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On the fifth of February next Mr Noody will be sixty gears of age. It is proposed by his friends in recognition of bis great services to the cause of religion to mark the event in some way agree ble to Mr. Moodg's feelings and his interest in the advancement of the Redeem er's Kiugdom. It is understood that he proposes to erect a church in Mount Her $\mathrm{Pan}_{\mathrm{ma}}$, Northfield, where bis young men'e reminary is situated, the cost of which is to be $\$ 25,000$. One half of that money is to be got in the United States, and it is roposed to raise the other half in Britain. do influentially signed appeal has been do influentially signed appeal has been isoued and many will be glad to join in
the good work of helping a Christian rorker whose laboars liave been so blessed in two continents.

The office of Premier of Uanada, Mr atrier finde, as others have done befor him, no sinecure. It is worth something have at the head of affairs a man both f the industry which his language at the Quebec banquet shows him to be, who has the aspirations for the Canadian peoplo thich he expresses, and dependence upon the Divine Providence to realize his upirations. "I tell you sincerely, I have diten regretted since the 11 th of last July, then I was bworn in as First Ministor, Then I was bworn in as first Ministor,
that the days in place of twenty-four toors had not thirty-six ; but they bad coly twenty-four, and, withont boasting lbelieve I have well occupied each one of those hours. With time and with the wistance of that Providence in which I blieve, that Providence immutatle and thral, immutably wise and immutably ternal, we shall give to the Canadian pople all that wo have promisod-that is ts say, general reforms, peace, harmony sady, general resorms, "
macord and prosperity."

We get a very suggeative hint of what members of non-episcopal bodies in Cunda escape from by the absence here if a dominating, overbearing Church atablished and pard by the State, as also 2 most pathetic view of the hardships impsed upon clergymen of the episcopal prrsassion by the occurrence of such a ting as that mentioned in the last Chris. iin World: "The vicar of Stratford-onAron bas solemnly communicated to the Press an intimation that he and his clergy are felt obliged to refuse the invitation Itho Mayor to be present at the annual snicipal banquet in consequence of his Forship's action last year, when he regested a Baptist minister to say grace, Whough the vicar, who has always dono $x$ on previous occasions, was present. to Mayor is a Baptist, who is to be re dected, and he paturally invited his own pator to say grace, which we should have bought every rational man would have dged was the proper thing to do."

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itegarded in Bricain. There is an absolute istegarded in Bricain. Thereis an absolute
inanimity of desite to do something for Le Armeniang, an almost universal ro. wosition of tho unusual difficulty of the itation, and of that lying in the way of be Government acting singly and indeendently of the action of other great mers, a strong and single-minded wish co tho part of men of all partioa to avoid afing or doing anything to harass the stion of Lord Salisbary, with the diff. colty and delicacy of whose position all тupathize. It is some rolief and comfort Slearn, on the authority of the Times, that, "It is now known, to the satisfac-
tion of most sensible and well-informed people, that negotiations are proceeding, upon the initiative of Her Majesty's Government, and that there is reasonable ground for hape that Anstria-Hungary, Ruania and France will join with os in Rushia and France will join with as in
bringing pressurs to bear, as far as posaible, upon the Sultan, to copapel him to give effect to the reforms which are needed for the security of the Christian populations."

The cause of the Armenians continues still to occupy a very large amount of public attention in Britain without leading as yet to any very definite steps being taken to oall the Sultan to account, or to put a complete and final stop to bis infamous proceedinge. Our latest exchanges from England give an account of a very large and enthusiastic meeting held quite lately in St. James's Hall, London, as a protest against further Armenian mas sacres, to strengthen the hands of Lord Salisbury, and hasten active measures for their protection. A hundred provincial mayors on the platform, a very large mayors on the platform, a very large
number of M.P.s and clerical representanumber of M.P.'s and clerical representative dignitaries of different bodies, and
letters of regret for absence from distingaished men gave it a national character. The mention of Mr. Gladstone's name and the most significant passages in his letter were greeted with a tremendous storm of applause and ringing cheers, which were again and again renewed. The meeting which packed the large hall was addressed by many leading men, and not till after eleven o'clock did this most re markable and significant gathering disperse.

The election which took place last week in the United States was amonget ourselves remarkable in several respects. It aroused, as no election in the great re public has ever done, a moat deep and absorbing interest over the whole Dominion ; the loadly proclaimed confidence of ion; the loadly proclaimed confidence or
victory by both parties was most perplexvictory by both parties was most perplexprevailed among thoughtful men that whichever side won, the real sources of trouble will be left still at worl, and now it is felt that the utmost wisdom will be needed to guide safely through the dangers that still threaten it, the ship of State. that still threaten it, the ghip of State.
We believe that throughout Canada the feeling was niversal among all who take intorest in American politics, of deep and sincere anxiety for the stability and wellbeing in the best sense of the great neigh. boring state. Now that the battle involving issues so vital to the very life of the country has been decided, it is a matter for rejoicing and thankfulness that the victory is so decisive. That has again been shown which has so often been shown before, that in any great and decisive crisis there is in the country such a body of sound sense, of solid, honest charactor and of true appreciation of the responsibilities of popalar government, as to allay the fears of friends, and put to rout and shame the evil predictions and wishes of all who would rejoice to see popular government prove a failure. The victory is a splendid one, and will go far to restore a confidence in the futare of the store a confidence in the future of the
nation which was beginning in many quarters to be shaken.

No Governor-Genersl of Cansds bas left bohind bim more genial memories than Lord Dafferin. He has now reached his seventieth year and after a long and highly distingaished career in the public service of the nation has retired to wellearned repose, crowned with honours, having filled and with uniform'success, nearly every post of distinction in that line of service to which his life has been de.
voted. Before leaving Paris a teatimonial was preseuted to him by tho Britioh residents in the city and on the Continent. The French people also testified to their great regret at the loss of an Am. bassador who had resided among them for five years on terms of the greatest friendfive years on terms of the greatest triend-
ship and goodwill. According to his lordship's desire his home-coming was made ay quiet as possible. At Clandeioye, however, says the Belfast Witness, "The vicinity of the house and the entrance to the grounds had been decorated with bunting, and his lordahip and estimable lady were greatly delighted in once more beholding the home they love so much, and where they will now pormanently reside. Lord and Lady Dufferin wers most genial with their employees, shaking hands with many old and tried servants of the ancestral home."

It is unnecessary to say to our readers, bat the fact is worth noting, that a great amount of attention has been given by all our large and representative papers, to the election which has just closed in the United States and resulted in such a decisive victory for the Republican party and sound money. In all that has been said we have not seen one unkind word, or anything bat a feeling of sympathetic concern and interest for the good of the country by the triumph of the men and party which advocates and stands up at all hazards for the preservation of the national honesty and honour. The feeling in Canada and in the old world is well expressed in these sentences from the Mail and Empire of Tuesday the 3rd inst.: "Not only the United States itself, but the whole world awaits with intense interest the answer which the event will give to-night to this question. Whatever it is, while the American people may regard it as their own doing and their own business, it must be of vast international consequence. It must have the effect either of reassuring have the effect either of reassuring lions of assets and convulsing commerce. It cannot but have a powerfulinfluence to trsnquillize or stimulate the revolutionary elements in the populations of Earope. Consequently, on the other side of the Atlantic as on this, the outcome is expected with uneasiness."

The report of Sir James Grant on his retarn from a visit of some duration to Great Britain is very cheering to Cansdians and makes most agreeable reading: "Canada now stands very high in the estimation of the British pablic, whose attention was recently drawn to this country by the glowing reports made on the gold fields. In the clubs and botels of London it is quite a common occarrence to find capitalists returning from Australia, South Africa, and New Zealand, on their way to the gold fields of British Columbia, Rcssland, Kootenay, and Maniton, Ontario. Reports of experts sent out by British capitalists have been of such an encouraging character that next year fully two millions of money will be year fully two millions of money will be
directed towards Canada to help in the development of these resonrces. The tide of emigration is also flowing, and no conntry has a brighter future in that particular than Canada." Sir James met most of ourlste Governors. General, and allof them, be testifies, "tale a deep and sbiding interest in the prosperity of the Dominion." While they are friesde at court and can do much for us, Canadians must never forget that the prosperty of Cansda depends above all else, under God, upon our own energy, character, perseverance, plack, logalty to ourselves and patriotism to the great Dominion which is ours, and the empire we are all proud to belong to.

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Rev. J. Morlais Jones: The heroes still live in every street, and clants to which angels listen are sung on cottage hearths. Enthusiasm is not dead. Men still believe that thore are grand ideals to be followed, and sacred causes to fight for. The battle of faith is often tragic, but its triumph is as possible as whon Browning, with his invincible optimism, faced it.

Sanday School Times: Faithful preparation is as necessary to the ?conscientious performance of a duty as it is to the intelligent performance of a duty. The teacher who slurs the lesson in preparing for his class will slur it again when he comes before his class. We cannot be untrue to our conscience when only the eye of God is upon us, and expect God to keep us true to our conscience when other eyes are upon us.

The Interior: When our Lord said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for thoy shall be called the children of God," it is probable that He referred to the general inheritance of peace which is coming, but yet to fully come, to the earth. At the same time, while peacemakers do not re ceive the whole earth as a reward for their well-doing they generally get as much 85 they need, and a considerably larger alice of it than those who delight in war.

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## ADVICE PREACHERS SHOULD NOT TAKE.

