasure of making that "From Far Formosa," the work to which Rev. John A.Macdonald, of St. Thomas, has given so much loving labour, and which contains the narrative of the experiences and work in Formosa of our honoured missionary there, Rev. Dr. Mackay, was published in New York on Tuesday the 19th, and is by this time in Toronto. It is very fully illustrated, and a friend who has seen an advance copy says of it, that "it looks exceedingly well." It is unnecessary we know' yet nevertheless we do bespeak for it, a warm reception. We know of no missionary work of our day which has to a greater extent illustrated the same apostolic zeal, courage and consecration to one great and holy purpose, or which has received in a more striking degrec evidences of the divine blessing in the success which has crowned it. The story of this work for Christ in far Formosa will be read with interest by all everywhere who have a missionary spirit, and with greatly intensified interest by young and old in our own Church, to whom the name of Dr. Miackay is a household word, and whose privilege it has been to see his face and hear his burning words.

The following cutting from the British Wiekly, we think it is, will make to many nothing less than a revelation, as to the state of feeling in the-Episcopal Church in Britain, on a subject which deservedly engages much anxious attention amongst ourselves, a state of fecling which, owing to the power and influence of that church, is fraught with the greatest danger to religion and morals, and the well-being of the whole Empire in every way:
${ }^{14}$ At the Church Congress recently in Norwich, Eng. land, one speaker recommended 'golf and lawn tennis as
very suitabie occupations on Sunday afternoons.' Another advocated the opaning on that day of museums and picturegalleries, saying it would give the young people an opportunity for respectable courting.' Some Scottish Episcopalians have just declared in Edinburgh for the Contlanatal Sunday that is, Mass in the moraing, followed by recreations and sports in the afternoo0, ending up with a ball at night." The writer adds, "Really these High Churchites in their desire to get away from Puritadism as far as possible, are losing their beads altogether. The Continentals themselves are nowise proud of their Sunday, many lock wistfully towards the comparative rest and peace weepjoy bere. All tired people need the complete rest. All people. tited or not, need respite and pause for worship and the things of the soul. As a faculty withers and dies if not excrciscd, so rould sparitual religion suffer atrophy withoot a full observance of the Lord's Day. But the obsetvance mast be spiritual, holy, happy, and on New Testament lines."

## Qur Contributors.

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In the preface to his great book, Principal Fairbairn says that the criticism which neither ends in construction, bor makes construction easier has no scientlic char acter, and no function. These may not be his exact words but they express the idea accurately enough for popular purposes. Put in the concrete form, the learned Principal's theory is that a critic who does not construct anything himself, nor help others in construction, is? useless kind of a biped. The making of that aiscovery did not require the profound isarning and splendid ability of the Principal of Mans field College. Some of us who are not Principals, and never will be Principals of anything, found that out long ago. A critic who does nothing usetul himself, and who never helps any other person to do anything useful, is often worse than useless. Quite frequently he is a dowaright nuisance.

Still it may not be quite correct to say that a critic of that kind has no function. His function may be to show that he is a fool. If he kept his mouth shut people might take him for a man of sense. Taking him for a man of sense, they might assign some work to him that only a sensible man can do. Scrious mistakes may be obviated by the revelation which this kind of a critic makes of himself. The function of showing oneself a fool may not be particularly dignified nor inspiring, but it may be over ruled for good.

The function of another critic may be to show that be is an ass. If he lndulged in no criticism people might take him for a philosopher. We have it on good authority that there is no substitute for wisdom, but that silence comes nearer it than anything else. If a critic sald nothing, and contented bimself with merely looking wiser than even Solomon looked in his best days, people might mistake him for a second edition of Solomon enlarged and greatly improved. But the man said something intended for criticism, and by so doing classified him self. His function was to show the class be belonged to and he did it.

The function of a third critic may be to prove that be is a perambulating vinegar cask. He is on bad terms with evergbody and finds fault with everything. Strictly speaking he does not criticise; he merely snarls.

Some critics criticise merely to show that they are there. They rise in the church courts, or at public meetings, or in the public papers mainly to keep themselves in evidence. If they did not keep them. seives in evidence the human family might forget all abou, them. Critics of that kind are comprratively harmless. As soon as they have put themselves fairiy in evidence they usually subside.

There is a good deal of criticism in the Ontario part of the Presbyterian Church just now, and the subjects bandled are Theological education, the saw material out of which a good theological professor can be made and the finished product got ready for the chair. Whether the criticism will be of any use or not depends entirely on the result. If it proves constructive and puts two good professors into Knox College, it will be of great value to the Church. If it neither constructs, nor belps those who are constructiog, it may be worse than useless. The policy that puts the nomination of professors in the bands of Presbyteries is on its trial, and, truth to say, the outlook is not specially encouraging at present.

Parliamest is the place in which you see useful and useless criticism in full play. One member rises and slashes away at a bill, finds fault with it on general principles but sits down without suggesting ang improvement. Another points out what he
considers weak or bad clauses, suggests improvements, amends some clauses, strikes out others and thus helps to construct what be considers a much better measure. Two or three members of coustructive abllity do that and the result often is a good act of parliament.

The two kinds of criticism, the useful and the mere saarl, are ever prescat in the church courts. The useful never, or very rarely, finds fault without suggesting improvement, the useless simply saaris. We bave occasionally beard a man of good constructive abillty poiut out defects in a measure, and candidly confess he could not suggest anything better, but he almostin. variably asked those around him if they could not suggest an improvenent. That, however, is a vastly different thing from mere fault finding for the sake of finding fault.

Have you gone into the criticism buslness? How do you propose to carry it on? Do youmean to work at it in a way that will lead to the construction of something useful, or help others who are trylag to do something useful, or do you mean to do nothing more than snarl ?

A vOTILER REJOINDER TO REV. R. I. MACKAY.

> by rev. charles w. gordon, b.a.

Even when he goes to war Mr. Mackay bears himself with true Higbland courtesy, but I bope indeed it is not war at all.

Let me at the outset set mysefs right with Mr. Mackay on two personal matters. First.-If Mr. Mackay reads again my words upon the point to which he rele:s, he will see that they can not fairly be made to carry the charge of "insincerity" which he finds in them, though be is kind enough to relicve me of "intention "in the charge. My words simply state a certain teudency of mind in Mr. Mackay which makes it easy for bim to fall into the error of accpting a private letter of the convener of the Home Mission Committee for a decision of that committer. "Insincerity" cannot in my mind be associated with the name of Mr . Mackay.

And second.-Mr. Mackay should not have used the expression "antagonizing the Church's efforts to obey the Lord's command "in discussing the question we have in hand. That is a serious cbarge to make; so serious that one wonders if Mr. Mackay realizes its full nature. If Mr. Mackay says "I do not apply these words to Mr. Gordon in particular," the answer is "What place have they then in this letter ?" for I fancy Highland courage forblds that Mr. Mac. kas should strike at another over my back. Perbaps I should not have noticed the cbarge, serious thought it is, and rubbed in though it is by alittle homily, were it not that it bears upon a matter of far more importance than that I should bave some hurt, more or less, done to my feelings ; which, after all, is a matter of comparatively small moment I judge to you Mr. Editor or to your readers. And the matter of importance is this, that when men set forth methods of work they must expect and must allow full and free criticism of these methods. There are who cannot distinguish between a work and a method of doing that work, but Mr. Mackay is ne: one of these, and he must allow me to discuss in the freest manaer his methods or those even of the Forciga Mis. sion Committee, without impuraing ing loyalty to the cause of Foreign Missions, to the Church, or to our Lord. Anything else is buth bopeless and intolerable. Full discussion of methods is essential to the develop ment of a wise and liberal policy, and profitabie dicussion is possible only between men who have confidence in each other's purity of motive and loyalty to the work in question.

Now 1 want to set down some reasons why I do not like this new method of mork proposed by the Foreign Mission Com.
mittec. For it turns out that the circula has the authority of the Forcign Mission Committee and Mr. Mackay will allow that I provided for a possibllity of mistake upon thls point. Now this is somewhat awkward for me, for a committee is not a man, but is a talng of inconvenient and perplexing im personality with which it is difficult to deal I shall avold the Foreign Mission Committee and devote myself to the circular, by which they evidence thair reality and palpability, and shall venture humbly to suggest certain reasons why the scheme should yot be pushed.
I. Thescheme should have been presented to the Cburch through the General Assembly. We do not insist upon our great comistees laying the detalls of their plans be fore them, we coafide these detals to them: with the utmost confidence. But this scheme is too far-reaching in its effects upon our Church life at its most vital spot, viz, in the goung people, to be introduced without the very fullest consideration by the Church. Then, too, in its operation, his scheme will come lato touch with other important departments of work, and heace should be the result of the dellberations, not of a single committee, but of the Church as a whole, and finaily the scheme involves a new principle not pet approved as in tull cousonance with Presbyterian pollty. This aims at doing the work of the Church by what has been called "the fractional method." Instead of advancing by congregations it is proposed to advance by sections of congregations, by societies. It may be a good plan (personally I do not think so) but the point I make here is that good or bad it has not been adopted by our Church. But some one will say: "What of the W.F.M.S. ?" The priaciple involved in the W.F.M.S. is not the same. It is not the assigning a particular fraction of territory to a fraction of the Church, for a fraction of time, and besides there is a natural and special propriety in allowing the women of our Church to show their devotion to Him " who discovered the world's women and children" by assuming the care of all the heathen women and children found within the sphere of our Church's influence. And were it not for this very special propriety it mlght be difficult to find a raison detre for the W.F.M.S. at all. Hence, because it seriously effects the young life of our Church, because it must come into touck with other important schemes, and because it involves a principle not yet approved by the Cburch, for these three reasoas the scheme should have been presented to the Church upon the floor of the Assembly.
II. The scheme is of doubrful value elther to the cause of Foreign Missions, or to the Young Peaple's Societies.

Like Calvinism this circular has its "Five Points," but ualike the Calvinistic points they will not bear examination.
(1). "The spirit of union between societies." I have already shown that, though this has a pleasant sound, it has no practical value. What uaion would this scbeme effect be tween the societies, say, of Paris and Portage la Prairle. Besides this effort at union is along quite wrong lines and the very attempt constitutes one of the dangers Mr. Mackay finds imaginarg. There is a very strong tendency in this age to individualism and to the consequent loosening of congregational bonds. To do our best work as a Cburch we must work as one body, but the first essential is that each congregation be a unit, an organism with one spirit and one aim To this end our young people must be trained to absolute loyalty to the congregaion. It is our conviction that, as a rule, loyally to our master finds best expression in tae life and work of the congregation. The unifying element among congregations is the Church, not any society in the Church, and the strongest bonds the young people should be trained to recognize are those reaching down to them from the Churct, through the coingregation. The Christian Endeavor movement with its splendid spiritual dynamic, and its warm glow of fecling,
has a sprcially strong coluesive tendency, and so mark:d is this tendency, that, at al. most every convention, the utmost stress is lald upon the spirit of the motto: "For Cbrist and the Caurch," lest uaitp amongst the societies should be at the expense of unity between societics and the ir respective congregations. This union a mong socleties lor a spectic work is an extremely doubtiol business.
(2). "The confining of Ohurch funds to approved schemes." The plan proposed bp the committee for attaining this most worthy ends can only be successful if all the fund of the Y.P. Societies are devoted to Honan which is not proposed by the com mittee, for what is to prevent fuads not sc devoted from dribbling off to extra-denomi. national schemes.
(3) "Correspondence with missionaries secured." It is indeed most necessary that our young people and all other people should receive full and arcurate information in regard to our foreign mission work, but uo one will say that this scheme is needed to accomplish this.
(4). "Concentration ol study upon ooe field for one year." This is particularly bad. I could not learn all there is to know about Honan even in a year's study; but with India to know about, and Africa, and the Neglected Continent, and all the other sad dark spots of earth, I can not afford to concentrate study upon Honan for one vear.
(5). "United prayer." I can't understand the view of prayer underlying this proposal. Are we asked to concentrate prayer upona certala field for a year? Men cannot pras to order like that. Praver is a movement of Hife and like all life movements is spontancous. " You can't stop praying," as a very wise man aptly put it, "on the 3 1st of De. cember."

The scheme will not do for Foreiga Missions what the Committee hopes it will do, and it will do a lot of things that the Committee would rather it wouldn't.
III. The scheme was introduced to mem. bers of congregations in an unconstitutional manner. A circular proposing a new and comprebensive scheme of work on the pant of the young people is sent 10 a lady who happeas to be the secretary of the Cbristian Endeavor Society. With the circular comes a letter urging by strong arguments prompt and favorable action, but without any manner of consideration for the Kirk Session, or reference to its opinion much less lts autbor. ity. Now if the lady happens to be judi. clous, as is likely, and the young people patient to await the opinion of the Session, which is possible, and the Session with the minister at its head chances to be composed of "douce buddies" that don't mind har. ing their business done for them by anoutside authority, which is, to say the least, doubtful, then in such a combination of probabilities there mas be no trouble. But I question the right of any committee to ap. proach members of a congregation with an important proposition without first taking the Session lnto its confidence. Now what I have written in this letter is in the interests, first, of Foreign Mission work, which I believe will be injured by the adoption of the scheme proposed by the circular, and, secondly, in the interests of a better understanding of the relations that the various departments of our Church work bold to each cther and to the lite of the Church as a whole. I may have "Home Mission eges," but just for the present I am resolutely careful to regard this matter not from a Home Mission point of vew. For any sake let us be done with this talk of "antagonism" between departments of wo $\&$ which cannot exist apart from each other, and of which one cannot fail without disaster to the other. We are clear about that point. Then it we find men representing these departments in antagonism to each other, either these meo are frong, or they are the victims of wrons in the system under which they work. Whea we are convinced that the men are right mea, as is my conviction with regard to Mr: Mackay, wo are drlven to the conclusios
that the wrong is somewhere in the system. I am not going to say any of the hot things hat were in my heart when I read that ugly word "antagonize," connecting me with the work that after all lies closest to all our hearts, the conquest of the world for Christ. For I think of how very far back We stand from the lines of our vanishing must regard us. Believe me, and
Mr. am not pleading even for defensive warfare, which would be a plea for final extinction. But 1 do ask for a wisely planned Campaign in which the rear will be well guarded and a clear path kept between the front and the base of operations. It was no bold dash of valor that won for England the laurels of Torres Vedras or of Waterloo. Those laurels England owes to the stay of the British soldier and the consummate generalship of the Iron Duke, whose genius was nowhere more brilliantly evident than in bis care of the commisariat and transport departments and in his consummate protection of his army's rear. By all means let us advance but let it be in such manner as shall be for the destruction of our enemies rather than of ourselves. What we want is one policy about which the various departments have come to agreement, not two policies, ${ }^{\text {or }}$ three, pushed independently of each other with varying success.
If our administration were after the manner proposed,; the Church would cease to be a kind of happy hunting ground for the colleges, or for the various great committees, but the Church would have a Church policy, with the various departments properiy adlusted, which would command the hearty lopalty of every son of the Church. This Would prevent the occurence of such shameCul legislation as that the Home Mission Committee was forced to adopt last spring, Which calmly reduced by $25 \%$ the salaries of men who of all our laborers are the bardest Worked, the least appreciated, and the poor est paid. This, too, would make impossible the issue of such a circular as has now been issued by the Foreign Mission Committee Which is intrinsically unwise and manifestly Fregular, and which, in the interests both of Foreign Mission and of Church life and work generally, I venture still to think should be mithdrawn. I close with very kind personal regards to Mr. Mackay.
Winnipeg.
TO VISITORS OF PALESTINE.