## by knoxonian.

"Throw away your sermon and talk to the people the way the politicians are talklog to them." This is the piece of advice frequently given to the preachers of the United States during the Presidential elec tinn. If the press reports are correct, Mr. Moody dispensed this kind of medicin quite freely at one or two meetings of minisers. Of course all men of his school pre cribe the same treatment. Judging from the way in which they sometimes speak one would think that a prepared sermon was the chief hindrance to the conversion ol the world. Just throw away your manuscrip and even Cbicago mght be converted. Well, Mr. Moody has thrown away his manuscript and a good many of his followers never had one to throw away. They have preached and worked in Chicago for a long time, and at last accounts the city was not quite con verted. If all preachers could repeat their sermons as often as Mr. Moody has repeated that sermon of his on sowing and reap ing they would not need a manuscript. They would not even need notes. We doubt very much if Mr. Moody has a single sermon that he has not preached at leas fifty times. Probably that sermon on sow ing and reaping, the best one he preaches, has been delivered hundreds of times. I is easy for a man who has a few sermons "well up," and who rarely preaches more than a few weeks in one place, to tell men who preach to the same congregation a hundred times a year to throw away their sermon.

But supposing it were a good thing to throw away one's sermons, would it be a good thing to speak to the people in church on Sunday in the way that McKinley and Bryan and their friends have been speaking to the citizens of the United States?

Campaign speeches bristle with half truths. Would it be a good thing to deliver half truths to the people on Sabbath ? Halt truths are often the most dangerous and deadly kind of untraths. They are more dangerous in the pulpit than in any other place because the issues dealt with in the pulpit are more important than any other issues. Half truths are often more popular than the whole truth. If McKinley and Bryan told the whole truth on any public question the enthnslasm would soon wane and the crowds soon scatter. An honest preacher will not deceive men with half truths about faith or sin, or future retribation, or any nther important mattér, ven though the half truths would draw.
Campaign appeals are often made to the selfish side of human nature. McKinley says in effect elect me and my prohibitory cariff will make you ricb. Bryan says in ubstance-so we read-elect me and you can pay your debts with 53 cents on the dollar. Any man who stands up before a mixed audience and tells the people how hey can make 53 cents into a dollar can get a good audience and a good hearing in any part of the civilized world-even if he uses a manuscript.

Election speeches are for the most part made to men who want to hear and believe hem. The Republicans who journey to McKinleg's home in Ohio-railway fare perhaps paid-go there just because they want to hear McKinley on the Republican platform. Bryan's immense audiences want to hear Bryan tell them how to make their 53 cents have the paying power of a dollar Both candidates for the most part tell their audiences what the audiences want to hear. An honest preacher must tell his audience a great many things they don't want to hear, and some things they hate to hear.

But, as a matter of fact, do the politicians always talk to the people? Is there an in telligent man in America who does not
know that politicians of the first or even second rank in the United States nearly always read their important speeches from a manuscript ? Why even Bryan bimself, the great orator of this campaign, tried to read his first speech in New York on a hot night in July. He didn'c read again because he was not a good enough reader to hold his audience. There is grim bumour in telling a lot of preachers to talk to the peo ple as the politicians do, when everybody knows that many of the leading politicians of the United States read their best speeches.

Even when a first-class man delivers his speech without manuscript or notes, it is always carefully arranged and often arranged very much in the form of a good sermon Rosebery's great speech in Edinburgh, the other evening, is a good illustration. That fine effort has its firstly and secondly and thirdly as distinctly as any Scotch sermon ever had them. Then there is a subdivision of three reasons why his lordship wished public meetings to be held on the Armenia question, and all through the speech one can see the framework quite clearly. Rosebery did not'read his splendid effort, because he can deliver a high-class speech without a manuscript. Still he did not indulge in the kind of "talk" that preachers are exhorted to use instead of a prepared discourse.

High-class men in other protessions always arrange their matter on occasions of importance. Examine the best efforts of any lawyer of the first or second class, ex amine any judgment of any high-class judge, examine any statement made by a statesman of high rank, and you lovariably find that the matter is well arranged and often our old friends firstly, secondly and thirdly are used without any apology. Clerical dudes barely one remove from mental imbecility may glory in their little essay because it has no old fashioned divisions; young men with lots of vacant room in the upper story, appropriately covered with a soft felt hat, may ridicule sermons, but the fact remains that every man of eminence in any profession arranges the matter he wishes to bring before his fellow men in the most orderly and powerful way he can, and very often the form of arrangement resembles very much the form of a good sermon.
The politicians who speak extempore to the people are usually the "ward bosses," the "heelers," the "bummers," the un. clean fellows who fire the blood on the back streets and humbug the rural voter in the back townships. Is it proposed that preachers should imitate them?

Another point would stand discussion. Politicians usually address the people for a brief time, and at a time when the people are not only interested but excited. Preach. ers have to keep on addressing the same people two or three tinies a week for years. How long could McKinley or Bryan keep their audiences together? How long could our own Laurier, a much better orator than elther, keep together the audience he addressed in Toronto last June? Every decent man in the United States was thankful that the speech-making was ended last Tuesday evening. The fact is, there is no man who keeps his audience together as long or as well as a good gospel preacher. Comparisons bet ween him and a campaign orator are for the most part-well, to be plain about it, they are for the most part rubbish.

## PRINCETON'S SESQUICENTEN. NIAL CELEBRATION.

## by rev. william moore, d.d.

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday October the 20th, 21st, and 22nd, Princeton put on her holiday attire and held open door to welcome the visitors from every part of the continent and from Europe who came to take part in the celebration of the sesquicentennial anniversary of the frieads of the college of New Jersey.

Two great arches had been built on the
main street, one bearing the old, and one the new style of the institution. The whole town and even trains which brought visitors from New York and Philade!phia were gay with flags and with streamers and festoons of orange and black, the college colors.

The professors, graduates and visitors assembled first in Marquand Chapel and marched in procession to dlexander Hall. As all who took part in the procession wore the academic costume indicative of rank, in the uoiversity they represented, there was a great variety of color which lighted up and gave an attractive appearance to the scene. The exercises of the first day were under the presidency of Mr. C. E. Green, the chairman of the Board of Trustees. After the usual devotional exercises the president of the college, Rev. Francis L. Patton, D.D., LL.D., dellvered an impressive and powerful sermon on the relation of religion to the university. It is impossible to do justlce to this magaificent discourse in any mere summary or outline and pet a sentence or two culled at random may perbaps exhibit something of its spirit :

Universilies are, in a general may, the off. spring of Curistianity. There are unn ersities (and
Prinoeton is one of them) that may be as distinctly Christian rather in the conditions of their origin, than in the contents of their curricula. Their object is not so much to teach religion as to reach scieace in a religious spirit. It was more in the way they teach than in what they teach that Hey deserve to be called Christizn schools. the amount of religion that it to be judged by place it assigns to the Scriptures in its curriculume In the colleges and uoiversities of which I speak Christianity underlies, informs, unifies, and is the anexpressed postulate of all instruction. And this Christian spirtt, that practically affects teaching without announcing itself, which presupposes Caristianity without any irritating self-assertion is on the whole most effective.
ought to pererform. It should contribute worsity formation of a sound public opinion. In a the and far-reaching sense it should teach patriotism. The essential morality of the people of our land, as it finds expression in the pulpit and the press is a great source of comfort in a time of national perii. And yet, when fundamental authority is are pablicly expounded, when socialistic thment find plausible adrocates, it wocll not the theories altogether upon popular sentiment common sense of the American or the native must do something to keep the common sense from being corrupted, and this must consist of something more than popular harangues and the flurid iterations of the commonplaces of morality.
Threat public questions by de men of dical discussion ol great public questions by men of acknowledged This work can be done better economic soience. than anywhere else. This is what the university I say that the University should be a school of patriotism.
After expressing the hope that the universities would soon be the centre for a great religious movement, President Patton went on to say: "I do not know what par Princeton will have in this movement, but it would be strange if she should have none. Whatever be our place in the sphere of in tellectualism, may Princeton be at the head in the sphere of religious activity. Chris. tlanity is more than a collection of prelepts, $t$ is a way of salvation. This message has been proclaimed in the pulpit of the college of New Jersey for 150 vears, and may it never be sald of those who hold a high place In Princeton University that they are asham. ed of the gospel of Christ."

If it were possible we would like to see the whole of this masterly exposition of the place and functions of the University reprint ed in your columns.

In the afternoon of Tuesday the recep. tion of delegates was held in Alexander Hall which was again filled to overflowing. Dr. Howard Duffield, of New York, delivered the address of welcome. President Eliot of Harvard responded on behalf of the American Universities and Learned Societies, and Prof. J. J. Thomson, of Cambridge, replied on behalf of the Universities and Learned Societies of Europe. The speeches of both these gentlemen were brief and in exceedingly good taste. For clear, chaste and appropriate expression the speech of President Eliot left nothing to be desired

Wednesday forenoon was devoted to the commemoration side of the festivities. The
chief speakers were the Rev. Heary Vandyk-, D.D, who read a poem entitled, "The Builders."

Dr. Vandyke was followed by Prof. Wodrow Wilson, who delivered an oration en. titled : "Princeton in the Nation's Service," in which he recounted the services rendered the nation by the sons of Princeton in the various departments of public life, and in the great crises of the nation's history.

Thursday was in some respects the great day of the feast. After the usual opening exercises, President Patton, in a very graceful speech, announced the change of title and told of the additions recently made to the Endowment Fund.

The first charter of the College of New Tersey was signod by John Hamilton, President of His Majesty's Council, on the 22nd day of October, 1746. On the 22ad day of October, 1896, the College became a Uaiversity. In making the announcement President Patton said: "It is now my pleasure to say that from this moment what has heretofore been known as the College of New Jersey, shall in all future time be knowid as Princeton University. M3y God bless Princeton Uaiversity and make us tailhfal in her service."

As regards the endowment the statement was somewhat as follows: The result of twenty months' persistent effirt is that $\$ 1,353.29 \mathrm{~h}$ has been added to the funds of the College ; $\$ 600,000$ for the erection of library, $\$ 250.000$ f or purposes unannounced, and another sum for the erection of Blait Hall ; the income from the latter going to the support of professorships, and the rest o aggregate sum for the foundation of the Mc Cosh professorship; and several university fellowships. The wealthy people of the United States are certainly munificent patons of learning.
Honorary degrees were then given to those who had bsen selected to be the recipieats of them. Among the distinguished mea whom Princeton hooored were Priacip ${ }^{3}$ Caven of Kanx College, President Loudon of Toroato Uaiversity, President Petersen of McGill Uaiversity, and Mr. Goldwin Smith. Thus Canada came in for a full share of recognition.

After the ceremonies connected with the conferring of degrees were concluded Dr Patton introduced President Cieveland. As the President stepped forward, the whole immense audience rose and received him with prolonged and enthusiazitic cheers.

The President delivered a powerful and touching speech upon the relations of the University to the nation and the services which educated men should render to theit country.

This speech was probably one of the greatest the President of the $U$ ited $S$ :ates has ever made. It is not too much to say that many sentences deserve to be written in letters of gold. Though President Cleveland had himself in perfect control and spoke with calmness and precision, there were moments when it was manifest to every listener that he was the subject of intense feeling. Especially was this the case when be uttered the following words :
"It is exceedingly unfortunate that politics should be regarded in any quarter as an unclean thing to be avoided by those claiming to be edu-
cated or respectable. It would be strange, indeed, if anything related to the administration of our government, or the welfare of our nation should be essentially degrading. I believe it is not a superstitious sentiment that leads to the conviction that God has watched over our national life from its beginning. Who will say that the things worthy of God's regard and fostering care are dnworthy of the touch of the wisest and hest of men? I would have those sent out by our of their fellow countrymen, but the tribunes of the people, fully appreciating every condition that presses upon their daily life, sympathetic in every and earnest in every effort to advance their happiness and weliary,
and prompt and steady in the defence of all their and pro

At this point the audience gape vent to their pent-ap feelings in loud and enthusiastic cheers, and it was some minutes betore silence was sufficiently restored to permit the President to conclude a speech which
must ever remaln a monument to his own The conse and strong patriotic feeling.
The concluding function of the great celebration was a dinner served in the Casino at which about 300 guests sat down. It was in every way a most edjoyable aftair and the Princeton people and their guests Parted with the kindest good. wishes for ach other's relfare.
Altogether the celebration was one of the reatest college functions ever seen in 4merica, and those who were permitted to lake part in it as invited guests will long rehoin a warm appreciation of the generous hospitality of the Uaiversity and town of Princeton.

Ottawa.

## THE SIMPLE GOSPEL.

EDWin a. wilson.
The kindly consideration accorded the Writer in giving place and space to a stranger rom "the States," leads him to presume to ofter a word on an article on "The Simple Cospel " in a late issue.
This is the day of the deification of man. The simple gospel is tound throughout the Mord, Matthew i. 21, "And she shall bring orth a Son, and thou shalt call His name lesas ; for He shall save His people from heir sins," gives forth in unmistakable lansuage the purpose of Christ's coming into the world. Shall "save His people from Their sins." Luke xix. 10, "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which pas; lost " poiats out the need, as does Romans ili. 10, 11, 12, 23, etc., "As it is Written, There is none righteous, no, not me. There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They tee all gone out of the way, they are tother become unprofitable; there is none dat doeth good, no, not one. For all have The need known, and seen and felt, the mplicity of the way of escape from conmpation is shown in John 1. 10, 11, 12,
$\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{e}}$ was in the world, and the wor d was made by $H!m$, and the world knew Him not. te came unto His own, and His own receiv ed Him not. Bat as many as received Him to them gave He power to become the sons of Gnd, even to them that believe on His dame." John v. 24, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My word, and biveth on Him that sent Me hath everhasting life, and shall not come into condempation, but is passed from death unto

The uniqueness of the gospel (the only way of salvation) is found in Acts iv. 12 . Neither is there salvation in any other, for here is none other name under heaven siven among men whereby we must be Baved." Its fulness in Acts xili. 39., "And by Him all that believe are jastified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses." The ground of it is cound in Romans iv. 25," Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for Our justification." Its blessedness in Romans ". I, "Therefore being justified by fatth, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Its completeness in Romans Nili, 1 , "There is therefore now no condemation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
These texts could be multiplied indeGinitely, but the loving Lord, crucified, risen lod ascended is seen throughout, doing all and suffering all, and must have the glory lad all the glory. "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we tight be made the righteousness of God in Him," 2nd Cor. v. 2I. Apart from the Hhhteousness of God by faith in Jesus Christ, we have and can have no standing before God, though we lived a life of forty thousand years of the kindest, the tenderest and best endeavor without Christ. There ls "no cant" to be cleared a way, the righte-
to clothe a man in such garments for God's presence is despicable and awful.

Whose Christ ? The Ohrist of God. The man Christ Jesus. The name which is above every name. The writer (that is the critic) has no theology, he has Christ and without this Christ he is nothing and has nothing. Some of the sweetest character (naturally) in the world have no Christ, and have no use for Him, whose lives are full of good deeds, growing out of love for the creature. "God is not in all their thoughts." John's word true, because it is God's word, is not misleading, nor one-sided but com prehensive and grand when the passage is given in its beauty and entirety; here it is, accepted and loved, whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, "and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth Him also that is begotten of Him" ist Jno. v. r.

Garbled scripture is not always truth when divested of its connection. Noman can honor Christ until he has received H.m. As many as received Him to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name. This is a condition precedent. No service rendered can be acceptable to God that does not find its inception in the faith in Christ which in volves sonship. This is exemplified in John vi. 28, 29, "What shall we do, tha we may work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, "Tbis is the work of God, that ye believe on Him whom He hath sent." Faith is the basis ; what soever is not of faith, is sin ; without faith it Is impossible to please God.

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures (but it was Christ, who died) ; He was buried ( $1 t$ was Christ who was buried) He rose again (it was Cbrist that rose) Why does the writer of "The Simple Gospel " introduce this Scripture ? its effect is to magnify Cbrist. Ian McLaren magni fies Weellum McClure. Did Weellum McClure accept these glad tidings? $H_{1}$ creator gives no words to warrant it, Drum sheugh makes no plea, for Obrist's sake, but for his own, there is no evidence of faith " whatsoever is not of faith is sin." If a fact is accepted, away with the theory. Hope for time, for eternity, is based upon a fact " Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

Whether a view of atonement is held or not, He , Christ, was made to be sin for us who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Bim (Cbrist). No subtilty is needed to make my trust sure and safe, but apart from the man Christ Jesus and falth in Him there is no safety, whereas in Him there is absolute security. Traditions have no place with the child of faith, but with him the word is paramount, "Let God be true and every man a liar." Tradi tions go for naught, but a " thus saith the Lord " is the end of the controversy.

The question of authorship is not vital unless certified by the Lord. He has placed His seal upon Moses as the God inspired author of the Pentateuch and the.simpleminded believer rests bis faith there. The glad tidings of salvation by grace have the same source. The scholastic test is nothing, the application of reason to the truth issues in doubt and unrest, the simple faith of the most ignorant has its fruition in absolute peace. There is a simple gospel ; it had its source in God and was seen in Eden, and the crimson-hued thread binds together God's Book. The world does not wait for it ; the world rejects it and multiplies its theories and influences, abetted by profes. sing Caristians essaying to be teachers they join the world in reading their fiaite minds into the utterances of the infinite. God's utterances are perfect, man's touch simply contaminates, popularity with men outweighs the divine benediction. Men hate God, and these belitters of God love the praise of men.

The certitude of the New Testament is conceded by our Church, save here and there where is found a carping (bigher or lower) critic, who looks upon the old Book as of little force, a mere compilation, its anthors
compassed with weakness, just men, and hence the atmosphere in which he (Ian Maclaren) lives is charged with ambiguity and uncer:ainty, apparently the environment compassing our otherwise lovely Scotch writer and equally enveloping his apologist. Springfield, ill., U.S.

## SELF-FORGETFULNESS.

Fra Bartolomeo, the great Italian painter, stole into a monastery to get away from the din and guilt of the world, and threw his paints and canvas away because he thought they were stealing his heart from God. But then his fellow monks said to him, "Why should you not paint again for the glory of God ?" and be painted those charming, thrilling pictures of gospel scenes and boly martyrs which are still seen in Italy to day, and before which men stand and even kneel, with tears in their eyes. Now, when his brother mooks bade him, as was the custom in those days, to write his name at the foot of each picture, he said, "No; I have not done it for my own glory, but to show forth Christ to men;" and so he just scratched on each work," Pray tor the picture, or pray for the painter-for the painter that he may do bis work in a better way, for the piciure that it may more clearly show the Lord ; and let the name of the artist be forgotten.'

Would to God that we and all Ohrist's servants could do our work in the same spirit. Let it be our desire and prayer to lift ourselves and others to that mount of transfiguration, that atmosphere of self-forgetting devotion where all coarse, earth-born clouds will vanish away, and where, in the clear heavenly light, our adoring eyes will see Jesus only; for this was surely in the Apostle's mind when he penned these words : "We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us."-Rev. J. G. Greenhough.

A visitor to the historic town of Pictou in Nova Scotia writes of it in the Hallifax Presbyterian Witness as follows: "Here stands a gracefui granite monument to the memory of Rev. Dr. Thomas McCulloch, one of the ablest men that ever taught and preached in Pictou. A little over forts years ago he died; but his work has not perished and it cannot be forgotten. The name of 'Patterson' occurs in this sacred spot with almost startling frequency-names borne with honor and distinction by men who did their part well in Church and state. Here is the grave of Rev. Kenneth John Mackenzie, a minister of the Church o Scotland who was called away by death while still in his prime. The Rev. Mr. Mackinlas, predecessor of the Rev. Dr. Bayne, and the venerable Mr. Campbell were here committed to the dust. McKays, McKen zies, McPhersous, Mortimer, Frasers, Prim roses, Campbells, and many others, her await the resurrection. And here upon a comely monument I read the names of Hon R. P. Grant, Senator, and Mrs. Grantnames graven on many a grateful heart. Pictou has a new cemetery which I have not seen but which is becoming popalous, and very interesting to many a sorrowing one.
"The Academy has risen from its ashes and will soon be ready for its happy throng of pupils. It is the generous resolve of the people that whatever Hallifax, or Truro or New Glasgow or any other place may do in the promotion of academic education, Pictou shall keep step with the foremost and the best."