## by rev. J. r. battisby, ph.d.

I have been asked frequently, since my return from the East, as to the propriety of visiting Palestine in the summer, rather than the spring. It is needless to say that belore my visit, I had no actual experience and thad therefore no great preference as to the time of visiting the Holy Land.

But I prefer the summer for the following among many reasons, viz.
(I). I could secure supply for my pulpit easier in the summer than in the winter or (2).
(2). Hotel fare is lower in the summer than in the winter, as they are not crowded any means.
(3). Dragomen have not so much to do in the summer, as in the winter, and are easier to bargain with.
(4). The weather is so steady, and the Round so dry that you can sleep anywhere. (5). One does not require to take heavy Clothing with him in the summer, which he mist do in the winter, and hence he can go Hith far less baggage, which is a most im. Portant consideration. The less he takes
the better

If any of our ministers or laymen intend Coming the trip, I would most cordially recornmend two Dragomen with whom I ine and Mren in Padestine, viz.: Mr. Dom-
The former is a man of great experience,
Wing been a Dragoman for twenty-five
herg. The latter is a fine intelligent young
man, thoroughly acquainted with the country and places of scriptural interest, and also of large experience. I could trust these men anywhere, and can speak in the high est terms of their courtesy and kindness.

If any of our brethren intend taking this, journey, these men, either of them or both, will meet them at Jaffa and pass them through the custom house without any trouble, and this is no small matter. All tourists must take a passport with them, which they obtain by applying to the Government at Ottawa.

There are just two very hot places in the summer season, viz., Jericho and Tiber ias, on the Sea of Galilee. You are not long in either place, and as I stood it well, so can others.
Chatham.

## THE PEOILLES BIBLE.*

There seems to have been laid on Dr. Parker the necessity of completing his great homiletic work in twenty seven volumes, else the attempt would not have been made to crowd seventeen books of the New Testa ment into a single volume of 459 pages.

As is to be expected, the contents are fragmentary and various. For four of the epistles there is only an annotated text, viz., 2nd, Thessalonians ; 2nd and 3rd John, and Jude. Then, for three others, Phillppians, 2nd Timothy and Philemon, there is but one discourse, each, on a special short passage. There are seven discourses on Hebrews and four on Revelation. "Handfuls of purpose" finds a place at the close of Colossians. These various limits exclude the treatment of difficult points, but they do not hide the author's characteristics. These appear in the titles of sermons, as "The Gospel for Christians"; "The Apostolic Album" "Euperistatos," and in the special features of treatment that mark the earlier volumes. The same freshness of expression and originality of thought are found here also. But the practical value of the book will be found to lie in stimulus, suggestion, and practical application of truth to the affairs of daily life rather than exposition of the Word.

The People's Bible, now complete, is a wondrous production as the work of one man. It is a permanent enrichment of theological literature and will make the Word of God more practical to thousands, while indicating its pre-eminent richness and power.

The close and prolonged study required to produce it has served to deepen and intensify Dr. Parker's conviction of the truthfulness and transcendent supremacy of this book above all others. It is certainly en. couraging and re-assuring to read these words written at the close of this great undertaking :
"I close my book amongst the fastthickening shadows of the nineteenth century. I believe that the new century cannot do, and will not attempt to do without the Bible. . . . Other books are as trees planted and trimmed and pruned with periodical care ; but the Bible belongs to the forestry of thought, event, direction and sovereignty which human bands never planted - a church built and aisled and lighted in a way beyond the ways of man.

In my judgment the only preaching that can do profound and lasting good must be Biblical. Such preaching cannot be monotonous nor disappointing to men who sincerely wish to commune with God, and obey His will.

To me the Bible is a divine revelation -a revelation of God, Providence, Sin, Atonement, Faith, Immortality. . . . The reading (of it) has made me an unquestioning and grateful believer in the plenary inspiration, the divine authority and the infinite sufficiency of Holy Scripture, and, therefore, I can the more earnestly and definitely encourage others to impose upon themselves the sacred task. I know that the Bible is

inspired. It addresses itself to every aspec and every necessity of my nature ; it is my own biography; I seem to read it in some other world. We are old friends; the breathing of Eternity is in us toth, and we have happened together, toward mutual joy in this rough shore of time. I never know how great a Book it is until I try to do with out it ; then the heart aches; then the eyes are put out with the great tears of grief; then the house is no house of mine ; then life sinks under an infinite load of weariness."

## THE BOYS' BRIGADE IN CANADA.

This Christian organization having for its object the winning of boys to Christ and enlisting them logally in his service and as memlers of His Church, is making rapid advances throughout the Dominion, having in six months increased from 75 companies and 2,639 boys to 120 companies and 5,000 boys at the present time.

The first annual returns from companies are now being received by the Secretary and in almost every case the officers and pastors testify to the good that is being done; repsrting a general improvement in the conduct of the boys and a very gratifying number of additions to the roll of the churches from their ranks.

The Boys' Brigade embraces all denominations; each company being wholly controlled and officered by the Church or Chris. tian association with which it is connected; but there is a central office or headquarters where the companies are enrolled and whence are issued the printed forms, pamphlets, etc., that are used by the companies; and where all information may be obtained with regard to the objects of the Brigade and the best way to organize and manage a company. From the headquarters also an influence is exerted upon all the officers of companies by way of encouraging and help. ing them to maintain a high standard of efficiency in their companies and especially to keep steadily before their minds the true object and high ideal of the Boys' Brigade ; where this is done, the results, as a rule, are satisfactory and friends are raised up to help the work; where this is not done it is not surprising that the results are unsatisfactory and the Brigade is discredited before the public. Officers should therefore feel, not only their responsibility for their own individual company but remember that the public will judge the Brigade as a whole by what they see in the local company, The Secretary devotes his whole time to the work, which is rapidly increasing in volume; he is at present visiting all the companies in the Maritime Provinces and Quebec ; and holding meetings with a view to interest the pub. lic more fully and to secure subscribers to the headquarters fund. Office and printing expenses have to be met and the work is hampered by want of monev. Subscriptions will be thankfully received and receipts is sued for the same by Mr. T. W. Nisbet, Brigade Secretary, Headquarters office, Sarnia, Ont. All contributions will also be acknowledged in The Boys' Brigade Gazette.
" There is an intense need amongst boys of Christian help and guidance;" in The Brigade boys are brought into very close touch with their officers who are thus able to understand their needs and to supply the want. Will not all fathers and mothers, and all Christian Endeavourers help on this great and hopeful work for the boys of our land ?

We would call the attention of Sunday School Christmas Committees to a Christmas service conlaining eight very beautiful carols, responsive reading, etc., most suitably arranged for an inter-
esting Christmas Anniversary. The music is esting Christmas Anniversary. The music is
bright and joyous and of a grade which will be easily learned by all. Wm. A. Pond \& Co., pubishers, 25 Union Square, N.Y.

Dr. Nelles and Dr. Wyckoff respectfully an nounce to the cutizens of Toronto that they have opened dental parlors at 179 College St. Dr.
Nelles is a graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, and a member of Che Royal Dental Surgery, and a member of the Royal
College, and has had many years experience in College, and has had many years experience in
the city of Loondon and comes to Toronto with
the highest testimonials.

## Ceacher and $\mathfrak{m c b o l a r}$.



There is no means of ascertaining with exactness the length of time which elapsed between the secret anointing of David at Bethlehem, and this, the occasion of his being brought prominent. y before the public notice. In the natural workings of God's providence David has been brought
to Saul's court to exercise his skill in music for to Saul's court to exercise his skill in music for
driving away the evil spirit from the Lord which driving away the evil spirit from the Lord which had come upon the King. Just previous to his his father's house and resumed the care of his ather's flocks. Probably the activity and excitement incident to war had given Saul temporary respite from his evil spirit, so rendering David's presence with him unnecessary. The story of which our lesson forms the centrepiece is so well known that it is not necessary to detail it. Try rayed upon hillsides over against each other arrayed upon hillsides over against each other, with
the valley between. See the soldiers being the valley between. See the soldiers being mar
shalled for battle, then hark! What is this we shalled for battle, then hark! What is this we hear? A voice like thunder challenging any of
the champions of Israel to set!le the issue between he armies by a single combat, and closing with he most insulting defiance of Israel and Israel's God. Surely Saul, the giant King of Israel, will accept the challenge. But no! neither Saul nor any of his army is willing to face all but certain death at the hand of the redoubtable Goliath of Gath. Stay, however! here comes a ruddy strip. ing before King Saul with the quiet offer to go and fight the Philistine. It seems absurd, but it Israel's only chance of escape. Therefore Sau young champion is possessed of even he is constrained to say, "Go, and God be with yuu." His own tried armor is fitted to the youth, but proves too cumbersome and is laid aside! And now the two champions stand face to face, and we re ready to winaess contest.
I. The Champions-Never was there a greater contrast vetween men! The Philistine, about half as tall again as the tallest man in Israel head to foot with the best of armor, armed in the head to foot with the best of armor, armed in the
most approved nanner with weapons each of which most approven to an ordinary man, and an expert in the matter of fighting! While I,rael's champion is a beardless lad not yet fully grown, his clothing the simple dress of the shepherd, his shepherd's crook in one hand and an ordinary sling in the other with five smooth stones in his scrip. Th contest seems a most unequal one. Hear the giant laugh in derision at sucn a champion! See the look of disdain on his face 1 Hear the scorn ful and blasphemous words which fall from his lips as he gets ready to wipe David out of exist ence with one blow of his mighty sword! Goliath he has dashed in pieces many a mighty warrior he will have no difficulty with this boy who com against him as thcugh he were only a dog to be warded off from a flock of sheep. But the other champion is not daunted, upon his face there is calm trust and cofident assurance depicted. He is fighting the battle of Jehovah, that Jehovah who never changes, that Jehovah who gave His servant the victory over fierce beasts o the forest, when it was only the life of a lamb which was at stake. Jehovah will not forsake him now when it is the welfare of His chosen peo ple which is at stake, nay more, when it is Hi phemer, cursing Jehovah and His servant by the phemer, cursing fehovah and approach each by the Philistines gods 1 So they approach each other,
the giant, disdaining to let down the visor of his helmet, striding forward to crush his opponent at blow, and David slipping one stone into his sling and as he whirls it around his head, breaking into a run to meet his foe. Surely the lad rushes to his death, a martyr in a noble cause! Wait, however, till we see
II. The Contest.-Goliath's battle-cry is curses by bis guds, Navid's "The battle is the Lord's." Short and sharp is the fight. Goliath' confidence is his undoing : for forth from the shepherd's sling flies one of the smooth stones straight
at the open visor of the giant. Crash it sinks into the exposed forehead; down drops the cum berous spear, weak grow the mighty knees and Philistia's champion lies prone upon the ground Then light-footed David is upon him in a moment that mighty swoyd which has sent to death many a warrior is whirled aloft in the stripling's bands and down it comes upon its owner's neck with such force as to sever the head, and Goliath is dead. Along with their champion die the Philistines courage and conhence, and they fiee with Israel is pursuit. What a mighty victory! What
does the story mean for us? There are so many does the story mean for us? There are so many
fights which it may be used to illustrate that one scarce knows what to select. In a sense every child of God is called to be a champion for God and to fight for the deliverance of God's purchased possession. "The battle is the Lord's" taken into a heart of faith will secure victory for us over giant Self and giant Sin, even as it did for David over Goliath, or the lesson may be used to illustrate the struggle between Christianity and the great giants of falsehood, superstition and infidelity, which is being waged to-day. The covenant
David, Jesus Christ, is our leader. The victory is certain, for God is with us. The victory will be complete with plenty to spare. David had left be complete with plenty to spare. Divid had left four
smooth stones unused. Let us thank God and

# Dastor and 『eople. 

GOOD AND ILL.
The wild bee sucks from bitter thyme A savory, lucious honey,
And gathers sweets from noisome marsh As well as bowers sunny.
The oyster in her silent bome
Conceals a grievance cruel
Till from her painful cross and wound Is wrought a precious jewel!
The leaves assailed by blighting blast With hectic flush are tainted,
Yet gorgeously in aftermath
The forest kings are painted
And Winter gives a biting kiss
From chiling lips and hoary,
et clothes the palace and the woon
With wondrous, matchless glory
The gathering clouds confront the sun
With threatening storm and thunder That spoil our day-but rainbow comes, A beauty and a wonder !
And base-born smoke, soaring to heaven, Obscures the blue so tender A wreathed, crimson splendor
The opal's luster is a flaw
Of fissure and refraction,
The ruby's glow a cosmic throe
In sudden, fierce contraction ;
And what is good and what is ill
Lies far beyond our knowing,
Seems only in the what is foul
And we in life's perplexities
May spare our pain and guessing,
Since bees and bivalves teach us how
From evil to gain blessing
Lo! in the very train of ill,
Hope's visions are attending,
And days that spring in leaden gloom

Writen for The Canaia Presbyterian.