The noblest political utterance we have seen, especially appropriate when there are elght parties in the field of whom only two expect victory, while the others are expressis the convictions and preparing for the tuture Wilson: "Dare to be right with the minarity; for even if there be but two or three who are on the side of truith, one of the com. pany is God." Talk about a vote chichmeans that being "thrown away!

Ceacher and $\mathfrak{m c h o l a r . ~}$
by rev. w. a. J. martin, guelph.

Memory Verses.-1.4.
Home Readings.-M. Prov. iii. 1-17. T
Prov. iii. 18-35. W. I Sam. xv. I.9. Th. Sam. xv. 10.19. F. i Sam. xv. 20-35. S. James iii. 1-18. Sab. Eph. i. 15-23

This aeek we turn for our lesson to the book of Proverbs, wherein we find a record of the wise sayings of King Solomon. This lesson is an appeal to walk in the ways of heavenly wisdom, not the wisdom which is in heaven, but the wisdom from heaven which ought to mark the daily life of men here on earth. Step by step the attractise ness of the way which leads to this blessed life is set forth, and appeal is made to all that is highest and noblest and best in men to choose this way. Let us consider The Kind of Obedience Required and

## The Reward of Such Obedience.

. The Kind of Obedience Re. quired.-Certain characteristics of this obedi ence are noted. It is marked by attention to
God's commandment, "Forget not my law." God's commandment, "Forget not my law." This injunction implies an earnest desire to know God's law ; therefore, we must read it, and study it, and seek to find in it the rule which God ha laid down for the guidance of our lives. How apt we are to "forget" God's law in this sense How much readier we are to read other book than God's Word. Good books, even books about God's Word, are not sufficient. We must read and study God's law itself if we would know with certainty what it is that God expects of us. Then knowing God's will, the next thing is, "Lel thine heart keep my commandments." Jesus emphasized the thought of this statement whe He said to His disciples, "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." Another character istic of this obedience is faith in God, "Trust in the Lord." There are no circumstances which can excuse neglect of God's will. Even when clouds and darkness are round about us, we should trust in the Lord ; we should acknowledge Him in all our ways by still keeping faithfully to His directions. We are so ready to choose ou own way, when God's way seems hard. Let u manifest our obedience by distrust of our own wisdom, and by letting the fear of the Lord so fill our lives that we shall be kept from evil Another thing which should make one walk in the way of heavenly wisdom, that is, in the way of obedience, is consecration, holding all that we are, and all that we have as a trust from God, to be emploped for Him as He may direct. We should honor God with the very best of our possessions, even with the first fruits. Then 2 las thing which should characterize this obedience is readiness to receive chastening and reproof, a God's reminders of our weakness and proneness to stray, so that our hearts may be drawn to God by sorrow and trial, rather than being estranged from Him.
II. The Reward of Such Obedi ence.-Happy is the man who walks in the ways of obedience. " O the blessedness of that man." As each mark of their heavenly wisdom for which obedience is only another name, pointed out, a corresponding reward is mentioned. If we forget not God's laws, then old age instead of bringing sorrow "shall add to thee." This seem the meaning of ver. 2. To keep mercy and truth the things which make up the spirit of God's law, secures tavor from man, and good succers from God. Leaning upon God's guidance we shall never go astray, for "He will direct thy paths." To distrust self and so to rest upon God shall bring health both to body and soul. To show by our use of God's good gifts our worthiness as stewards is to secure riches and more abundant trusts to dispense for our Master surely we can exclaim, " O the blessedness of the man who walks in this war." There will be gain from the exercise of this wisdom, gain in treasure which are enduring for eternity and thus are more precious than rubies and fine gold. There shall be added unto the one whose life is thus ordered length of life in the true sense of that word, even for this life, and eternal life beyond this. There shall be also riches and honors, perhaps not what the world calls riches, but of a certainty riches in the sense of that which men aim to secure by riches, and which they even fail to secure save in the ways of heavenly windom. Truly these ways are waps of pleasantness and ail their paths are peace. Shall we not, then, croose this way as ours, and shall we not walk therein will God, and thus be brought into possession of God has prepared

Dastor and Deople.

## "THE LIGHT-REGION."

Our feet shall tread upon the stars Less bright than we-
The everlasting sea shall bound
A raiter sea
Now glitters in the sun like gold.
Oh, good ! oh, hlest ! but who shall say
How fair, how fair How fair, how fair
Is the light-region, where no clouds
Darken the air ;
Where weary eyes
est on the green of l'aradise.
Now yearning through the perlect rest Perhaps they gaze
Earthwards upon their best beloved
In all earth's ways
Longing, but not
With pain, as used to be their lot. - Christima Rossctit.

## Writen for The Canada lohbshithrian:

## gENEVA.

## by gueenonian

A copy of your issue of the i6th Sepiem. ber, containing "Kooxonian's" letter on Edinburgh, has reached me in this romantic and historic town, and I send you a few thoughts in return.

If Edinburgh is dear to all Presbyterians, and especially Scottish hearts, and is associated with many scenes in the 'brave days of old,' when religious liberty had to be fought for, none the less, but anterior $\mathrm{to}_{4}$ and leading up to these and slmilar scenes in the Scottish Reformation, are those events in Church history associated with Geneva. Edinburgh, the parent of Scottish Presbyter. lanism-Geneva its foster-parent. Edinburgh and John Knox-Geneva and Jobn Calvin. To Geneva cane Knox at the outset of his career, and then back to Edinburgh and Scotland with increased de. termination and enthusiasm. And here, also, similarly, as in Edinburgh, we have an old aud a new town, so much alike, indeed, that I can fancy myself prowling through the nartow streets and closes adjacent to St . Giles, as in my college days, instead of being under the shadow of St . Peter's in Geneva. St. Giles and John Koox-Si. Peter's and John Caivin.

Following the High Street from St. Giles we soon reach John Knox's housejust as following the strest leading from St. Peter's we reach the house whereio John Calvin llved and worked.

These coincidences are remarkable, as are many others arlsing out of the stirring and restless times in which they lived. As I have seen John Knox's pleture display. ed in the shops of Edinburgh, so here I find that of John Calvin. As I have read MSS. of the former in the museums of Scotia's capital, so I read here those of the latter.

Returned from the continent, John Knox reached out from hls pu'pit with wise directlog hand to guide education and civic policy. So has John Calvin, returned from exile, compiled the Institutes of Religions Falth, and formulated a code of laws, under which Geneva and Switzerland cast off many incumbrances and prospered greatly.

With that of John Knox, John Calvin's memory, also, is fresh and green in Scotland. The Scottish Church in its Caivinism honors him and his works. She still retains as souvenirs of John Koox's visit to Geneva the Geneva robe and bunds that give grace and dignity to her ministers, and also vari ous bymns from John Knox's Choral.

It is worth remembering that Jobn Knox composed "The Book of Common Order at Geneva."

Over 300 years bave passed since John Calvin lay down to rest from his labours. Hory strange it seems to us that he, whose lite-work was to be done in Geneva, had intended only to pass a few days here, and then go on to Berne; and that during his intended short visit Guillanme Farel, with whom the Reformation in western Switzerland is closely connected, shouid detain him
ggainst hls will, laying violent hands, almost, upoo him and saying, "An nom de Diet, remaln hero and help me."

Perbaps "Knoxonian's" toucbing refer. ence to the immortal dead in Grange Cemetery gave me an additional stimulus to visit the grave of John Calvid. To-day I have had thot privilege. His remains lie in Plaippalals Cemetery, on the western side of the town, and quite close to the traffic of the clip. Yet within the gates silence reigns. All is as it should be in that respect-the quiet city of the dead, who rest from their labours. The inscription over the main arch of the enirance betokens this:
"Heureux ceux qui meureut au Seigneur.
Ils se reposent de leurs travaux, et leurs
(Euvres les suivent," The cemetery is thickly wooded, too much so. Of course it is old, but the shrubbery and trees should be thinned out, and more Ilght allowed in to dispel the gloom.

A stranger could not find John Calvin's grave. I was guided to it by the concierge. It is at some distance from the entrance and on the west side. Turning from the central roadway, my gulde led me by a natrow windlag foothpath until we stood under a fir tree of fully tbirtp feet in height. "This," said he, "is John Calvin's grave." 1 looked around, but could see no trace ot it-no monument nor inscription whatever. Seeing $m \boldsymbol{m}$ bewilderment $m y$ guide pointed to a small flat stone-about eighteen inches by ter. Which rose some six inches out of the gronod, and upon which I presently discerned the two initlals, " T.C." This was all. The stone marks the head of the grave and the fir tree stands directly in it. Whilst no storicd urn denotes the sacred spot, perbaps this shapely fir tree with its leaves of perennial green is the most appropriate mooument that can be reared to his memory, since it at least signifies the vigorous and ever buogant life of those branches of the Christian Church whose doctrines are Calvinistic.

Yonder in the city, as we visit St. Peter's Cathedral, and the college of St. Antoine, and the Reformation Hall, and the various museums, we have sufficient evidences of the life and labors of the man called, in language the plainest, "John Calvin."

As I passed out, another grave specially drew my attention, and excited mp surprise, for I was not aware that it was anpwhere outside of England, viz., the grave of Sir Humphrey Davg, the famous scientist, knighted by his sovereign for his discoveries, not the least among these being his safety lamp for miners in their dangeraus subterraneous toils. A plain faced oblong mass of stone, rising five feet from the ground, marks bis grave, which is distinctly recognized by the following inscription:

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& \text { Mritrey }
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Humphrey Davy.
Eques, Magree Bratanoixe Baronetus,
Olni Regix Societ, Londni. Preses, Olni Regiar Societ, Londoi. Preses,
Summus Arcanorum Nalure Indagator, Natus Peazadix Cornubiensum Xvrr. Decemb. Ouit Generar, Helvetorum
I wend ing way homeward from where sleep these illustrious dead, and reflect how appropziatels may Geneva's motto-ihat is prominent on many of her public buildingsbe written over the labours, struggles, disappointments, triumphs, and hopes of these two great men,
"Post Tenebras Lux."
Geneva, Oct. 6. 1896.