## A SACRED TRUST.

"Watch ye, and keep them, until ye weigh them before the chief of the priests, and the Levites, and the princes of the Fathers' houses of Israel at Jerusalem, in the chambers of the House of the Lord." These are the words with which Ezra (viii. 29) committed to the chief of the priests the silver and the gold and the vessels designed for the service of the Lord in the temple at Jerusalem. The journey was long and perilous; at least four months would be spent skirting the Sprian desert and descending to Jerusalem. Nor was the way safe, save as "the hand of our God is upon all them that seek Him." So to these twelve was entrusted the treasure, to be kept truly until, the iourney accomplished, the trust should end in the chambers of the House of the Lord.

The ascended Christ "gave gifis unto men" as he led captivity captive; and those gifts with which he enriched his church are given " for the perfecting of the saints, unto the work of ministering, unto the building up of the body of Christ ; till we all attain unto the unity of the Faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God; until, in short, the $S$ wiviour's prayer be realized, that his disciples manifest the unity which he himself has manifested as between the Father and the Son. Plainly we have not vet reached that consummation, nor arrived with our trust to "the chambers of the house of the Lord." As Ezra and his companions, we are on the journey; and the charge he gave to his pilgrim priests may be legitimately applied to our Presbyterian congregations, entrusted as they are with certain treasures to be watchfully retained and conveyed till "the unity of the faith" is reach. ed at Jerusalem the heavenly, in the chambers of the House of the Lord. It is my purpose to indicate some of these trusts, for if what is known as Presbyterianism has no special trust, its manifest duty yould be to stand aside and yield its place. Trusts, however, we belleve firmly it has.

The Confession of Faith is an historic document which to be thoroughly understood requires a knowledge of struggles and controversies that in the forms then assumed have passed away. For the general reader such enquiries are neither profitable
nor posslble; nor is it desirable that the endless controversies that gather around Calvinism be considered; in the days of the Westminister divines evangelical theology was Calvinistic ; Arminius would have been more than satisfied with the "moderate Calvinism" of our pulpits to-day. The church that retains the Westminster symbols claims to be but one of the evangelical churches of the land. Nevertheless there are certain trusts that may be emphas'zed as specially held by our Church to day, among its companion pilgrims to the chambers of the House of the Lord; some broad principles which its subordinate standards enshrine, to which assent was given when adhesion was declared to the doctrine contained in the Confession, and which we may earnestly and confidently hold.

First.-Catholiclty. Calvin deplored division as one of the greatest evils that could afflet the Cburch of God. The Confession was a determined endeavor for unity in the faith. Its spirit is eminently Catholic. Mark its definition of the visible church : "The visible church consists of all those throughout the world that profess the true (i.c., the Christian) religion together with their children" (xxv. I, 2.4; xxvi. 1). No intimation that succession in an Episcopate is needed to make its organization regular or valid; no setting up of a special form of ordinance as a barrier to its full communion; no insertion of rules enjoining, $e g$., "buying of one another," thus em phasizing the dividing line; but a full recogni tion as brethren of all throughout the world that " are united to Jesus Christ their head by His spirit, and by faith bave fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection and glory." I am not contending that there is no narrowness, bigotry and many other ugly things among us. I am simply presenting some marked principles to which we ministers gave our assent as we recognized the teaching of Scripture voiced in the subordinate standard.

Secondly.-The Scriptures are emphasized as the foundation covenant of the Church, "unto which nothing is at any time to be added" (i. $5-7$, xxxi. 4 ; xxv. 5). Over all decrees of councils, opinions of ancient writers, doctrines of men, and private spirits is "the Holy Spirit speaking in the Scripture.' As a Church we may have erred in interpretation. "All synods or councils since the apostle's times may err, and many have erred." Our testimony at all times may not have been free from the baser admixture," the purest churches under heaven are subject both to mixture and error," but ever before us we have set as our arbiter and guide "the Word of God." And as all Scripture testifies of Christ, the exaltation of Scripture is the exaltation of Christ. We hear frequently in what are known as progressive circles, " Back to the historic Christ." That has ever been the position of the Presbyterian symbols. Back to those Scriptures which testify of Him. No doubt our vision has often been obscured, imperfect, even double ; but the principle remains, and thitherward we ever struggle.

Thirdly.-Stress has ever been laid on individual, personal relation to God in Christ, as alone fitting for a place among the congregation. I know it has sometimes been said : "You Presbyterians admit anybody to your fellowship." We may forebear judg. ing more than some, in that I for one be. lieve we are following our Master ; but our testimony is plain. I shall not touch here upon the vexed question of election, but the believer and the elect are one, and of such we are told that they have "taken away from them their heart of stone, and have given unto them hearts of flesh; are renewed in their wills and by His almighty power determined to that which is good" (x. I). A renewed and sanctified life is demanded, that emphatically, nothing more or less. Lastly, with this emphatic individuality is secured the organic unity of the whole.

Oar entire system centering in the Genera Assembly is a constant reminder that
" We are not divided, all one body we,"
that as "all saints that are united to Jesus Christ their head by His spirit and by faith, have fellowship with Him in His graces, sufferinge, death, resurrection and glory," so also they "are bound to maintain an holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God, and in performing such other spiritual services as tend to their mutual edification, as also in relieving each other in outward things according to their several abilities and necessities. Which communion, as God offereth opportuntty, is to be extended unto all those who in every place call upon the name of the Lord Jesus " (xxvi. I-2).

Here are four golden principles enshrined in the Confession that have been weighed out to us for offerings in the house of our God. Catholicity ; Supremacy of Christ as in the Scriptures set forth; Individual re. eponsibility ; Corporate Unity. Are we earning as we journey, the final "Well done?" With what joy the faithful custodian of Ezra's company would empty out his rich treasure upon the temple floor and rejoice as the scales gave evidence of a trust faithfully kept. What shame and confusion if amid the general rejoicing "Tekel-found wanting," should be recorded. Ah, the banishment and outer darkness.

In thus emphasizing. certain principles woven into the very texture of our Presby. terian polity I am not seeking to draw invidious comparisons, I am prepared to substantiate the statement that they are so thoroughly inseparable from our conslitution that we may safely claim them as special deposits and to present them as incentives to a more decided conviction that we have as a distinct branch of the Christian Church distinct witnessing to bear. May our congregations all more thoroughly appreciate their trust, and realize, amid the distractions of this closing century, that they have a great work to do.

## THE PREACHER AND THE TIMES.

But you ask me, Must not a preacher keep abreast of the times? Yes, just as the angel did. He tells them nothing new in science, gives them no lecture on contemporaneous history, nor does he go back into the past and tell them of sins their fathers committed. He is fully up to the times as regards the sins, of the people to whom he speaks. And thus, while you beware of usurping the places of editor and protessor, claiming to be a preacher, beware also of wasting breath on heresies which are dead and sins which are passed away. Do not spend your time denouncing the worship of Jupiter, nor learnedly refute the errors of the Manicbæans, but talk to the people of the sins they are committing and the temptation which assail them. If you will deal honest. ly and faithfully with all the forms of sin found among your people, holding up ever the atoning blood as the great remedy for sin, and Jesus as the great exemplar in righteousness, you will fiad you will have more than enough whereon to speak with. out retailing the news of the day. Besides never forget that it is of little consequence to your hearers if they are told of a false theory of molecular attraction; and if they do not know when distinguished men die, or famous cities burn, or ships sink; but is of vital, eternal moment that their theorv of the way of salvation should be true and that they should know that Jesus Christ died to save sinners.-T. T. Eaton, D. D., in the Homiletic Review.

Arbitration has had a more prominent place in international politics than most of us are a ware of. We see the statement that, since 1816, there have been one hundred and twelve arbitrations between the European nations, the United States, and the states of Central and South America. Thirty times the United States has so settled its difficulties.

## A GREAT COMMANDMENT: DON'T WOR'RY ABOUT

 TIIE MORROW.Take therefore no thought for the morrow. --Matt
This is one of the passages tbat Mr. Robert Ingersoll reads and pronounces it olly. But is it not rather one of the wisest sentences ever uttered? The original means, "Take no anxious thought," or, in the language of every-day life, "Don't worry." Christ applies it to the future, to food and drick and shelter and raiment. He saw clearly that the anxiety about the evils of to-morrow, that never come upon $45_{1}$ causes a million-fold more suftering and death than the evils that come. He saw that multitudes perish of worry about the bunger and thirst and exposure that never come, for every one that actually dies of real hunger, thirst and exposure. Christ show ed His infinite wisdom in avoiding the supreme folly of Mr. Ingersoll, and saying, "Don't worry," instead of saying, "Don't perish of hunger, or thirst, or cold, or $\mathrm{ex}^{\mathrm{x}}$. posure." He at the same time showed His infinite beneficence is revealing that universal and loving providence in which evert one who will "seek first the kingdom of heaven" can find sure refuge from the dread and the worry. Is there any lesson that a hurrying, worrying world so needs to learn as this one of safety and peace from the lips of Tesus? Is not this a great commandment with promise? - Extract from "Hints at the Meaning of Texts," in The Homiletic Reviezu.

## THE BROKEN BUCKLE.

You have read in history of that bero who, when an overwhelming force was in full pursuit, and all his followers were urg. ing him to more rapid fight, cooly dismount's ed, in order to repair a flaw in the horse's harness. Whilst busied with the broken buckle the distant cloud swept down in near er thunder; but just as the prancing hoor and eager spears were ready to dash dow upon him the flaw was mended, the clasp was fastened, the steed was mounted, anl like a swooping falcon he had vanished from their view. The broken buckle would bave left him on the field a dismounted and inglorious prisoner; the timely delay sent him in safety back to his bustling comrades. There is in daily life the same luckless pre cipitancy and the same profitable delay. The man who, from his prayerless a waked ing, bounces intojthe business of the day, however good his talents and great his gence, is only galloping on a steed harnes sed with a broken buckle, and must not mar vel if, in his hottest haste or more hazardous leap, he be left inglorious in the dust; ad though it may occasion some littic dela before hand, his neighbour is wiser who ${ }^{\text {sel }}$ all in order before the march begins. $-R$ James Hamilton.

The Christian Register says:-" If there are religious tramps who go from churcb ${ }^{\text {d }}$ church, there are also the well-rooted steed goers who may be found in the same Sup and in the same pew from Sanday to day. The minister expects to find church there just as any other part of the chan be furniture. He thinks of them whed it. writes his sermon, and when he delivernd Their attendance at church does not depener upon barometer, thermometer, or any ohether weather instrument. The question whe the to they shall go to church does not come regulat them at all. They go to church as reges on ly on Sanday as they go to their business in Monday. Nothing but positive physical ${ }^{\text {ba }}$ ability can keep them at home. ability can keep them at home.
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Bishop Sessums, of Louisiana, sals "An education which leaves out the is not complete ; it is an injustice to ion, o man nature. It is a very poor religt le the other hand, which undertakes our education.'

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ThaINING FOR FOREIG.V MIS SION WORK.

The subject of systematic training for missionaries who are going to the Foreign field is one that is now attracting attention from the boards of nearly all the different churches. An experience of more than twenty years on the Foreign field has convinced me that much time is lost by new mistionaries because of the lack of that preparation which might have been received before leaving the home land. For lostance, some who tris not habltual students lose time and find great difficulty in acquirlog the language because they do not know bow to apply themselves in a systematic way. Otbers agaln, get the language without much trouble, but do not know how to enter upon active work. In cases where the beginner is willing to be a learner and put himself under the tuition of one older in the work, content to fill the place of assistant until he can "go alone," there is not apt to be much loss of time in gettlog lato work, though very much depends even here on his fitness for the various kinds of work into which be is initiated. But if he is without this paternal care on beginning his work: and either from inclination or misfortune has to start out on his own resources, be is constantly making mistakes from lack of know. ledge, from doing things the wrong way or from trying different kinds of work. Much of this might be avolded by a special course of training before going to the field.

Having settled the importance of this duty, the next polnt that comes up, is the kind of training needed. There is use for so many and varied kinds of knowledge on the Foreign field, that one can not have ton great a "diversity of gifts" to satisfy all demands. There are some things, however, which may be emphasized as almost essential for successtul work. Spiritual qualifications are taken for granted in the case of one who feels the call to the Foreign field, and stand high over all others of practical knowledge. First of all in importance is a thorough acquaintance with the Word of God, and the ability to explain its orcinary meaning. This is emphatically our "Book of Authority" in all things which we teach, and a great part of the Foreign missionary's work is to guide and instruct the native Cbristians in their investigatious into the written Wo:d. How can this be done in any satisfactory way unless the teacher has been himself carefully and thoroughly instructed?

Another important branch of knowledge is connected with medicine and the treatment of simple diseases, as well as experience in nursing the sick. It often bappens that one is far away from a regular physician and has to depend on himselt in case of sickness occuring in his own household, to say nothing of the endless amount of good to be accomplished among the natives by a limited supply of simple remedies with the knowledge to use them judiciously. It often falls to the lot of a missionary to nurse those associated with him in the work through cases of severe and protracted illness, and a little experience or training in this line will save valuable lives to the work.

Of course to those who expect to engage in teaching, a reasonable amount of experience is almost a necessity, and it bardly seems fair to take precious time on the field to get the experience which should be gain ed before leaving home.

In addition to what has been mentioned, any practical training in the way of manual work suited to the sphere of man or woman, will not come amiss. If one's lot is cast in the interior, far away from the ordinary scurce of supply, his ingenuity is taxed to the utmost in furnishing some of the most common things of life. In suck cases there seems to $\div=$ no kind of knowledge which does not come into play. In the line of
bousekecping, for instance, a woman's quick wit and experionce has saved ber family much discomiort ; and so it might be said of many other things.

The next point is to decide how and where this training can be obtained. In many cases a varied exparience in the various mentloned llass makes a course in a training school unnecessary; but tothe poung man or woman frest from home or college, whose contact with the lower classes is limited, and who has had no experience in home mission work, a year or two of training in these kinds of work is worth far more than the time lost by the delay in getting to the field. For this purpose the establlshment of regular training schools uader compeient instructors, is one of the most hopeful signs in the present policy and management of missions. They furnish the means for obtaining these advantages which fit one for the best work on the field, and by giving him an insight into what is expected of him, they enable him to decide as to his ability and fitness for the work. If one is mistaken as to his call to the foreign feld, or is lacking in those qualifications which are most essential to successful work, this is very apt to be developed in a course of preparatory study and training. In this way he can be tested before going to the field, and the society spared the expense of outfit and transportation.

In Eugland this special training is becoming more and more a requirement of the foreign mission boards, and in this country there are now several excellent institutions of this sind under the control of denominathonal boards. Many are availing themselves of the advantages thus given, but would it not be well to make it obligatory on the part of all who offer themselves for the work, to get more or less of this testing and training before they are sent to the field? For ladies, especially, who have not previously been engaged in any regular work, this training would be invaluable, and the benefit would work both ways. The wives of missionaries would realize the same benefits as the single ladies, as this previous preparation would enable them to utilize many moments of time in the midst of a busy household life.

As the work on the field develops and broadeds, the very best material is needed in the work to meet its requirements. So it does seem eminently wise and fitting that the best means should be employed to bring about this desirable result. So far as we can see there is no better way, humanly speaking, of producing efficient workers, than in giving them a thorough and practical training before they enter upon their life work.-Mrs. Joln L. Stewart in Woman's Work for Women

In Dingab, Pumjab, the missionaries of the Church of Scotland have met with much opposition from the Hindus (Sikhs). But one of the most prominent of the adversar. ies bad just been won over in a remarkable way. He asked for a private interview with the miss !onary, who expected a fierce expression of hostility, and was immensely surprised when the man pulled out a New Testament and said: "Sahib, I have read this book, and I find it to be pure and holy. Up to ten days ago I was a bitter opponent of yours. I gave a public lecture against you and against your work. Then I resolved that I would expose your book. So I began to read it in order to pick faults in it; but, do you know, as I read it I was drawn to it. My heart was captivated, and now I cannot oppose you. I know God's light is to that book."

From the twenty fourth annual report of the Evangelical Church of Italy, it appears that in connection with this body there are twenty-six churches and thirty-five stations, with 132 places visited regularly. The ordained ministers number twente one; evangellsts, ten ; colporteurs, eight. There are teachers and Bible-women, Sundayschools, and associations for poung people. The communicants number 1,697 , and the adherents 6,315 .

PULIPIT, PRESS AND PLATFORM.
Rutherlord: There are depths of love in Christ beyond all that we have seen. Therefore dig deep, and labour, and take palus for Him, and set by as much time for Him as pou cat. He will be won by tabour.

Great Thoughts: A personal dignity which cannot take care of itself cannot be protected by incessant guarding. The quality of a great creative nature is unconsclousness, and this is also the characteristic of a great character.

Mid-Contivent : Cease freting and begin praising. Quit murmuring and begin siaging. The Lord is the same Lord. He will deliver in the future as He has done in the past. Sometine He may bide His face for a little while but for cternity He will never forsake.

Gladstone. No wave on the great ocean of Time, when once it has floated past us, can be recalled. All we can do is to watch the new form and motion of the next and launch upon it to try, in the manner our best judgment map suggest, our strength and skill.

Dr. Wm. M. Taylor: Carist fits His ministers through manifold experiences of sorrow and pain for the bighest service. He writes their best scrmons for them on their own bearts by the sharp stylus of trial. Such as He would make most eminent in His service, He takes furthest with Him into Gethsemane.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward : Reading above all things widens one's world ; it takes one to new scenes and gives one new friends. Perhaps this is especially so in regard to fiction. It is within the power of good imaginative literature to transpors us into an. other world. And what is true of fiction is still more true, or quite as true, of biog. raphy.

Ryle: However false or unhealthy religious feeling may sometimes be, the great truth stills remains behind, that feeling is the secret of doing. The heart must be engaged for Christ or the hands will soon bang down. The effections must be enlisted in His service, or our obedience will soon stand still. It will always be the loving workman who will do most in the Lord's vineyard.

Frederick W. Robertson: There are few temptations more common to ardent spirits than those which lead them to repine at the lot in which they are cast, believing that in some other situation they could serve God better. If each such man had the spirit of self-surrender, the spirit of the Cross, it would not matter to him whether he were doing the work of the mainspring or one of the inferior parts. It is his duty to try and be himself-simply to try to do his own duty.

Rev. James Millar: When Jesus met the advances of Nicodemus with the blunt stament: "Ye must be born again," he was simply puating into a sentence the sum of human experience. For conversion is the first need of humanity, as the guarantee of it is the first promise of Christ's religion. His gospel is in this respect the gospel of civllization. The commentary of history is that the Gentiles-" the heathen"-are only fitted to take a place amongst the nations as they are converted. Before the individ. ual can be elevated to his proper place, and rightly use the faculties be possesses, he must be "turned '2to another man." Hence it is that the nineteenth century, which is pre-eminentip the missionary century of Christendom, is a century of triumphs of civilization.

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So numerous and so signal bave been God's triumph in the mission field that the subject could be better presented in a volume than in a single column of a newspaper. God has triumphed gloriously in the South Sea Islands. Probably there never was a class of people more deeply sunk in the mire of degredation and superstition than were the inhabitants of Polynesia. So very meagre were their attainments, and so far removed were they from anything like what obtains in civilized society that one might almost be excused if be questioned whether even the Gospel could raise up such a people. And yet many a timesince the year 1816 , rhen John Williams, "the Apostle of Polynesia," 'anded there, the Christian world has been astonished and pleased by tidings of what the Gospel bas done and is dolng. Men who were once cruel, brutal and degraded, were so transformed that they became kind, earnest, considerate. Women, who were once treated in the most barbarous and revolting manner, are now looked upon as God intended they should be-as the friends and compantons of their busbands and brothers. Children once had sharp sticks thrust through their ears, and were driven to heathen temples, but now they are treated with tenderness and sympathy. It is said that when Williams went to Raratonga in 1823, he found all the inhabitants beathen; that when he left in 1834, they were all professed Cbristians; that instead of heathen temples there were three large churches with an attendance of six thousand; that instead of heathen rites in their homes God was worshipped as in the dwellings of Jacob.

The cause of God has signally triumphed in Madagascar. The story of the entrance of missionaries into that island, the blesslogs with which God accompanied their efforts, the determined stand taken by some to check the work and to exterminate Cbristianity there; the zeal with which the enterprise was taken up again; the way in which Christianity broke down the barriers which opposed it, eradicated superstitious notions and overthrew idolatrous practicesall tals makes verv stimulating and exciting reading.

A very woncierful triumpb, humanly speaking, has been won in the Island of Formosa op our own Dr. G. L. MacKay, one of the most apostolic missionaries in modern times. It is only twenty-three years siace he landed on that Island, aud yet though be had no knowledge of the language spoken by the people, be soon acquired 11 , and in a remarkably short time he was the instrument of leading first one and then another from the darkness of heathenism into the light of the Gospel. According to the statement submitted to the last General Assembly there are now in the field two ordaned ly there are now in the field two ordained
native preachers, sixty preachers who are native preachers, sixty preachers who are
not ordained, twenty four Bible women, i,738 communicants and sixty chapels.

It would be an easy matter to dwell upon great and glorious achievements in China, Japan, Persia, Burmah, India and many other countries, but it is scarcely necessary inasmuch as the literature bearing on these subjects is abundant and can be easily procured.

Notwithstanding what God has wrought, we are told by some who regard themselves as very wise, and who put ferth claims to superior knowledge of foreign lands tha: mission work is a failure, and that it is useFess to prosecute ir further. One regrets to find that such a man as Mr. Flinders Petrie, the great Egpptologist, should, indirectly, at least, lend countenance to this vicw. But even if the triumphs had not besn so remarkable as they have been, it would be our duty -because the Master has commanded itto continue sending the Gospel to others. And there must be no retrenchment in this work until the Word of God has been proclaimed to every nation under heaven.
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## TORONTO, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER $27 \mathrm{TH}, \mathrm{I} 895$.

LORD SALISBURY is of the opinion "that the terrible Armenian problem is quite as much the want of competent men as it is the want of adequate laws." And the same might be truly said of a good many other difficult problems.

WE regret that, on account of a large amount of matter delayed, because of our Thanksgiving number, we are obliged to defer until next week the account of the proceedings of the Synod of Manitoba which opened in Winnipeg on the 12 th inst.

THE twenty-third public meeting of Knox College Student's Missionary Society will be held in the Convocation Hall of the college on Friday evening first at 8 p.m. These meetings have become an important feature of the religious life of the college, are always full of interest; and we would bespeak for this one a large attendance.

THE Presbyterian, of London, England, referring to the discussion, not yet finished by the way, on the question," Should Elders be Eligible for the Moderatorship of Church Courts ?" says :
"A very vigorous discussion is going on in The Canada Presbiterian of the qued ion as to the right of elders to be Moderators of Church Courts. There is no doubt as to which side has the best of the argument : and ultimately, no doubt, the inertia of conservative instincts will be too weak

ALARGE and highly influential deputation, representing 5.000 commercial travellers, waited upon the Hon. Mr. Harcourt the other day and asked that the hotels of Ontario be placed under Provincial inspection. A good deal might be said in favour of this new departure. The travellers know more about the sanitary conditions of hotels than any other class of men. The chances are a million to one that the 5,000 travellers are right on this question.

$\mathrm{R}^{\mathrm{E}}$EFERRING in a recent missionary speech to the outrages committed upon missionaries by the Chinese, the Hon. Mr. Foster, ex-secretary of the United States, who has just returned from China, said that "the Chinese Government had shown a greater readiness to punish the offenders and repair the losses than was evinced by the American authorities when riots against the Chinese had occurred in the United States." All honor to the man who can tell the people the plain truth in such manly fashion. Elders like Mr. Foster are the backbone of Presbyterianism.

It preHE Interior does not like the way in which Lord Salisbury treats the Turkish Empire. It prefers the treatment Oliver Cromwell gave to the Jesuits. But Oliver Cromwell died some years ago. Why don't you send your own fleet to the Dardanelles and bring the Sultan to a sense of duty with a few judiciously aimed shells? This business of blaming Lord Salisbury for everything wrong in the East and doing nothing to put things right is becoming tiresome.

THE personal letter of the Sultan of Turkey to Lord Salisbury, piteously begging that the Premier deliver another speech on the Armenian question to counteract the damaging effect of the one delivered by his Lordship a short time ago, is a most striking tribute to England's power. There are just two men in the world who can shake Europe to the centre by a speech. The one is the Premier and the other is William Ewart Gladstone. John Bull is distinctly at the head of the nations yet.

ONE of our correspondents from California having expressed in somewhat strong language an opinion veryderogatory of revival work done in San Francisco by Rev. B. FayMills, we gladly give publicity to the statement which follows, commendatory of Mr. Mills and his work done in St. Paul, Minnesota, and sent to us from Long Island, N. Y., by a brother minister of Mr. Mills.
"Mr. Mills is no fanatic or even enthusiast, but, on the
contrary, one of the most clear, sensible, level-headed contrary, one of the most clear, sensible, level-headed
and gospel preachers in our connection. A true, earnest and
greatly blessed revivalist among all the evangelical churches. I was pastor lof one of our churches for eight years in St. Paul, Minnesota, and during my pastorate there Bro. Mills held meetings for three weeks. He came on the invitation of all the principal evangelical churches of the city, through the properly constituted authorities of each. He was very careful on this point. Meetings for mothers, men, and children were held; thousands were moved to lead a better life, among whom were scores of Roman Catholics, and the whole town was affected from centre to circumfrence.'

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X-PRESIDENT Harrison makes a high class missionary speech. The other evening, at a great Foreign Mission meeting in New York, he said :

I have sometimes, in missionary meetings, heard speakers talk about the needs of the Board. That seems to me very much like the man whose grocery bills are not
paid and who will talk about the needs of his butler. We are not here to talk about the needs of the Board, but our needs, the needs of the Church, and the needs of the world. We are to summon you to the duties which your church membership implies, and which implies much more when you consider the great Head of the Church.
We hear far too much in our own Church about the needs of the colleges, and of the Foreign Mission Committee, and of the Home Mission Committee, and of Augmentation, and of other schemes. The College Boards have no needs apart from the needs of the whole Church. Neither have the committees. Every member of the Church ought to have as much interest in the work as any of the committees have.

THE Herald and Presbyter gives this deliverance on a question that sometimes causes friction in Presbyterian congregations :

It must be settled as the universal and working principle of our Presbyterian Church that the Session is responsible for whatever occurs in the church building, and no person, or number of persons, be they trustees or any other persons, can give permission to any one to hold any sort of exercises in the church which the Session is not willing to permit. The oversight of the Session is spiritual. The care of the trustees is secular or financial. The safest rule for any church to adopt would be, to require any one desiring the use of the church building to secure the written consent of
the elders, conditioned upon proper financial arrangements the elders, conditioned upon proper financial arrangements
being made with the trustees afterward. The Session being made with the trustees afterward. The Session
would pass upon the character of the person, or the advisawould pass upon the character of the person, or the advisato the question of financial consideration, or kindred matters.
That is sound doctrine. Our Book of Forms puts the matter in this way: " While the care of the property belongs to the Deacun's Court or Board of Managers, the Session is responsible for the use made of the Church edifice, and has the control thereof and the custody of the key." Pastors are continually worried by people who want to use church buildings for meetings of various kinds in order to save the rent of a hall. The right way to dispose of such people is to tell them promptly and firmly, that the pastor of a Presbyterian Church has no power to give the Church building for any purpose.