## MR. GLADSTONE ON GAMBLING

Mr. Gladstone has been taking part ln a discussion of the gambling questionin the first number $n$ the Temble Magazine. In his letter addressed to the editor, Mr. F. A. Alkins, Mr. Gladstone says:-"In my opinion there can be no words too strong for denouncing sultably the abominable practice of gambling -now, I believe, more rife even than during my youth-and the ruinous consequences to which it directly leads. I am aware of the arguments raised upon the defintion of the word, but 1 regard them as llttle better than mere quibbles."

WOMEN AND THE CHORCH.
The facts of Cluristlan history polnt with great emphasis to the ascendency of the female sex. They begin with Christ IIImself. He did not address women alone, but His favour was bestowed on women and chlldren to such an extent as strongly to im piy that Divine favour was on their side, and that they were to be honoured to a de. gree in violect contrast with their previous degradation. There is no mistake about that. Nor were the womon mistaken in their devotion. He excused all their fallings, and opened to them a higher life. He sympathized with thelr sorrow and sufterlag, and gave them peace. Moreover, the sacred function of motherhood was, for the first sime, to be sirictly associated with the sacred mysterles, and thus bring lile and Immortality to light and in unison. The Cburch of Christ was to be a bride, a creative agency in the hands of Christ Himself, thus reaching human nature to its profound. est depth. In short, the feminine element was to be dominant in the Christian Church, and, as we now see, very naturally so, as the embodiment of love liself.

This, it may be said, would make an effeminate Church, and not at all an effective Cburch. That is to say, it would have no politics or policy, no belligerency, no great activity; merely a sedate Quaker meeting. Well, a Quaker meeting makes at least a very grood society. But the influence of women has not been effeminate. Far from it. They have drawn the men to heroic acts by exhibition a heroism of their own, and by stimulating them to heroic deeds. A cowardly man is an object of contempt to a woman.

But the effeminacy of women seems likely to disappear in a reverse order of things. Church worle alone is now a serlous charge to them, and develops masculinity. Elsewhere their responsiblities are increaslog. They are active in every direction and always efficient. In other words, women are coming to the front as never before, and have need of nothing from the men except a chivalric regard for the sex which sins the least and suffers the most. But men are bound so protect worsen, anyway, or else lose all claim to manhood.-Presbyterian fournal.

## $B E I N G O N T H E S A F E$ SIDE.

Nice discrimination is a rare power. Not every person can expect to attain to the intellectual skill of making fine distinctions in any sphere of thought or morals. It is largeIf because of this difficulty that so many good persons do those things which to the lew seem of questionable .propriety, if not positively wrong. But while expert casuists are scarce, and there are but few who can mandpulate the finer grade of balances for the analysis of principles in action, there are ways open to the person of average discrimination by which he may keep quite surely on the right side. It is not to be supposed that every well-meaning person can tell exactly why the seemingly innocent lottery or "chance" at a church fair is pernicious. But it ought to be enough that the civil gov. ernment has declared the immoral and vicious effect of this mode of ralsing money. Not every one can tell where the germ of evil lies in gambling, but it ought to be enough that the law and a large public conscience condemn it. To obtain a fine bicycle at the price of a balf-dollar, for sweet charity's sake, seems like a harmless joke. But it requires no great intellectual acumen to see that the person who rejolces in the downlall of a Louisiana lottery cannot with any consistency accept the blcycle under these circumstances witiont at leas stopping to inquire whether there is any in trinsic difference in the moral principle involved in the litile "chance" for charity and the huge chance in the outlawed lottery establishment. Do the people ask these questions? And If they do ask them, and candot answer them with the assurance of being right, should not they keep of the
safe slde by letting alone what siatute la and careful moralists declare to be evll i: tendency $?$-S. S. Times.

## the isolation of individo

 ALITY.Alone must every son of manmeet his tris hour. The individuality of the soul necess) tates that. Eech man is a new soul in thi world, untried, with a boundless possibl before him. No one cau predict what he may become, prescribe his duties, or mall out his obligations. Each man's own natem has its own pecullar rules; and he mus take up bis life-plan alone, and preserve in It a perfect privacy, with which no stragget intermeddieth. Each man's temptations at made up of a host of peculiarities, interou and exteinal, which no other mind can mea. sure. You are tried alone; alone you pas Into the desert; alone you must bear asd conquer in the agony; alone you must be sifted by the world. There are momens known only to a man's own self, whet human advice is unavailable, that the sool feels what it is to be alone.
philosopher tells us that no atom in creation touches another atom. They only approach within a certain distance; theo the atrac tion ceases, and an invisible something re pels; they only seem to touch. No sool touches another soul except at one or two points, and those chlefly external-a fartal and a.lonely thought, but one of the truest of life. Death only realizes that which has been the fact all along. In the central deep of our beling we are alone.-FF. W. Roberkcm.

## STORY OF A FAMOUS HYMN.

The most famuus hymn of Mr. Sanken "The Ninely and Nine," is the subject of 20 interesting article in the Christian Common. zeealth. When leaving Glasgow for Edinburgh with Mr. Moody, Mr. Sankey stopped at a news-stand and bought a penny religlous paper. Glancing over it, his eye fell upona few little verses in the corner of the page. Turning to Mr. Moody, he sald, "I've lound my hymn." But Mr. Moody was busliy esgaged, and dld not hear a word. Mr. Sanker did not find time to make a tune for the verses, so he pasted them in his music scrap book. One day they had an unusually im. pressive meeting in Ediaburgb, in whicb $\mathrm{D}_{\mathrm{t}}$. Bonar had spoken with great effect on "The Good Shepherd." At the close of the ad. dress Mr. Moody beckoned to his pariner io, sing something appropriate. At first Mr. Sankey could think ofnothing but the tweatr. tbird Psalm, but that he had sung so often: his second thought was to sing the verses ht had found in the newspaper, but how could that be done when he had no tune for them? Then the thought came, and that was tosing the verses, anyway. He put the verses before bim, souched the keys of the orgat, and sang, not knowing where he was going to come out. He finished the first vers amid profound silence. He took a long breath, and wondered if he conld sing the second the same way. He tried it and ste. ceeded. After that it was easy to sing it When he finished the bymn the meeting ots all "broken down." Mr. Sankey saps it was the most intense moment of his lith From that moment it was a popular hymn.Wesiern Britisk American.

## MAN'S RULING PASSION.

Dr. Talmage illustrates this in his ome striking manner as follows: "Ransack lit been made happy by temporal success. You can not find one of the millions and hundeds of millions, not onel First a man handse get a living. Having obtained a liviog be get a living. Having obtained a liviog be ed a competency he wants to get a super. flaity. Having obtained a superfulty bo flaity having obtaided a superf wilderness can never sallsfy the bunger the soul. A lion is carnivorous, wants meat ; an ox is graminivorous, wants grass ; but man is ompivorous and wanis everything. The buckets bring up water to slake the thirgi of the souli

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INDIAN MISSION REPORT.

Some time ago we gave a summary of the annual report of the Church's mission in Honan. We purpose now to do the same with that of our mission in Malma, Central India. As this, however, is somewhat bulky, It will be necessary to extend it through the pext two or three issues of the misslonary department of The Canada Presbyter. ian. The report contains a statistical table and map, and after these is an account of

## "our field.'

Taking up the map we find in the south and lower right hand corner of it the "Cen tral Provinces: "east and in the left hand coner there is the Bombay Presidency, in the apper left hand corner is the Rajputana Agency, and what are called the North West Provinces lie in the upper right hand corner. Surrounded by these is the Central India Agency, a tract of countrs, says the report, "lying in the main between long. $74^{\circ}$ and $76^{\circ}$ E. and latitude $22^{\circ}$ and $24^{\circ} \mathrm{N} .$, embracing 78,219 square miles, and divided up among seventy-nine Rajahs, Nawabs, Thakurs, and chiefs of various ranks and degrees of importance." This is the territory which, in the providence of God, has been left to our Oanadian Church as the special part of India we are called upon to evangelize." To give some idea of the numbers to be reached, we may mention that the report gives the names of twentyseven cities or towas in different states and territories containing from 5,000 inhabitants to 82,984, the population of Indore, irrespec. tive of Indore Camp with a population of 9,343.

Susrounding our mission stations there are on the north those of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland, on the northeast, those wrought by the American Presbpterians ; on the east are the Friends; the Methodists are at work to the south, and on the west there is the Jungle Tribes Mission of the Irish Presbyterian Charch. Oar stations, or centres of work, are seven, which lie on, or as shown on the map, at no great distauce from the Malwa Railway. Mhow is the most southerly. Thirty-three miles west of it, on a good road is Dhar, and eighty two miles north-west of Mhow is Jhabua, a good centre tor work among the Bheels. Work has been begun in these two stations during the year covered by the report which extends to the end ot Feburary. Continulng along the Malwa Rallway, and north-east of Mhow, is Indore ; north of it and lying on a rallway, is Ujjain; north west, at the junction of two rallways, is Rutiam, and at a long distance north of Rutlam is Neemuch. Referring to the opening of the two new stations Dhar and Jhabua, the report says: "There is still much land to be possessed; Mandsaur, Jana, Daras, Sbabjabbampar, Kachroad, Maheshwar, and many other centres still call for men, and we are sure our Charch has far from reached the limits either of her resources or of her responsibillig." After the mission field there comes

## general review.

Jnder this head three noteworthy events are said to maris the vear

1.     - The large increase to the staff.
II.-The opening of two rezu stations.
111.-The formal opening of the rew col.
lege luilding at Indore.
I. The increase to the staft refers to the return from furlough of Rev. Mr, and Mrs Fraser Campbell, the return after slckness of Rev. Mr., Mrs. and Miss Jamieson, and new additions by the arrival of T . T. Thompson, M.D., Rev. A. P. and Mrs. Leding ham, Miss Piolemy and Miss Chase, b.A The staff at the time the report was written was disposed thus: At Rullam, were Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, and associated with them were Dr. 2nd Mrs. Woods, with a view to the development of work about Barnagar, an out-station of Rullam. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were at Neemuch, and
with them Miss A. Turnbull, M.D., and Miss Durcan. Mr, Mrs. and Mlss Jamieson were at Ujiain. At Indore, besldes Mr, and Mrs.Wilkle, Miss Whiseand Miss Grier, were Mr. and Mrs.Ledinghamand Misses Ptolemy and Chase, studying the language and giving whille doing so, much valued help in the coliege during a temporary absence of Mr. Wilkie through lloess. Mr. N. H. Russel is stationed at Mhow, as are also Miss Calder and Miss Ross, and there too, assisting him and learalng the language, is $\mathrm{Dr}_{\mathrm{r}}$ Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Russell are at Dhar and Miss Dr. O'Hara.