WE were glad to see in Monday's Globe an authoritative denial of the industriously circulated reports, that Rev. Dr. Warden had declined the General Assembly's invitation to become the general agent of the Presbyterian church in Canada. Dr. Warden has not declined ; has not yet come to a decision. The reports to the effect that he had done so, set afloat in many quarters, painfully suggest the impression that they are inspired with view to influence Dr. Warden's decision. Our readers will do well to remember that, when he makes up his mind on the important offer now before him, intimation will be first made, not to the press of Montreal or Toronto, but to the press of Montreal or Toronto,
to the Moderator of the General Assembly, whose announcement of Dr. Warden's decision will alone be authoritative. All who know Dr Warden are well aware that his decision, for or against acceptance, will not be influenced by such means as have been referred to but will be based soley on considerations of duty to God and to the Church, which, in calling him to succeed the venerable Dr. Reid, has given him perhaps the highest proof possible of its confidence and the honour in which he is held. Dr Warden is so pre-eminently qualified for the position to which he has been called that in the best interests of the Church we sincerely trust that he will yet decide to accept.

CLERGYMEN have some difficult duties to discharge ; but they never can be too thank ful that the law exempts them from service a jurors. To sit for days, perhaps for weeks on a hard bench, breathe courthouse air all that time, listen to the evidence of many witnesses, much of it of a technical character, as well as to the interminable arguments of counsel, and then to have to decide whether a human being shall go free or go to the gallows-to do and endure all this is to discharge a duty to the state from which any man migh shrink. The duty is made more difficult by the fact that, a juror on service is under the eye of a constable night and day, and would probably not be allowed his liberty if his nearest relative were dying. I the wife or child of one of the jurors in the Hyam trial should die suddenly, the juror would have to go on with his duties while his neighbours attended the funeral. At all events it is not probable that any arrangement could be made for his release. By the way how is it we never hear a petition offered for the men who have to discharge such trying duties ? Surely theyneed divine help as much as the Army or Navy in times of peace, or the members of the Royal family. The twelve men whis are in the jury box in the old courthouse in this city are doing much more difficult and responsible work for the state than is usually done by the Prince of Wales. Jurymen ought to be prayed for.

THE inequalites in giving pointed out by one of our contributors lately cannot be accounted for by the unequal distribution of wealth There are few countries in the world in which wealth is more evenly distributed than it is in Canada. As a matter of fact some of the most liberal giving is done in communities in which there is the least accumulated capital. Nor can the difference of giving two or three or even fou dollars to one be accounted for by the liberality or the people. The people who really do give are very much alike in all Presbyteries though of course there are congregations that have alway been liberal and some that have always been the reverse. The real cause of the differcnce is in the number of people who give. There may be, there often are, local causes at work, but the tap-root the inequality is that in some congregations every body contributes more or less, and in some the paying, so far as the schemes are concerned, ill the by a few. Thank the Lord for the few. All th same that way of doing business is a caricature onat voluntaryism. The theory of voluntaryism is that all the Lord's professing people help. How much some of them help may be learned from a glance at Dr. Torrance's column of averages. . Perhap the people are not much to blame. Do those Presbyteries in which the average is away down one-third or one-fourth of what it is in others use any means to reach all the people?

THF citizens of New York got Tammany fairly by the throat a year ago. They did so because they unitedly took hold of the Tiger. Now they are differing about modes of work and Tammany may soon be uppermost again. When did good people ever agree about the mode of doing anything.

THE Hon. David Mills has said of a certain thanksgiving sermon which he criticized that it would have been equally useful or useless if there had been no soul in man and no Maker in the Universe." That reminds us of the man who said a scrmon he had just heard was well enough in its way but a Pagan might have preached it.

A IIOME missionary, writing in the Intcrior, gives the following lamentable picture of the way in which Home Mission work is done in some of the Western States:-
"The trustess, whose business it is to raise the salary, often
leave the whole matce to one of their aumber, very likely the leave the whole matter to one of their number, very likely the
treasurer. He is a very busy man, has too many irons in the fire, treasurer. Hed so, waits till the minister asks for money. This the minister hates to do, and puts it off just as logg as possible. He runs into
debt at the store -another source of humiliation-he borrows at he can, until at last, the case is so desperate, he can stand it no longer, and be unburdens his mind to the treasurer. After further delay a little money is secured on the salary, and the matter is dismissed, All is uncertainty. The minister dare not pay a bill at a and privation are intense. At last he is compelled to ask for another pittance. He appears before the treasurer, a look of desperation on his face, and says:- Brother T., I do not want 10 say much
about salary matters for fear you will think that is all I am laborabout salary matters for fear you will think that is all I am labor-
ing for; but really I am in such straits I have not enough to pay ing for; but really I am in such straits I have not enought to pay
my washerwoman's bill.' 'Ah! indeed I Well, times are very hard, it secms almost impossible to get hold of any money, but we will try and get a little for you. Now this is not overdrawn, not exaggerated, Tham positise there are thousands of ministers who church know of this state of affairs."
The Church certainly should know about "this state of affairs." The Church pays nearly a million dollars a year for Home Mission work and has a right to know how its agents the home missionaries are treated by the people for whose bencfit this large amount is contributed.

## ARMENIAN SUFHERER'S FUND.

WE are most grateful for the response already made to our appeal on behalf of the cruelly persecuted, starving and dying Armenians under Turkish rule. Since last writing an appeal has reached us from the Armenian Relief Fund Committec, of New York, which is working in connection with an Armenian Relief Fund Committee organized in London, En. land, of which the Duke of Argyll is the president, and the Duke of Westminister and the Archbishop of York are vise-presidents. We shall next week draw attention again to this matter. Meanwhile we propose to send the money contributed to this committee, and acknowledge as promised the following sums, adding that we shall be glad to take charge of and send to the above cominittee in
England any further sums entrusted to us, crediting them of course as we do those set down below : Rev. John Eadie, Point Edmard...
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CANON DUMOULIN AIvD HORSERACING AND BETTING.

WE congratulate Canon Dumoulin on the stand he has taken against gambling in all its forms, and especially as connected with horseracing and all its attendant iniquities. He will have the heartiest thanks of many dishonoured iathers and broken-hearted mothers, if he can even abate a nuisance which has never done a particle of good, even in the way of that much trotted-out argument-the improvement of the breed of horses, while it has wrecked the lives of many promising youths and brought the grey hairs of
many fathers and mothers with sorrow and shame to the grave.

What has a horse race ever been? what is it always? and what will it always be ? but a huge moral blister, calculated, if not intended, to draw all the worthless, loose fish and black-legs (pardon the mixture of figure) of a country or a kingdom, as the case may be, into one centre, and te $\cdot$ gurate and intensify a perfect carnival of the me $\cdot$ est fraud, most unalloyed falsehood, and the mi c undisguised and unabashed dissipation and licentiousness of every description? Poor fellows, who think themselves of rather the superior orders of" Upper Tendom" may effect to be superc" "iously contemptuous of all such expressions of opinion and may swear many a good mouth-filling oath at such "low Puritanical humbug," but it is true all the same. Take away the betting and blackguardism with all the other attendant etceteras; make horse races clear, honest, and honorable, and there is not one of them that would not die a natural death in the course of a couple of years.

More power, then, to Canon Dumoulin's arm, say we. Perhaps he works better than he knows, for right sure we are that, let him succeed in reforming the race course, as he wishes to see it, and horse-racing will by that time have gone the way of the Dodo and the Megatherium.

## THE DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE.*

THIS is the quaint and suggestive title of the last book of the now famous Ian Maclaren, and which may be regarded as a sequel to the inimitable sketches in "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," over which thousands have laughed, and strong men have wept. "It gars me greet," is the reason given by some for not reading it, at least aloud. In "The Days of Auld Lang Syne," we are back once more in the familiar glen, and among the dear and well-known friends of Auld Lang Syoe. What a wonderful and enviable gift is that of Ian Maclaren and other princes of imaginative literature, who can create out of the crude, raw material lying all around us, characters anr scenes instinct with a life which is immortal. Fur under the hand of this master we can see the glen, the waters of the Drumtochty glinting in the sunlight, the bridge, the wood, the farm houses, Posty on the road, the kirk, the kirkyard, and the group of neighbor farmers and others at the door, discussing the news of the last market and the gossip of the glen; Drumsheugh, Burnbrae, Hillocks, Jamie Soutar, Whinnie, and the rest, with Dr. Davidson passing into the kirk, the signal for all to follow. Two or three new characters are introduced, but they only widen and give a fresh zest to the interest, they do not distract $i t$, and by the law oi association, the old ones who have gone, Domsie, Geordie, "the lad 'o pairts," and Dr. MacClure are never far off. We do not care to compare the two books. As the late Principal Cairns said of Dr. Brown when coming to assist him at a communion season, "He will have to preach very well to be better than the last time, threc years ago, for he then preached the best sermon I ever heard." So to fascinate his readers, and with equal mastery to move them to laughter or to tears, "The Days of Auld Lang Syne" would need not only to be as good as, but even better than "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," for the expectant, eager interest with which in the latter book we passed, or were carried on from sketch to sketch has lost to some extent its keen edge.

Although we find in this no passage of perhaps such exciting interest as "Through the Flood," and a "Fight with Death," or of such tearful pathos as "The Scholar's Funeral" and "The Doctor's Last Journey" in "The Bonnie Brier Bush," "The Days of Auld Lang Syne" is still a book of surpassing skill and interest in its picturing of the life, and character, and ways, and individual peculiarities of a homely, pastoral people in the quiet uneventful life of a Scottish glen. All the traits which gave such remarkable interest to the "Bonnie Brier Bush," that within little more than a year one hundred and thirty thousand copies of it were sold, are also to be found in "The Days of Auld Lang Syne;" the words and phrases so homely, but so expressive, which are like music to Scottish ears: the swift, vivid, masterly touches with which he depicts their oddities and characteristics; their gossip, their inquisitiveness, their re-
*"The Days of Auld Lang Syne," by Ian Maclaren.
serve and reticence, the sting often in ther humor, the loyalty to one another, and homely familiarity, the repression of their feelings, their strong sense of duty, their regard for their kirk, the Sabbath, and the minister, and superior natural ability and learning, their scorn of sham and pretence and shallow assumption, are all set in clear light and depicted with a master's hand.

Of course, in all this there is not a little of what may be called, if not poctical, pictorial license, for no doubt to urdinary eyes, the life of the Drumtochty folk was bald and prosaic enuugh, petty and narrow in its interests, and here and there mean. But we are thankful for the man and for his work, which lets us see beneath all this the real poetry, and beauty, and sterling goodness that are mixed up with it, the self-sacrifice, the devotion to duty, the charity and kindness, the mutual love, the loyalty to old friends, and ways, and places. This kind of literature, which, if not altogether a new departure sets in bolder relief than has been customary, the virtues of lowly life, to be found in all phases of it, sedeems it from its littleness and pettiness, and crowns it with that halo of glory, with which the Saviour crowned the giving of even a cup of cold water to a disciple in His name.

In the sketches in "The Days of Aurd Lang Syne, while each one has some merit of its uwn, if we might venture to express a preference both for literary skill and as being specially typical of Scottish character, we would be inclined to give it to "For Conscienro Sake" and in this, "A Displenishing Sale," "The Replenishing of Burnbrae," and "The Appeal to Cuesar," "Drumsheugh': Love Story," "Good News from a Far Country," "Jamic, a Cynics End," and for some features of it, "A Servant Lass."

We can only devote a few sentences to notice the question of the teaching, or rather the moral tendency, of these sketches of real life by Ian Maclaren, and thi; only because our atiention has been distinctly called to it. Here we must consider the object which the author has had in view in writing them. If it was to inculcate under the guise of these sketches, a correct code ot morals, or to teach the truth as to the way of salvation, and illustrate what constitutes a true Christian character and life, we should form an estimate of them very different from what we should do if his object were altogether different. And we tancy that, to do these things has been in no respect whatever the object of the writer, but simply to present in the main, apart from their literary, and in this sense, lawful embellishments, correct pictures of some phases of lowly Scottish lifeas they havecome under hisownobservation. This is all, and his aim has been simply to be true and faithful to life as he saw it. Just as we cannot for a moment imagine that he approves of or intends to teach, the lawfulness of falsehood in certain circumstances, because he relates, without distinctly condemning them, the gross prevarications of Jamie Soutar to spare the feelings of a dying girl; so neither would we consider that, as a minister of the Presbyterian Church, does he entertain the idea, or intend to teach the, possibility of salvation, without reference to the work of Christ, however noble or self-sacrificing the life may have been, or beautiful in other respects, like that of Burnbrae, Dr. MacClure or Drumsheugh. We read these sketches as simply pictures of certain phases of Scottish life, written with the sole object in view of presenting them as such; and reading them in, that light, which is the one they ought to be read in, no one will for a moment be led astray by not finding in them what the author never intended them to teach, a code of morals, o. the way of salvation, or what constitutes in the sig ut of God a truly Christian life. When we wish to learn correct theology or principles of life and conduct, wc prefer, as Professor Goldwin Smith put it the other day, to get them " straight," rather then fish them out doubtfully from such sketches as are found in "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush" and "The Days of Auld Lang Syne."

We have only in a closing word to congratulate the publisher upon the tasteful and attractive style in which both books have have been brought out, and to say that those who have not yet read one or both of them have before them a rare treat. Many thousands, we under stand, of the Canadian edition of "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush" have already been sold, and the likelihood is, from present indications, that the demand will not be less, if it will not be even greater, for "In the Days of Auld Lang Syne."

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## Nanderpuel.

Jus: a cavalle standing empts, in the twilight's purple gray; lossed and
And a woman worn to silence by the passion of her pain,
Ciaring, blindly, dumbly at it, stretching tremb ling hands in vain;
wist the hour when once the baly nested closely to her breast,
With soft, clutching tingers, soothing all her tired nerves to rest,
Ah! the downy head of gellow and the ting rel. vet cheek;
Ah ! the blankiess of forever-and she sinks down pale and weak
eath the burden of her sorsow-hard agaiast the cradle's side
ressing tught her aching bosom where the wound throbs deep and wide.
piog low her
loving reach,
her cheek the cold
ful. dumb speech.
pty! Empty !" sigh the shadows, crecpios
close about her ear,
And she, clasps a weais arm over that she may no longer hear.
Still a lullaby the winds sobs in the casement o'er and $0^{\circ} \mathrm{cr}$,
And hes heart shall heat tis echo, crooning to it evermore ;

- He hath given He hath taken; blessed be His name on high.'
but that little emply cradle is the mother's Calvary. -Carolyn Wi:duor IVad.


## MEENN JICTORIA'S HIGMLAND HOME.


After a day's successful deer-shooting, one of the sights of the season at Balmoral or Abergeldic Castle, but chiefly at the latter, is a deer-dance, wherein the deer do not dance, but lie impassive and dead cnongb, head and tail, in numbers of two, three, or more, at the chief entrance. After the royal dinner-and the darker the night the bettez-long heavy torches, called "sownacks," made of splints of dry log fir bound together with green birchen withes, are lighted and held aloft by a number of stalwart kilted Highlanders, a piper or two, splendidly radiant in tartan and silver, strike up a march, and the rogal sportsmen, nccompanied by all the princesses, ladies, and gentlemen of their suite, come forth into the lurid circle to view the trophies of the day. After inspection and remarks, a torch is handed to each of the princes, invariably dressed in full High land costume, four or more of whom take their places at the head of a long line of jagers, beepers, forestrrs, and gillies, each with a flaming toreh, to dance a reel. $\mathrm{Th}_{0}$ pippr manipulates a atrathspey and reel from his drones and chanter, and all foot the light fantastic "Highland Fling," with whoops and yells and wild harrahs. To the quick pulsacions of "Monymusk" and "Hulachan," tartan kilts and plaidos. hrawny limbs, and jawelled belto and dirks, fleet and whirl in wild yet measured confusion bencath the lines of sciatillinting flame But the powers of muscle nid lung foom tlag on the dull gravelly surfibe that serves for dancing floor. A bonfirc is made of the "sowoach" stamps, amid a cborus of cherrs that rasound iar through the dark welkid Jingling glag. sesare charged with the "strong winc" of the country, and coupticd to toasts, by the daneers; then rogalty seeks its bodchamber, thr graat clock oonrhead chimes forth some hour mear midnight, and the grand sprctacular dieplay is over- for a night

All the rogal family aro foud of dan cing, and among the "evente" of their
sojourn in the Highlands, balls, to which tonantry and sorvants are all inviced, have held a prominent place. As might bo expected, life is gayer at Abergeldic than at Balmoral. At these balls all social distinctione are dieregarded. Tho one fiat is "dance," which tho Highlanders are not slow to do. Their dancing is sharacterized by much vigorous leaping, kicking, swinging reeling, thumb-cracking, and intorjectional "woochs."

Another occasion of merrymaking that comes with birthdaylike regularity is the great Scottish festal night of Hallowe'en, celebrated on the 31st of October of each yoar. The mystic rites of that evoning, so graphically portrayed by Burns, are somewhat in abeyance of Balmoral, but instead, the Highland custom of robbing witch-spells of their terrors, through the cleansing agency of fire may bers be witnessed in all its pristine glory. Blazing "sownacke," carried round the castle literally in hundreds after sunsat, constitute the purifying media, and form, especially at a distance, a sight that must bo seen to be fully appreciated.

All these amug̣ements are varied by the attendance of first-class concert and dramatic companies. There is no monotony. The tone of evergthing said and done, grave as zell as gay, is decidedly healthy. Lifo goes "merry as a marriago bell," whose chimes bring to recollection the fact that Balmural has ever afforded idyllic facilities for coartship. Besides the Imperial Prince of Germany, here tho Grand-Dake of Hesse and the Marquis of Lorne, wooed and won their brides. In each caso there was far more wooing and fewer "reasons of state" tian sentimental outsidera are in the habit of believing.

Royalty in its free, unassuming, and joyous intercourse with the Highland character of proverbial independence meets with no coarsoness of feeling or action, no fawning formalities, no dissimalation, and no mistrust. The secial gap between the monar=h and the peas. ant is here bridged with a facility ss graceful, as cordial, that might well be inatated by the noble and commoner else-where-From "Queen Victoria's Mighland Home," by J. R. Hunter, in Marper's Magazine.

WOMEN'S EXALTED MISSION.
Certainly there is wisdom for two young people who have sworn to love each other, no matter wheth er there is porerts or wealth, no matter whether the days are bright or dark, to have $n$ home of their own, writes Rath Ashmore, discassing "The Mistress of the Suall House," in Novom. ber Laulies' Ilome Journal Boardinghouse lifo is bad for nomen, and I do not believe that nay man has ever really enjoyed it. God created nomen to make homes-to make bomes for the men thoy love and for the children whom God will send to them. Aad a homo mast be started at the beginning of this now life. Do not rinit fue a big houso and many sercants, "ut make happiness oxist in a little hou se with one maid 23 a help. It can be dine. Iknow it can. Dos not shraghypur shoulders, and asy you do not like he aserork. Work is only dis sgrecable $v$ hen it is bsdly done, and from washing tivo :'ver and glass to dusting iho bric-a-brac and benting up a cake, everything may bo daintily done and well done if you go about it in the right way
and with the right spirit. You will have to be considerate and you will have to be patient. You will cortainly mako mistakes, but each mistaks is one stop towards success. Burden yourself with patience, consideration and tenderness; you will noed to make calls upon them often and often. Then jou will gain so much. You will be the happy housewife, the lady of the house, who has the right to dispense hospitality and good will ; the mistress, not only of the house, but of the heart of your husband, because for him you have created a home. And that is a womanly work-a better monument to yon, my dear, than the painting of a wonderful picture, the writing of a great book, or the composing of a fine piece of music. From out a home all virtucs and all great works may come. No man ever made a home. He does not know how The woman's brain, heart and hands are necessary, and a home is such a beautiful thing. It means rest, it means peace and it means love. Make one for your busband and let him find those three great joys within its four walls.

## T日E SLAUGHTER OF BIRDS.

There is a statement anont the slaughter of birds for millinery purposes in the Edinhurgh Review that ought to call a halt to the practice of wearing dead birds on bonnets. The presence of these birds is to be attributed to thoughtless. ness rather than to cruelty, for women are not cruel as a sex or a class. The same effect and amount of adornment can be secured, to all intents and purposes, from cloth of different colors and textures, or from feathers furnished by birds that it is unnecessary to put to death. In a single province of India 30,000 black partridges were killed, in a hunt of a few days, to supply the Earopean milliners. In Lahore 200 of the somawhat rare kingfishers were killed by one man in a month. At a London auction-room not long ago there was a sale of $96 \dot{u}, 000$ sking of birds freshly received from the tropies. One dealer in London received in a single zonsignment 112,000 dead birds and 500,000 pairs of wings. In islands north of Scotiand there is a constant slaughter of gulls and kittiwakes, whose wings are popular, many of the birds being just out of the nest, and not full fledged. Besides the lirds that are actually secured by the hunte-s, there are thousands that survive cheshot, and succeed in getting awas with broken wings and bloeding bodies to dio in the shrab. bers. On one small island in the Scotland group 9,000 tirds have been slaughtered in a single foraight.-Brooklyn Daily Engir.

## ENGHISIL AS SHE LS IRO. NOUNCED.

It appoars that Byron called himselk Byrn (Barn), and the family name of Cowper is, ofally, Cooper. Cholmondeley is prononnced Chumley; Majoribarks, Marchbanks, Werayss, Wecme, Saint John, Senjen or Singin, Arcederkne, Archdeacon, Colquhoan, Koohoon; Dachesnes, Dakarn; Bethunc, Breton; Menzies, Minges; Knollge, Knowles; Gower, Gort, Dalziel, Dacl, Glamis, Glarma, Geoghegan, Gaygan, Rathred, Riven; Dillwy, Dillon; in Abergavenng, thonvis not sounded; in Fiertiford the $t$ is clided, and tho $O$ isa, as in far, ctc. No less romarkablearo many goo-
graphical names; Cirencester is pronounced Sicoter ; Pontefract, Ponfret ; Woodmancote, Woodmucket ; Hallahon, Horn ; Faddisioo, Hadsker; Grasein, ton, Geratun; Gunthwaite, Gunfit ; Eck dale, Ashdalo; Brightholmstone, Brytua, Brampton, Brian, Brawn; Utrome, Ooram ; Dleddlethorpe, Threithrup; Ut. toxeter, Tuxter; Pevensey, Pinsey Ranpisham, Ransom; Crostwight, Corsit ; Holdsworth, Holdor ; Kircudbright, Kircuobry ; Ilkloy, Ethla; Coxwold ber comes Cookwood, and Marylebone sounds like Marrowbone.-Ninetcenth C'entury.

## CHURCHES ON WHEELS.

The Russian Covernment has been for some yoars building a stupendous railway which, with its connections, will be six thousand miles long, extending from St. Petersburg to Vladivostok, on the eastern coasl of Siberia. Threo thousand seven hundred miles yet remain to be construct. ed. The road runs to a village, then to scattered houses, then passes a long stretch oi territory in which there are few human inhabitants. The Holy Synod-that part of the Russian Government which controls the national churches-finding it impossible to erect charches which the people could reach, has decided to make churches that can reach the people. Five church cars have already been constracted. Eech traverses a particular section, and each is fitted up with the complex arrangements necessary to the Greek worship, with two priests on each car. Each charch can comfortably seat thirty or forty péople. Trọ settlements are daily viaited, which will be for the five an average of sevents sectlements a week. Where the popula tion justifies it: the car stops long enough to hold several services. The people have a time table, and are ou hand when the car arrives, so that no time is lost. These particulara were obtained oy the San Francisco Examiner from Mr. L. K. Minnock, representative of the English rol-ling-mills which furnish the rails to the Government ior tho construction of the road.

## A QUAKERS WAYOF"MOPPLNG

 THE QUESTION."The career of the Gurney girls is told in detail in The Gurncys of Earlhum, just published. Elizabeth marriod Joseph Frs, and became famuas; Richenda, the Rov. Francis Cunningham; Hannah becanc the wife of Sir Thomas Fowell Buxtor. Barh, and Louisa that of Mr. Samuci Hoare the third. Joseph Fry belonged to the "plain Quarker," and wo bave an account of the curions way in which he won his wife :- Mr. Fry had no intention of exposing himself to the possibility of a refuanl. He bought a very handsome gold waich and chain and laid it down upon a white seat-the white scat which still exists in the garden at Earlham. "If Betsy takes up that watch," ho said, "it is a sign that she scoepts me; if she docs not take it up by a particular hour, it will shof that I musi leavo Earlham." The gix sisters concealed themselves in six laural-bushes in different psrts of the grounds to watch. One can imagine their intense curiosity and anxiety. At last, the tall, gracefal Botsy, her daxen hair now hidden under a Quarker cap, sliyis crocrged upon tho gravol wall. She acemed scarcesly conscious of ber sarround ings, as if " on the wiags of prayer, she was bcilg Trafted into the anscen." Ba: sho reached the garden seat, and there, in the sunsnine, lay tho glittering new watch. Tho sight of it recalled her to
carth. She could not, could not, tako it, and Hod ewiftly back into tho houso. But the six sisters remained in their laural bushee. They felt aure ghe would rovoke, and they did not watoh in vain. An hour elapsed, in which her father urged her, and in which conscienco seemed to drag her forwards. Once again did the anxious aisters seo Betby emergo from the house, with moro faltering steps this time, but atill inwardly praying, and slowly, tremblingly, they saw her take up the watch, and the deed was done. She never aftorwards regrotted it.

## THE MODERN NEWSPAPER.

We sometimes meet with the individual who boaste that he bas no use for a nowspaper whatever. And what kind of a specimen of the genus homo is he? a man with narrow ideas; of meagre culture ; of small public spirit; of little genuine knowledgo of to-dny; who is forever being taken advantage of in all his business transactions because be is ignorant of market value and ruling prices and bas no knowledge of industrial opportunities. Such a man is universally poor, and will alwaya remain so. He will be a ploduer, living in ruts, and moving only in well. worn grooves.

It is impossible to keep pace with tho world of te-day without the newspaper, which is as much a factor of modern pro gress and modern intelligence as the poblic scheol. Without it of what amall value would be those modern inventions, the telegraph and the great ocean cables, which register the pulse.beats of the world. The man who can do without the newspaper, is a selfish man, caring lattle for the well-being of the community, inter esting himself not at all with the needs and wants of others; content with the simple management of his own little allairs, believing, perhaps, that "the sun do move," bat that it is no affair of his. So long as bread and butter are plenty upon his table, and his crops ripen to abundance, or his business bringa him enough oi necessities he does not trouble himself farther.

The newspaper-the bonest and legitimate journal of the present-is also the best friend of the law, order and morality that the public possesses. It is unhesitat ing in its courage in laying bare the evils which exist in society and which demand extermination. The man of crime fears it as be doca the avenger of blood, or he knows that it will not hesitato to hold him up topublic execration and punishment. It is the sleath hound of justice, which never sleeps and never rests. It is the friend of the innocent, doing all in its power to farther his cause and bring him relief. It is tho aide-de-zamp of science, bearing to the general public tho nuarvel of its latest discoverics and flashing their light across tho world. And in the time of mar, when mighty armies are struggling on bloody battle-fields, with what a koen oje it scans the contest. and how swift it is to give tidings of deicat or victory. The lightning press then seems instinct with woc or rejoicing, for it holds the opitome of human life overywhere, and tho thinking and progressive world of to.day could no more do without it than it could dispeuse with the light of the sun. If there aro bere and tiaero men who feel that they conld do without it, they belongs to a genus which is neither numerous nor flourishiag, and for this we may well bo thankfal.

Tho picture is not ovordramn, for the man who would keep pace with the world of te-day mast kecp himself in touch rith it, and possess a sympathetic inowlodgo of its over-rarying changes and needs. Aad thare is no other power in the universo oi man that will onablo bim to do this but tho daily nowspaper, which ia the mirror of the rorld's life and the apostle of itsprogress. To the realls intelligent man it is as actual a zecessity as his food and raiment, and he woald as soon think of dispensing with tho ono as tho other. It is impossiblo to livo to-day the isolatod lifo of the past.-Los Ángelac, California, Times.