## new stations-dhar.

Dhar, the. capital of the state of Dhar was opened as a nets station through these accesslons to the staff. Mr. F. H. Russell and his brother bad for two years made visits to this state and received much encouragement, but in his report the former assigus the bonor of baving planted the standard there to Miss Dr. O'Hara, the establishment of whose dispensary laid the real loundation work. The promptitude and decision whth which Miss O'Hara and the committee appointed to inaugurate this new work, acted, and its striking saccess Gill a bright page in the year's report. It says: "The history of mission work in a least Oentral India can show no such record. To have sites granted, buildings started, almast every branch of work established, all within six weeks from the first arrival of a missionary in the station, is a degree of suc cess in our first beginnings which we grate fully acknowledge as a special favor from God; and the experiences of the months which have followed have ouly strengthened the assurance that He has guided us in every matter. A new bungalow for the misslonaries at Dhar is in course of erection and just as the year closes, the foundation for the Woman's Hospltal are being prepar ed, and will soon, it is hoped, be an accom. pllshed fact."
the bheels.
The opening of a missionamong the Bheel tribes os the west of Malwa is another new work begun. They belong to the aborigines of Central India, and are oppressed and downtrodden by the Mohammedans and Hindus. It had long been the desire of our missionaries to do something on behalf o the Bheels, but it was not untll their Octo ber meeting, a year ago, that declsive action was taken, and in November, Dr. Buchanan, whose heart had gone out towards these people, and his wife, entered apon work amongst them. The story of the opening of a mission among these native people is told with graphic interest. After more carefully exploring the region with Mr. Campbell and Mr. N. H. Russell, a spot was selected as a sultable location, near a railway station on a macadamized road about seven miles from Jbabua city. These tribes having known nothing but oppression, wrong and injustice Dr. Buchanan found Ignorant, superstitious, timid and distrustful to a degree. The story o the Christian caution, patience, zact and love by which their fears were disarmed and con fidence woa is one of deep interest. "At first," says Dr. Buchaman, "they would sell us noth. ing and were afrald to come near our tents. By and by they began to come for medicine, and before we left, rice, corn, flour and such fruits as the Bhecis possess were freely brought us, and offers of halp were made of their own accord in such ways as were need ed. A Mrs. Buchanan the last two years, bis been bapized and one man after beiog on been probation in this work by a milltary officer who has been supporting one man and who rather than have any mithdrawal from the work is ready to support three. "You mus go forward"" is his cheering word, "and take the gospel to these peopie"

A beglaning has also been made during the year by Dr. Buchanan of work among the lepers of Ujain. It was begno in May 1895, and has been most interesting, and give it up When Dr. Buchanan was sent to
work among the Bheels was to bim a severe trial. It is as jet only begun. Thirieen at trial. It is as jet only begun. Thirieen at expressed their belief in Christ and their de. termination to follow Him.

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ABHYKALY's COMNITTER.

## the catechism.

In its report to the last General Assembly of the Nerthern Presbyterlan Church of the United States the Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work refers to the steadily growing movement in our Church toward systematic instruction in the Shorter Catechism. To encourage this movement the Board offers an Oxford Bible to every member of a Sunday School connected with that Church, who shall be ceriliced as having committed to memory the Storter Catechism. Last year 1,449 Bibles were thus given away, and the totat number for eight years is 12,y37.-The Church at Home and

In our own Church the interest in that marvellously compact, well-balanced, and iuminous little statement of doctrine is also increasing. Two hundred and ten diplomas were issued by the Assembly's Committee last year for its correct recitution, as against one hundred and sixty-nine the gear before. The proposal to use the Catechlsm for in struction in doctrine in the Young People's Societies will probably still farther stimulate its study.
ho, For the golden gate!
Already Curistan Eudeavorers are planolog for the International Convention at San Francisco in July of next year, and for the magnificent tour going and coming. "The first-class fare for the round trip from Toronto will be about $\$ 62$, and that the second class fare will not be lower than usual. A berth in a tourist car will cost $\$ 7$ each way, so that the trip from Toronto to San Francisco and retura nill cost about $\$ 74$, including sleep ing car accommodation. As the excursion tickets will all be first-class, passengers will be at llberty to secure berths in the Pullman sleeping cars if they wish, but the cost will be considerably more. The excursion will be open to all who choose to buy tickets, whether thes belong to any Christian En deavor Society or not, and passengers will be allowed to come to San Franclsco by any road they wish, and go back by any other road, so that there will be a continuous change of scene. The length of the route chosen will not affect the cost of either the ticket or the sleeping car accommodation. A person may, if he wishes, come by Nashville, New Orieans and El Paso, a distance of 4,000 milles, and go back by the Canadian Pacitic, also a distance of 4,000 miles." Whatever route may be chosen, the rall journey from San Francisco to the head of Puget Sound, with its magnificent views of Mounts Shasta and Hood, should not be omitted, nor the unparalleied magnificence of the Canadian Pacific.

## some cheering facts.

The annual reports of the Simcoe Chris tian Endeavor County Union, iast issued state that, "A year ago the sum reported to the Union as given to missions was $\$ 284$. 06, from twentr-eight societies. This year the amount has nearly doubler, forty-one societies contributing the handsome sum of $\$ 543$ 74. For the most part this moneg has been paid, as it should be, through th regular church chañels. Of this sum $\$ 352$. 63 has been devoted to Foreign, and $\$ 191$. in to Home Missions. Denominationally the societies are as follows: Methodist, 25 ; Presbyterian, 20; Congregational, 3 Episcopalian, 2; Union, 8: The societles giving the greatest amount to missions are Presbyterian, Collingwood, \$55, and Presby. terian, Orillia, \$54.07.

We should alm constantly at a right state of heart, because nothing else will make everythlag else right. We may be eloquent, and wise, and gifted, and wealthy, and yet live a miserable life if we have a miserable spixit.

SOME BLESSINGS OF'I'ELN horgotten.
rev. w. s. m'tavisu, b.d., pessronto.

## a tilanksgiving topic

Those blessings which we enjoy most regularly, and most abundantly, are otten the least appreciated, and the most quickly forgotten. The invigoratiog air which we breathe so regularly, and which is so neces sary to our very existence, is considered a thing to which we are almost entitled-so much so, indeed, that we scarcely ever thlok of feelleg thankful for it. Because we labor for the money with which we buy our raiment, we are verv apt to regard that raiment as something to which we have a claim therefore we seldom express gralitude for it. In years gone by we often heard old men, in public prayer, thanking God tor civll and rellglous liberty, but we seldom or never bear any expressions of that nature now. Why so? Because llberty in civil affairs, and in ecclesiastical concerns, has been enjoyed so long and so uninterruptedly by us that we know little about the struggles our forefathers passed through in order to secure it; and because our liberties as cilizens or as Christians, bave never been in terfered with, we know not how to prize the blessing. If we were obliged to meet in conventicles, holding in one hand a sword, while in the other we held the Bible, and if we were afraid to sing aloud lest the dragoons, hearing the Psalm, might come troop ing down upon us, we would know how to appreciate the libetty we enjoy to day, and we certainly would be more thankful for it than we are. Many people read daily news papers and they would feel a distinct sense of loss if they were deprived of the daily news for awhile; but we have never yet heard anyone in prayer express gratitude to God for the dally papers. We take it up and read it as a mere matter of course, and because we have paid for it, we forget how great a blessing it is, and how much enjopment we get out of it. So, also, with books ; we buy them, read them, enjoy them. But because we purchase them with money which we have earned, we fall into the babit of looking upon them as our own, and so we are not as thankful for them as we might be. We overlook the fact that a book, like every other good and perfect gift, is from above, and cometh down from the Father of Lights (James i. 17). How could an author vrite a good book unless the Father of Llghts en lightened him ?

It is sad, indeed, when we cease to recognize our blessings as God's gifts to us; it is sadder still when our failure to recognize them in their proper light breeds wlibin us a spirit, not only of self-sufficiency, but that if be lition against God. Augar foll (Prov. × $\times x$. 9). Jeshurun wazed fat and kicked (Deat. Xxxil. 15). The Church in in the midst of the seven golden candie. sticks for saping: " 1 am rich and increased in goods and have need of nothing" (Rev. iil. 17). When Sodom was living in luxarp she was lifted up with pride and was given to ldleness and gluttong (Ezek. xvi. 49).

God bestows remember the blessings which but bestows apon us or we may forget them, get them. If we have received much God will require much of us in return.

All good gifts zround us
Are estot trom heaven above ;
Then thank Lhe Lord, $O$ thank the Lord, For all His love.
"Ponder the path of thy feeh, and let all thy ways be estabilach. ing tbat is not right, no matter how many yers pleasant people may declare thereis no harm in it. Be susplcious of everything harm la 1 . Be suspliter of everything Do not is a crowd for the majority hes been mrong more often than it has been right. In case of doubt, always take the safo side, for to of ance one wroig step may mean to be wrong take one "roog step may mean to be wrong shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

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NEW YORK pastor says one-tenth of the people pay nine-tenths of the money raised for mission purposes in the American Presbyterian Church. How is it with our people?