Our Doung folks.

## littile duties.

dare not pass them over, The litlle duties mine, Nor think the least unnoticed By him, our Lord divine.
The task however humble. IIe gives my hands to-day Most : ely for the present All aubler tasks outweigh.
Enough to know he orders, Enough to win his smile: Then mont distasteful duties Grow beautiful the while.
All lowly, loving service To me seems strangely sweet. ince the King, Creator, Saviour Ooce washed disciples feel.
It must be grand and clorious To do great things for himWe might see great in little Where not our faith so dim.
I watch vast fields of labour,
Which other workers fill,
With deep and earnest looging Like them for Cbrist to till.
Perhaps my single acre,
Some preceious seeds may yield,
Which stronger hands will scatter Upon a larger field.
God knows, and I am leaving My life work in lifs care; No fruitage can it bear.
But $O$, :o know my duty, Then never from it swerve Nor heed it ereal or little, So I but truly seive! -Mrs. Afisihell in Christian olverier.

## S.HOKING BY HOYS.

That the essential principle of tobacco, that which gives it all its value to $\mathrm{th}_{\mathrm{e}}$ smoker, is a virulent poison, is universally admitted. It is agreed also that its primary effect is upon the brain and spinal cord, with a paralyzing tendency.

Even Beard, who defends the moderato use of tobacco, admits that its effects are disastrous on some classes of persons. It withers some, he says, while fattening others; causes in some dyspepsia and constipation, while upon others it has a contrary effect. It is soothing to some, bat induces in othera all the horrors of extreme nervousness. He ndds thint among the brain-working class of our population the proportion of those who can use tobacco with impunity is yearly diminishing, as a nervous tendency more and more prevails among us.

Now, whatover may bo urged in favor of moderato smoking later in lifc, all intelligent persons who have given the subjectattention uaite in condemning the use of tobacco by the young.

Young persons do not know whether or not they belong to tho class most hable to be injured by tobacco. No one denies the danger of its excossive ose, and the joung havo. neither the intelligence no: the self-control to resist the tendency of smokiug to grow into an uncontrollable habil. Farther, the brain and nervous system of youth aro especially susceptible tn the banefal influence of the poisonous principle of tobacco.

The commanding medicel nuthority tho London Lances says. "lt is timo that the attcation of all responsibio per sens should be seriously airectod to tho prevalenco and increaso of tobaccosmoking aroong bojs. Stanted growth, im paired digestion, palpitation, and other evidencos of nervo exhaustion and irrita. bility have again and again impressed the losson of abstinence, which has hitherto been far too littlo regrrdod."

It citess ecaso fhich latels came before the corviacr for Liverpool-daath from a fatty change in trio heart duo mainly to smoking cignettes and cigar onds-and sdds:
"This of courso is an extrome oxample. It is, however, only a atrongly colored illustration of effects on health which are daily realized in thousazds of instances. Not even in manhood is the pipe or cigar invariably eafe. Much less can it be so regarded when it ministers to the unbounded whims and cravinge of heedless urchins."

## COIMRESY TO CHILDREN.

All the training and disciplining in the world, if given in the form of arbitrery directions and commands, will not make children woll-bred and agreeable. Mothers sometimes think, or act as if they thought, that courtesy in the homo must beentiroly a one-sided affair. The ymall boy must not interrapt conversation, he must step softly, speak gently, remoae his hat on comiug in, spring to re. store what some older person drops, run his little feet off on crrands, always say thank you, and never indulge himself in the least expression of irritation, but nobody is obliged to be equally polite to him. Ordered here and ordered there, snubbed as if be was not as sonsitive to wounds and as easily hurt as his elders his pursnits regarded as of no importance, his convenience overruled or set aside at the caprice of his tutors and governors, the little fellow often has a vory hard time of it while he is growing up. Parents who are intensels proud of their children oiten refrain, from a mistaken idea that praise is iniadicious, from commending them for what they do well, while bleme is swift to leap out and scorch the memory on any slight occasion.

The child who will bo most courteous through life is the child who has been treated with' courtey, who has spent the formative yeara of lifo in a sweet and genial atmosphere, and been moulded not eo much by military rules brusquely en forced as by the genial infiuence of serene tempers and the blesseduess of good ex amples.-IIarper's Bazar.

## THILIIAM CAREY.

No name deserves to be held in more lasting remembrance than that of the iorcign missionary, Willinm Carcy. He saw born in the village of Paulerspary, in Northamptonshire, lith August 1761. Edward Carey, his father, was a weaver by trade, but filled the combined oflices of parish clerk and village schoolmaster when William was about anx years old. He was a good-natured man, rad under his instruction tho school gamed a high place in the cstrom of the people of the district.

Young Carcy was very small for his age, and not by any means strongly built. When quite young be showed a great delight in Natural History, and made it of some use by storing the school-houso garden with choico planta. Loving naturo as ho did had much to do with tho geniality which made him known many years aiter as the "checrinl old man." Books were very scarco in the countrs and could hardly be got cren onloan, bat be had a hanger ior books, and doroured such as foll ja his way.

He was apprenticed to a shocmaker in Hackleton, nine miles from bis home, at the ago of fourteen. This engagement would bave settled tho fatare carecr of ang ordinery boy, bat with Caros tho thirst for knowledge grem with gears, and mado his nombition riso bogond making shoos. IFe did not ehirk his nork for all
that, but was such a good workman that his master kept a pair of shoes made by him, as a model of what shoes ought to be. Ho was not ashamed of his occupation, as is shown by an trcident in after years. At a dinner given by the Marquis of Hastings, the general officer of India in. quired of one of his staff whether Dr. Caray had beon a shoomaker or not. "No, sir," replied Carey; "ouly a cobbler."

Caroy's conversion took placo when he was about oighteen years of age, through the infuence of a young fellow-workman with whow he often debated on religious matters. About this time a small church was formed in Hackloton (Carey's place of buisness), consisting of nine members, in the list of which Caroy's name came third.

He was married on the 10th June, 17Sl, to Doruthy Plackett, bis omployer's sister-in-law, ana afterwards succeeded him in business. Caroy was very poor. Ho attended an Association meeting all day, fasting, because be had not a penny to buy a dinner. On this occasion ho becamo acquainted with some friends belonging to another village, called Earl's Barton, which brought about an ongagement to preach to a small congregation there. This continued for four years, till be went to reside at Moulton. It was here that missions first took shape in bis mind. The reading of "Oook's Voyages," and the study of a map of the world, showed hims what a small portion of the human race had any knowledge of the Bible. He soon arrived at a conclusion that something wust be done to spread the gospel among the heathen, and that speedily.

At a meoting of ministers, presided over by the elder ligland (there were two of them, and it was the gounger who bap. tized Carey in the Nen, in Nottingham), Carey proposed that they should consider at the next uneeting the "duty of attempting to spread the gospel among tho heathen." In 1759 he rewoved to Leices ter, to the small Baptist Church in Harves Lanc. Here bn became moro than ever anxious that something should be done. He could wail no longer, and at last published his iamous "Enquiry into the Obligation of Christians to use means for the Conversion of the Heathen."

On 3lst May, 1792, it fell to his lot to preach the Associstion sermon at Nottingham. The result of this sernon was that the Baptist Missionary Seciety was formed with a fund of $E 13$, 2s. Gd in April 1793, Carey, and Thomas, a ship surgeon, salled for India. Carey never surgeon, salled for
saw Eagland again.

The firet attempts at settlenent proved a failure, but the exprinece thus gniaed was of great value to them afterwards. Casey saw that more than preaching was required, but not till he had finally settlcd in Scrampore did he lregin the Fork of translating the lbible into the nativo langanges Before the end of tio first jear the first convert was made, Krishnu, a carpenter.

Lord Welleslef, Governor-General of India, established a collene at Galcates. called Fort William College, in 1500 . Carey was appointed tracher of Bengali, Sanskrit, and Mabratta, for which hir rer ceived $£ 600$ ammally. Iater on, hn was made professor wilh a salary of $\leq 1.500$ a year. Ilo mas now enabled to do mora for missions, and under his supervision the Scrampore Mission issuca nbove 200, 000 Bibles. or portions of it, in nibout iorty Oriental langasges or dinlects, imsiding n great number of fracts and other religious works in vanous languages.

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## 解inisters and Churches.

Rev. Robert Aylmard, B.A., is announced to lecture on "John Bright" in the Pres
Cburch, Parkhill, next Thursday evening.

Rev. Alex. Matheson has been chosen moderator of the North Western Presbyterian Synod,
Regina.
The Rev. Wylie C. Clark, pastor of the Preshyterian Church, Brampton, and Rev. Wm. Farquharson, B.A., of Claude, will exchange pul pits on Sunday next.
Rev. J. Lindsay Robertson, of St. Mary's, has declined the call tendered him some weeks
ago by the Presbyterian congregation of North Easthope and Hampstead.
Mono Centre and Camilla Presbyterians have decided to engaze an ordained missionary for a year, at a salary of $\$ 600$, C
pay two-thirds of the sum.

Rev. Jas. A. Anderson, B.A., of Knox Church, Goderich, has been made the recipient of
a landsome mink-lined overcoat. with heavy otter collar, the gift of the ladies of his congregation.

Miss Martha Smith, B.E., of Toronto, who gave an evening of sacred readings in Duart,
Church recently, was very much admired by Church recently, was very much admired by
all present. Her readings were of a high order, and most admirably rendered.

Rev. John MacVicar, B.A., of Montreal, will, until the end of the year, supply the pulpit of Mr. Macdonnell, whose illness is watched with so
much interest, and whose recovery is earnestly prayed for by the whole Church.

The Rev. Mr. Tanner, of Omemee, preached very acceptably in the Presbyterian church, Millbrook, recently. Our friends from the north are to be congratulated upon having so
and able a successor to Rev. Mr. Ewing.

The W.F.M.S. of Zion Church, Carleton Place, held their thank-offering meeting last Wednesday. A collection was taken, which,
with the contents of the thank-offering envelopes With the contents of the thank-offering envelopes
of the ladies and the Mission Band, totalled the large sum of \$125.18.

Through the kindness of Mr. McDermid, assisted by Rev. C. W. Gordon, says The Winni peg Tribune, arrangements have been completed by the elders of St. Stephen's Church, whereby
the pupils of the Deaf and Dumb Institute may the pupils of the Deaf and Dumb Institute may
attend divine service on Sunday mornings. Mr. attend divine service on Sunday mornings. Mr.
McDermid will interpret. We have no doubt Mhey will enjoy it very much.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Knox Church, Tara, held therr Thanksgiving service Nov. 6th. The church was well-filled with an appreciative audience. The programme con-
sisted of missionary news, music, recitations, etc. sisted of missienary news, music, vecitations, ehc.
The thank-offering amounted to over $\$ 50.00$, which no doubt will be supplemented by those who were prevented from being present.
The Vancouver World says:-"Rev. J. A. Carmichael, the popular and eloquent pastor of
Knox Church, Regina, has received a call to the Knox Church, Regina, has received a call to the
pastorate of Mount Pleasant C'nurch, Vancouver, pastorate of Mount Pleasant Cnurch, ancouver,
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Itely, the pastor, Rev. M. P. Talling, addressed lately, the pastor, Rev. M. P. Talling, addressed
the Sunday school children in the morning from the Sunday school children in the morning from
the text, "Honor thy father and thy mother." At the text, "Honor thy father and thy mother." At
the evening service be spoke on "Joseht, the Dreamer," which was one of a course of sermons he has been preaching on the distinguished char-
acters of the Bible. Each one of these sermons acters of the Bible. Each one of these sermons
is more interesting than the preceding one and the attendance larger.
The Hamilton Spectator of a recent date
says:-Rev. Alex. McMillan, of Toronto, late of says:-Rev. Alex. McMillan, of Toronto, late of
Edinburgh, from whence he brought a ripe and juicy brogue, lectured last evening in the MacNab Street Presbyterian school room on the
Scottush Covenanters. The building was well filled, and the audience, listened with intense enjoyment to the speakers apprecianive estimate
of those grand old fighting Christians. Rev. Dr. Fletcher occupied the chair.

The Rev. Dr. Sexton has been preaching and lecturing to crowded audiences in various towns in the Maritime Provinces during the past two months, and will remain till near the end of the year. We understand that the Doctor has not
been able to accept all the engagements that been able to accept all the engagements that
have offered in these. Provinces. He expects to be in Ontario again about Christmas.
Churches requiring his services should apply Churches requiring his servy
Address "St. Catharines."

The following resolution was adopted at the recent Y.P.S.C.E. Provincial Convention, and is 2n additional testimony to the satisfaction with which the appointments by the Assembly of a Committee on Young People's Societies has bren received :-"We, the Presbyterian Y.P.S.C.E.
of Quebec Province, assembled in our denominaof uebec Proval 'rally Huntingdon, Quebec, desire to express our sincere and loyal attachment to our
own church, and the great favor with which we regard the action of the General Assembly in June
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towards the Young. People's Societies of the Churctr and the appointment of a Standing Committee to take oversight of them.

The annual Thank-offering meeting of Carleton
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Wednesday evening, the president, Mis. W. A. Wednesday evening, the president, Mrs. Wa. A.
Paterson, in the chair, and was very largely
attended Paterson, in the chair, and was very largely
attended. After devotional exercises by the ladies, and prayer by Mr. Riddell, a very interesting programme was presented. The Rev. Scott gave an approppiate address. A collection was
taken, which, with the contents of the thank. offering envelopes of the ladies and the Mission Band, totalled the large sum of $\$ 135.18$.

The anniversary services of the First Church, Port Hope, on the first sabbath of November,
were conducted by the Rev. D. C. Hossack LL. B of Toronto sermons to large congregations. On Monday evening he delivered a lecture on "Hits and Misses," to a crowded church, holding the un-
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church.
At the meeting of Presbytery in Guelph, on Tuesday of last week, a call was presented to
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health. A call largely signed by both members and adherents of Knox Church, Guelph, to Rev. J. A. Anderson, M.A., of Goderich, was received, and the necessary steps were ordered to be taken to prosecute the same.

The Simcoe Reformer of last week contains a brief history of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, in that town, a biographical sketch of Rev. W. J. Day, M.A., for the past four years the estemed pastor of the church, along with
portraits of the minister, Mr. J. B. Jackson, Chairman Board of Managers, Mr. Frank Reid, Superintendent of the Sabbath School, and a
well executed view of the church. A new pipe organ has just been placed in the church; pand this was lormally opened on Thanksgiving Day.
The Rev. Principal Caven occupied the pulpit The Rev. Principal Caven occupied the pulpi last Sabbath.

The Thank-offering meeting of the Auxiliary of the W.F.M.S., Cobourg Pre byterian Church, was held in the Lecture Room on Thursday evening, Nov. 14 h . There was a good attendance and much interest taken in the proceedings. The
Rev. J. K. Smith, D.D., of First Chyrch, Port Rev. J. K. Smith, D.D., of First Church. Port
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spoke briefly of the growth and power of this spoke briefly of the giowh and power of this
organization. The church zhoir rendered very acceptable service throughout the meeting. Mrs. N. F. McNachtan read the texts and offered the
Dedicatory Prayer. The offering was a Dedicatory Prayer. The
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On Tuesday, the 19th inst., the Rev. A. Mahaffy, B.A.. was ordained and inducted itto the charge of Knox Church, Milton, bythe Presbytery
of Toronto. The Moderator, Rev. John Neil B presided. Rev. Dr. Gregg addressed the presided. aev. Dr. Gregg addressed the
minister and the Rev. J. A. Morrison, B.A.,
addressed the people. The Presterians. addressed the people. The Presbyterians of
Milton are happy in their tasteful and commodious church home and are fortunate in securing as their minister the gold medalist of Montreal Presbyterian College, of whose trial discourses, Rev. Doctor Gregg remarked that "they were couched in beautiful language, clear and distinct, and that the more he heard of them the better he liked hem. Mr. Mahaffy is a man of earnest Chris-
tian spirit, and we wish bim and his congregati $n$ n a bright and successful future.
The annual thank-offering meeting of the W. F. M. Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church, Bowmanville, was held on 5 th inst. A good attendance of the ladies of the congregation greeted Mrs.
Geo. Blair, of Prescott, who gave an earnest and Geo. Blair, of Prescott, who gave an earnest and
interesting address on ". Reasons for thankfulness interesting address on "Reasons for thankfulness
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structive talk on our work in India. Music by structive talk on our work in India. Music by
members of the ch -ir brightened the meeting. Afternoon tea was afterwards served in the school. Arom, all present enjoping a pleasant social hour. room, all present enjoping a pleasant social hour.
It was regretted that Miss Drummond, of New. castle, was, through illness, unable to be present and fulfil her part of the programme. The amount of the thank-offering was $\$ 77.90$, including $\$ 10$ which was handed in after the meeting, as agaiost $\$ 54.00$ last year, and $\$ 48.93$ in 1893 .

Glenboro (Man.) Presbyterian Church, was burnt on Sabbath, March 12 th. The new Church was opened, Sabbath, Nov. Ioth. The weather
was perfect; the congregations filled the building to its utmost capacity. On the platorm, besides the pastor, Rev. A. McD. Haig, were Rev. Dr. Duval, of Knox Church, Winnipeg, Rev. . M. Carrison, or Cypress River (Methodist), and Rev.
C. H. Cross, of Glenboro (Methcdist). Rev Dr. Duval preached morning and evening, and Rev. I. M. Harrison at 3 p.m., appropriate discourses. Collections for the day amounted to
$\$ 174.00$. On Monday evening a supper, concert \$174.00. On Monday evening a supper, concert
and lecture were given, the building being and lecture were given, the building being
packed. In addition to local talent, the serpacked. In addition to local talent, the ser-
vices of Miss M. Winstanley Pridham, of Winnipeg, were secured for the music. Dr. Duval gave his popular lecture "Elements of Success." Dr. Duval has endeared himself to the people of
Glenboro by his services on Sabbath and Monday. Proceeds of Monday's entertainment \$150.00 The church is a neat and commodious
frame building, with stone basement for Sabbath School, etc. The children of the congregation have placed a bell from the Baltimore Foundry.
The fire which seemed such a disaster has given
the Glenboro congregation a church much more one lost.

The Globe, of Monday, says:-The congreggtion of St. John's Presbyterian Church, corner Bolton avenue and Gerrard street, Toronto, celebrated their eighth anniversary yesterday br The morning service was conducted by Rev. John Neil, of Westminster Church, and that in the evening by Rev. Mr. McCall, of the Church of the Covenant. The afternoon's service was of the Covenant. The afternoon's service of a specially set apart for the children, and was interesting character. St. John's Church had its origin eight years ago in a little house ard the corner of Broadview avenue and Gerrard. street, and was under the supervision of S. James' Square Presbyterian Church, with Mr.
McP. Scott conducting the services. Mr. Scott McP. Scott conducting the services. Mr. Sall as
afterwards graduated, and received a calsher afterwards graduated, and received a cade such
minister of the church which has made mapid progress that it has now cut adrift altogether from its parent church, has a membership and substantial edifice.

A well-attended meetıng of Knox church congregation, Guelph, was held Wednesclay eveniog, 13th Nov., for the purpose of moderating in a cal
to 3 minister. Rev. Dr. Torrance, as moderator of to a minister. Rev. Dr. Torrance, as moderaached. After some discussion a vote was taken and a large majority confirmed the vote of the previous meeting to proceed. The call was then read in blank form and on invitation being given to nominate some names to fill the vacancy. Four names were proposed. On a vote being taken the name of Rev. J. A. Anderson, B.A., of Knox church, God erich, was declared the choice of the congregation, and the vote was made unanimous, and alnoost the whole congregation remained to sign the call Mr. I. I. Hobson and Mr. Jas. Millar were ap pointed commissioners to support the call berore the Presbytery of Guelph at its meeting on Mr . Anderson is a member A committee also was appointed, embracing the two gentlemen named, appointed, embracing the two gentemen of trans lation in the call. The stipend promised is $\$ 1,600$, without manse, in weekly payments. The congregation earnestly hopes that Mr. Anderson may be induced to accept the call. Should be do so he will be heartily welcomed by the congrega-
tion in Guelph, the Ministerial Association and the members of other denominationa.
The anniversary services of Chalmer's Church, Richmond, Que., were held on Sabbath Nor roth, when Rev. E. Scott, M.A., of and
Record, Montreal, preached morning and evening to large and interested congregations The discourses were of a very high order, being both solid and suggestive, and were highly appreciated by large and attentive audiences. The col lections amounted to $\$ 75.00$ On Monday evening, the Itth, the anniversary tea meeting followed meeting assembled in the auditorium of the church which was addressed by resident minister and others. The choir and other kind friend supplied appropriate music, and a humorous reading were given by Dr. MacKenzie, Mel bourne. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Kellock, occupied the chair, and made special reference to the energetic labor of the Ladies' Aid Society, wh last year bad contributed towards the reductio of the church debt the large sum of $\$ 860$, throug what is known as the "Talent" Fund, and $\$ 500$ will also this year furnish the further sum of $\$ 500$ towards the same object. Dr. Kellock furt, on stated that, accompanied by Mr. C. Campbell, of the congregation soliciting subscriptions for the

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Orasimpinins: This Preshytery met at Orangeville Nor. 12. Mr. Farquilarson, Moderator in the chair. Dr. Nackobbie reported hat. the Assembly's Augmentation Committee had ap.
pointed one of its members to visit this Presby. lery, and that, hencelorth, reports from Aug. eerf. and that, hencelorth, reports in
mented congregations would be required in fail instead of spring. $\$ 1,20000$ is the zmount asked from the Presbytery for Home Mission purposes and arrangements were made for allecating it among the congregatuons. Mr. McKenzere reported anent a Presbyterial Coniterence reconmmending the following subjects for consideration, vir :. Whose chindren should be baptized? To be introduced by Mr. Croll. 2. The proper atuitude of the Church iarelation to amusemens. To be in-
troduced ty Mr. Stecle. 3. Temperance. To be troduced hy Mr. Stecle. 3 . Temperance. To be
introduced by Mr. Hartison. The first subject to be considered at the January mecting and the other two at the one in March. Mr. McKenzie intimated his intention of visiting the lloly Iand, and as he expected to be absentabout six months, he teadered bis resignation or the pastoral charge of Oracgeville congregation. An adjourned mecting of Preslytery will be held at Orangevilic, Mr. Bell reported anent Young People's Sucieties and recommended that all of then within the bounds be organized into a Preshy. terial Society. The Prestytery authorized the Committee to call a convention of said societies. and of representatives of congregations in which there is no such society, to unite the forces of the young people of the presbytery-zzid coarention to be ield the day lollowing the January meting of Prestylery. The Committee was instructed to the Prestytery at said meetiog.-H. Crozizk. Clerk.

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At the residence of the bride's uncle. George Swalm, Exq., Midaleton, N.Y.. on Thursday, 24 th October, Mr. Olin Stephen Fellowes, of the same place, ${ }^{10}$ Anna Gertrude. second daughter of the Rew. S. H. Kellong, D.D., of North Iadio, formerly of Toronio, Canada.
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On January 6th next，Rev．B．Fay Mills the evangelist，will begln a series of revival meetings in New Haven，Cona．，that wlll last a month．

The convention to elect a bishop for the nerly formed Episcopal diocese of Wash－ ington，D．C．，will be held in that city on December 4th．

During the past year three States in the U．S．A．have voted to give medical treatment to habitual drunkards who are unable to pay for their own cure．

The rent of the Scots College at Paris， and of a farm connected with it，goes to the support of Scottlsh Roman Catholic stud－ ents at St．Sulpice seminary．

Rev．R．H．Fisher，B．D．，of Jedburgh， conducted divine service in Balmoral castle on a late Sabbath．The Queen recentiy honoured Mrs．Campbell，of Crathie manse， with a visit．

Kev．Dr．Marshall Lang，speaking at the Glasgow meeting on the Armenian question， declared that the Iurk would never reform， having the elements of reform neither in his being nor in his rellgion．

Prof．Simpson，at the opening of the congregational Theological ball，gave an ad－ dress on the Scriptures as the ground－work of Christian taith in relation to certain as－ pects of current theological thought．

Rev．M．N．Goold，emeritus minister oi Buccleuch street chuich，Edinburgh，died on Friday afternoon，after an illness extend－ ng over several years．Mr．Goold，who was in his 78 th ₹ear，was a native of Glas－ gow．

The International Board of Women＇s and Young Women＇s Christian Associations held its thirteentb biennial conference in Brooklyn，N．Y．，from November 7th to 13 th nclusive．Delegates，about one buadred in all，were present from all parts of the Union．

Mer．Satolli，the Papal Nuncio at Washington，bas declined to interfere nith the manufacture of beer by the Benedictine monks at St．Vincent＇s Abbey，in Penosyl－ monks at S．Vinceats Abbey，ia Penusyl． from the authorities of the Church but from from the authorities of

About 250 Christian Workers were pre－ sent on the morning of November 7th，when the ninth annual convention of the societies the United States and Canada opened in or Calvary Baptist Church in New Haven he Calvary Baptist Caurch in New Haven， gates for the State of Connecticut．

Christ＇s Mission，at No． 142 West Twenty－frst strect，New York，which is open to priests who desire to leave the Roman Catholic Church on religions groudds and learn the Bible way of salvation as evan－ gelical Christians understand it，bas recent－ is received several priests who occupied prominent postions in the Roman Catholic Church．

Mayor Strong，of Nier York，announces his bearty interest in the movement to re－ duce the number of saloons in the city．With 7，joo saloons there and only 1，354 in Phila－ delphia，His Hunor does not see why 4,000 shoald not be the maximum for New York． The closing of 3,300 saloons，be thinks， would be for the benefit of the liquor dealers as well as the public．

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Among modern nations, the greatest eaters aro the English the Germans, the French and the Americans. The Americans are, on the average, the greatest cat ers in the world.

In Europe about 55,000,000 acres of barren land have already been made fruitful by irrigation; in India $25,000,000$ in Egypt about 6,000,000, and in the United States about 4,000,000 acres.

In Franca it is forbidden, under severe penalties, for any one to give infants under one year any form of solid food unless such bo ordered by written pre scription, signed by a legally qualified medical men.

Tching.Tchang, formerly Secretary of Legation in l'aris, has been appointed Minister to France. Hitherto one Minister has represented China both in Paris and London. Soparate Legations have now been established.

One of the interesting things to be seen at Atlanta, Georgia, outside of tho Exhibition, is a house said to be constructed entirely of paper from foundation 10 chimney. Georgians say this is the only house of the kind in the country.

Convicts in the Michigan state prison aro allowed to keep birds, and as a result of this there are fully 600 feathered songsters in the prison, all owned and cared for by the prisouers. Their carolings in the morning are one of the odd features of life at this institution.

The colored women of Tuskegee, Ala., led by Mrs. Booker T. Washington, ate making vigorous efforts to have the concession to a saloon in the negro building at the Atlanta Exposition withurawn. They declare that the presence of a saloon in that building is an insult and diggrace, and they want "this disreputable trafic discontinued."

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The Scientific Anericun says that most medical men consider that a cold bath every morning is apt to do more barm than good to any but persons of a very vigorous constitution. The sensible thing to do is to see that the temperature of the water in cold weather is not lower than 'hat of the air. A daily bath is a most healthful practice, but it should not be so cold as to give a shock to the system.

A new apparatus has been constructed to prevent collisions at sen. The invention consists in so constructing and stationing a sot of electro-magnetic coils, on board a vessel, that they will influence a chemically prepared needle ${ }^{\circ} a$ good distance away on board of another vessel, to that extent as to release a spring that sets a bell to ringing as a warning of danger. $A$ test has been made that covered the distance at sea of six miles.

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