$C$UT down the list of meetings and put more life, more soul, more power, more prayer into the ones that it is necessary to hold, and see if the congregation does not wake up.

THE British Weekly says that the reading of some ministers is confined to skimming books in railway carriages. Reading of that kind will soon tell on a minister and on his congregation too.

$T$T is a remarkable fact, that the coarsest, most vulgar and most brutalized men, the men who in the natural course of events might reasonably expect to be hanged themselves, are usually the loudest in favour of hanging others.

SOME of our exchanges from the other side say the people have been hearing a great deal about free trade and free silver, and the time has come when they should hear something about free grace. They should hear about free grace all the time, and if that does not make them good citizens nothing will.

THOUGH Canada has no reason to love McKinley, the majority of Canadians were no doubt pleased to see him elected President of the United States. Even a tariff that shuts out our products is less injurious than commercial anarchy. And there is no reason to believe that the new President will make the tariff wall any higher.

WHY should any minister not in full sympathy with the doctrines and polity of the Presbyterian Church desire to enter the Presbyterian ministry? In a case just settled by the Synod of Illinois it was as clear as the sun at noonday that the applicant did not believe Calvinistic doctrine. Why did he want to come in ? The fact that a man of that kind wants to come in is a sufficient reason why he should be kept out.

$T$ FF every man whoserveson a jury and every' youth allowed to write paragraphs for a newspaper on the congenial subject of hanging, knows more about insanity than eminent specialists like Dr. Daniel Clark, we fail to see why lunatic asylums are put in charge of men eminent in their professions. Why not hire 2 man at a dollar or ninety cents a day? Any number of men could be secured at that figure who would willingly take the job.

F one half of the reports about our mining interests are correct, Canada may yet be known more as a mining than as an agricultural country. There seems to be a general feeling that we are entering upon an era of business prosperity. The mining excitement will no doubt help to give business a fresh start.' The sooner the start comes the better. The country can stand a few years of prosperity now without any great danger.

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MAN must bave a very hard cheek or a very badly informed mind whosays that orthodox theology has lost its hold on the Presbyterian Church of the United States. Princeton-the very bulwark of orthodoxy-was rich enough, but the stalwarts gave their favorite institution about a million and a quarter at the recent celebration. American people do not put a million and a quarter into anything in which they do not believe.

THE Herald and Presbyter has this to say about "special causes":-
"There are many special cases coming up continually that
seem to be, and that are, deserving, but there is a limit to the financial possibility of a congregation and to the influence of a pastor in inducing them to give. There are so many causes for Which we are absolutely responsible, and which suffer and languish if we do not sustain them, being our own, that it would seem our
first duty to fall into the pian of first caring for the work of our first Chuty to fal
The causes for which we are directly responsible should have our first and best attention. An honest man should discharge his own obligations before he engages to pay the debts of his neighbors.

AS we go to press there is being observed in Guelph the jubilee of one of the most genial and useful fathers of the Church, whose services it has been her privilege to enjoy, the Rev. Dr. Torrance, of Guelph. In our next issue we hope to give some account of the services on what must be a most interesting occasion to the worthy Doctor himself and to the whole wide circle, public or private, in which he is so well known and esteemed. We beg to add congratulations and good wishes, which we are sure will also be those of a very large number of our readers, to one who has served the Church so long and well, and to express the hope that as he is still hale and hearty, he may yet be spared many years in a service so dear to his heart and in which he has already spent so large a part of his life.

OUR neighbors across the line have come out of their great struggle in a manner highly creditable to the republic. On the whole the people displayed marked intelligence and self-control. Of course there was a tremendous amount of noise, but for the most part it was mere noise. There was very little violence and less bitterness than might have been expected under all the circumstances. Still it may be well to remember that all danger is not yet over. A line of cleavage has been started between the millionaires, the combines, and the trusts on one side and the masses on the other, and that line may widen and go right down to the roots of society some day. If our neighbors are wise they will stop shaking millions in the faces of men who have no bread. That is a dangerous kind of blowing. Better stick to fourth of July orations.

ONE of the undoubted advantages of holding our meetings of Synod in autumn is that the Blue Book is then a new book and the Synod is in a good position to review the work of the past year. In May the statistics have become old and everyone is looking forward to the Assembly. Our Maritime Province friends have a more excellent way. They look over the past year, examine the Blue Book for blanks, find them in abundance and deal with them promptly. If all the Synods would meet in autumn and spend a couple of days in examining the financial returns and in devising measures for reaching congregations whose columns in the financial report are one half blanks, there would not be such a cry for money at headquarters. One of the mysterious things about our Presbyterianism is the way that so many of our church courts avoid doing some of the very things that it is most important to have done.

$I^{T}$I sometimes happens that catechists and others sent into the Home Mission field excuse themselves from visiting and other work by telling the people that the Presbytery urged them to leave their business and go into mission work. They would have done better, they allege, at their business, but the Presbytery induced them to leave their calling and preach. The natural inference, of course, is that if they are so very much wanted, they should be allowed to shape their own course. No Presbytery should urge any man to leave his calling and begin to preach. No minister, not even a mission superintendent, should urge a man to go into the ministry or even into the mission field. If there is any calling on earth into which a man should go voluntarily it is the ministry. Ministers and others who urge men to leave a business at which they can sustain themselves and their families otten get severely reflected on for their zeal. No doubt the motive was good, but in times like these it is a dangerous thing to urge anyone to begin preaching. The congregation or station a man is sent to supply may very soon convince him that he is not wanted half as badly as the Presbytery or his ministerial friend said he was.

AMORE forcible presentation of the whole case on behalf of the Augmentation of Stipends Fund of our Church could hardly be made in the same space than that of the Convener, Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Renfrew, published elsewhere in this issue. The first, most obvious and imperative duty of our Church is to carry the gospel into every part of our own land, especially the new, distant and sparsely-settled portions of it. This is of vital necessity to all our other work of every kind. It is for our Home Mission Com mittee, with its agents, to do this, and Augmentation of Stipends, nursing weak into self-sustaining congregations, is one of two branches, indispensable to each other, of Home Mission work. The other is the planting of mission stations, and grouping into fields the few scattered and struggling families in all our new settlements from below Quebec to Vancouver Island. It is difficult to say which of these two branches of the one work is the more important. Certain it is, that but for our Augmentation Fund, and the relief which it affords in the way Dr. Campbell points out, the Church would long ago have found itself weighted down with a burden of weak mission fields too much for it to carry. It is to the one quite as much as the other that our Church finds itself in its present strong and prosperous condition. All who know the warmth of his interest in this branch of the Church's work, and his executive ability, will recognize that in Dr. Campbell, of Renfrew, the mantle of the late lamented convener, Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, has fallen upon a worthy successor.

## THE VALIDITY OF ANGLICAN CHURCH ORDERS.

IT is to be feared that we Presbyterians are not sufficiently alive to our mercies in having no connection whatever, or even the semblance of connection with His Holiness the Pope as to the scripturalness, authority or validity of the ministry of our Church. The thorough-going, inexorable and infallible decree of the Pope declaring the utter invalidity of the Anglican orders is giving that Church no end of trouble. In most cases, as we would expect, there is a tone assumed of lofty indifference as to what His Holiness may think or say upon the subject, but the amount of attention being paid within the Church to his decision is not quite consistent with this profession. It is said that the last work on which the late Archbishop of Canterbury was engaged was an answer to the Pope's bull on this question. Rev. Dr. Alexander, Primate of the Irish Episcopal Church, made some pointed remarks to it at the Armagh Episcopal Synod held recently; the doughty Rev. Dr Langtry of this city has had a tilt with it; and Sabbath week Saint Margaret's Episcopal Church, Toronto, was filled to overflowing to hear what Professor Clarke, of Trinity College, had to say on this fertile and all-absorbing theme. And no doubt hundreds of pulpits throughout the country have been ringing the changes on "The Validity of Anglican Orders." Fancy a Presbyterian minister endeavouring to establish that he was entitled to preach the word and dispense ordinances by
such considerations as these which Professor Clark dealt with :
"listrt, was Bishop Nathew Parker consecrated? If so, our orders are right, if not they are wrong; second, was Bishop Bar
low consectated? Third, was the form used by Barlow valid Fourth, were the intentions of the consecrator valid in consecration Bishop Patker? Fifth, was Parker a priest when consecrated?"
It is a merciful deliverance not to have to worry ourselves as to the standing or intentions of any of the above-named bishops, excellent men as they were, in order to believe in the validity of the Presbyterian ministry, and the ordinances dispensed by it.

## "WE MUST NOT GO BACK."

THESE were the earnest and inspiring words of a lady deeply interested in the work of our Woman's Foreign』Missionary Society, at the annual thank-offering meeting of a city congregation held lately at which the givings were below her ex pectations. "Ladies, we must not go back; the Society has assumed large responsibilities, the need is pressing and we must not go back." We fee! like sending these words along the whole line of the Church's ranks of workers on behalf of all her schemes, "We must not go back," Going back in any good and holy cause is a sad and serious thing the first indications should be watched, guarded gainst and means taken to arrest the process.

Going back may in many cases be more apparent than real, and in these times we fancy that this is in many instances the explanation of what appears like going back, so far as giving is concerned. The ability of many to give has been materially lessened, so that while the amount given is actually less than formerly, it is in reality greater, proportionately to means. The going back in such a case is only apparent. But to guard against the insidious claims oi self-indulgence which are so apt to steal our givings for religious or benevolent purposes, we know of no law or rule of Christian living so effectual as that of systematic proportionate giving to the Lord. If this principle were generally adopted not only would our contributions for Christian objects be sustained, but we believe that in a vast numbet of instances they would at once be greatly increased. Christian people ought not to go back but advance in this wisc, safe, and we believe scriptural, principle in the service of God.

Ignorance of the continually enlarging fields of Christian work at home and abroad, of the everincreasing need of the blessing poured out upon work, and of its great sucsess will cause and may explain many cases of going back. "Give the people information," say some, and there will be no going back. While information alone will not arrest its decline, it is at least one important means to arrest it. There can hardly be any excuse in these days for ignorance as to the need and progress of Christian work. The living voice in the pulpit, and the cheap and easily accessible pnblications of the press everywhere, make going back because of ignorance all but inexcusable.

A general going back is an indication of, and may also be caused by a waning interest in the work and cause of God. If there is a neglect of the abundant means of information within the easy reach of all, there must necessarily be a falling off of interest, and so a going back in responding by giving to the calls of the Church and of God. The conflict between the powers of evil and darkness and those of God, and truth, and light, and goodness is long and fierce; the numbers to be reached, the land to be conquered are all yet very great, and flesh and blood are apt to grow weary. Unless there is constant and living contact and communion of the soul with the Divine source of life and strength, the heavenly flame of zeal and love will burn low, and interest decline if even it does not die. To abide in Christ is the only way whereby the individual Christian and the Church at large can continue to bring forth fruit, and bring it forth abundantly.

The things just referred to, except the first, are sure to be attended by what will certainly lead to going back in all that Christian work depends upon for continual advance, namely, a decline of entire consecration of ourselves and all that we have to Christ. If we are not kept spiritually alive and active through constant contact and communion with God in Christ by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, our sense of what we owe to Christ as Saviour and Redeemer will grow faint and inoperative, and so will our consecration to God and His
service. When this takes place there will certainly follow a going back. This lack of consecration of all that we are and have to God, arising $\because 0 \mathrm{om}$ the want of a full and abiding sense of His supreme claims upon us, will be found, if self-examination is honestly and faithfully made, to be the real cause rf going back. Is there any part of a Christian's life which we need to guard more carefully, of which it needs more emphatically to be said than this, which is the root and source of it all, the constant indwelling and power in and cver us of the Holy Spirit, "we must not go back." If there be a general going back, here will be found to be the real cause of it ; for nothing can be more true than that, if Christians do not respond to the working within them of God by His Spirit, there will follow a going back in all Christian life and work.

## THE LONGEST REIGN.

ALREADY for some time past proposals and plans of many kinds have been made, and are constantly being made, for worthily celebrating the reign of Victoria, the longest in the annals of
English history, and not only the longest, but: which is of more consequence, in many respects that most vitally affect the well-being and welldoing of the whole nation, by far the most memorable since the landing of Cæsar upon the shores of Britain. There will certainly be fêtes, and feasts and pomps in abundance, and we have no fault to find with these, but it would surely be a pity, and altogether most unworthy, should it be marked only by rejoicings of that kind. There surely ought to be some act of thanksgiving over the whole empire in recognition of the goodness of Almighty God in granting to it so long and beneficent a reign as has been enjoyed under one of the wisest and gentlest of sovereigns. Steps are being taken, we see, in some cities of Britain to celebrate the event by the founding of benevolent, philanthropic, and humane institutions for the relief of the destitute and afflicted. This is becoming and most beautiful.

It would be also a most fitting culmination of so long and auspicious a reign if some steps could be taken, the object and effect of which would markedly be to cement in closer bonds of unity the whole of what is now one vast empire. A measure of the kind indicated, and which it is hoped will be crowned with complete success, is the Pacific cable scheme, cunnecting by a direct line and branch lines every one of the great dependencies of the empire ; and, so far as Canada is concerned, a fast Atlantic steamship service to the Mother Country from Canadian ports all the year round. Sir James Grant's report is that in Britain "this is considered absolutely necessary to centralize the commercial future of the empire, and unify the feeling which is growing up and uniting more slosely the colonies to the empire." Such a memorial of Victoria's reign would have this advantage, that it would be lasting, and also it would naturally branch out in ever-widening ramifications, and tend to spread and consolidate the blessings of union among increasing millions of English-speaking people, who, in whatever part of the globe their home might be, would pride themselves in being British subjects as much as ever the proudest, mrit patriotic Roman did in being a citizen of Rome. It would be something worthy of so great a reign as that of Queen Victoria has been, that it should be the one from which should be dated the beginning, at least, of definite proceedings with a distinct view to the unifying for the good of the empire, and for the world's good, these great, free, enlightened, and professedly Christian states which are to be found in every part of the globe, the offspring of the British parent state.

The question of how this happy event should be celebrated by Canada, as we think there surely ought to be some national celcbration, most properly falls to be considered in the Dominion Parliament. This would be an occasion on which all parties could unite with equal loyalty and pride to do honour to one whom all respect, honour, or even revere. Doubt!ess, also, the chief cities of the Dominion will desire in some way peculiar to each to commemorate so unusual an event, either by some passing celebration, or in some more enduring way, which shall hand down to children's children for generations yet to come the memory of one in her place as Queen so wise, and good, and of a reign so fruitful of blessing while it lasted, and down through long ages of the future.

## JBooks and תlinagazines.

The November Homilchic lieziecu contalns as lead log articles in "to first section. "The Apostle Paul as a Preacher." "Homiletics "Viewed as Rhetoric," and
"Preseat Day Apologettcs," by Dr. ${ }^{\text {F. }}$ F. Ellingwood. Prolesser McCurdy continues his valuable notes. The preachers represented lo the sermonic Section are: Rev. John Waison, D.D. (Ian Maclaren), Rev. F. B. Meyer and Rev. Thomas Parry, D.D. Texis and themes are suggested for the thankslulug season. Other parts are varied and useful and tha Seclal Section treats of important present day ismues. LFunk \& Wagalis Company, 30 Lafayette Place,
New Yoik, N.Y., U.S.]

The November number of the: Ves/munster is, by way of anticlpatlon, to some extent a Thanksgiving one. Among its principle articies whlch are approprlately illusirated we Prof. Baird, of Wioniper ; "The Prlaceton Sesquicentennial;" "Student Llifo la Montreal;" Rev. Dr. Barclag's ecture at the opening of our colloge there, "History of the English Jews," and a chapter from "Kate Carnegie and those Ministers," Ian Maclaren's last work. In the way of storter, we may meation "How Kirsty came to her Crown," "Saved by a Nest of Hornets," "Miss Sallie's Thanks. glving," and "Short Stories about Mackay of Formosa." theme. Tho rest of the magazine is filled up with short and varled pleces of inierest. The Westminster Co., Toronto.

Scribner's Magasinc for November is one of much beauty and taterost, It opens with a realistic account and illustratlons of "Yanther Shooting in Oentral Iodia," by Captaln C. T. Melliss, Other interesting and well illustrat-
ed articles are, "The Renalssance of Lithography," with numerous lllustration: "Ovar the Chilkoot Pass to the Yukon," treats of a country attractiog every vear a greater number of tourists "Women Bachelors in New York,"" and "Mp Indian Plunder," are among the more solld articles.
Besides "Sontmental Tommy", concluded, are lighter papers, "What America has Done for Whist," "Specs". "An Amerlcan Mother," "Toe Camera and the Company." Tae Point of View, The Field of Art, and About the Wurld take up and discurs in an Interosiligg way the nsual variety Of ${ }_{\text {Unt }}^{\text {top }}$

In the Arerra for November, as its readers would expect, there are to be found several articles bearing more or less
closely Closely $u$ upon the preseat crises lo public affitirs in the
$U$ alted Stater. Wa menton these: "Four Epichs in the Ualled States. We mention these: "Four Ep ichs in the
History of Our Republic," "The Issue of 1896," "The Sımpiscliy ol a Sicklo Tax," "Free Colnage Ind ispensable,", "The Impending Cisisls." "A L keness of Kate Field" forms a strikiog fronilspiece and is foliowed by an appreciative sketch by Lillan Whitpey;, Other interestiog artucles are: "Jesus and the Apontles," "The Medical Crisis of the Elchicenit Century," "The North American Indian," and "Can We Hayo an lnfallible Revelation." Two good poems are, "Night and Day," and "The Days to Cime."
"Between Two Warlds" 19 concluded in this number, and "Between Two Warlds" 19 concluded in this number, and there is an index and table of contents of this volume, the s'xieenth. [Tne Arean Yublishing Company, Buston, Mass.
U.S.]

One of the strongest articles in the current Methodist Magazino ls that by S. H. Biake, on "Needed Prısu Re"torms." Rev. Profons:ir Antiff bas, an illustrated artucle on "The Story of the Eag ish Bible," and the Edi or two beauilitully $i$ lusirated ones on "The Wonders of ibe Yellowstone," and the other, on those strange people, "Tae Mound-Bullders and Caff•Dwellers." "Among the Mdories" is a graphle account of the abolizines of New \%saland, and the success ol miasions in Chrisilanizi x them. Tae Rev. W. L. Waiklason's admirable sermon on "Tne Lite Indeed," is glven, A generous "Appreciation" of Jnhn Wesley, by Presldent Rogers; a luctd article on "Tae Stundists, the Mathodists of Russis ; a sketch of Bi, hop Taylor, and up-todate notes of the Wor'd's Prngress, Recent Scieace, Current Thought, Book Reviews, Religious and Missionary latelingeace, and three stroogly witten Stoties, make up a aumber of special interest. [Menaodit Magazine and Review for Nuvember, 1896. Torunto : William Briges. Price, $\$ 2.00$ a year.]
by "Break o' Day" is the loteresting title of a new book by George Wharton Edwards, whose "Thumb-Nail were also published by The Century Company in the same charming little brown-leather editlon, which would make a most dainty Christmas giff. Tae book contains seven short sketches-mosi dolightiful because they are merely sketches which we are allowed to fill in from our own experience and imagiantion. Of the seven, "A Watch and a Chain" is the best, while the sketch that gives to the volume its pretty name is the least to our taste. The former tells of a fisherman's desire to get for hls sbarp-longued, though dearlyloved wife a coveted watch and chain ; of his chatdinke joy When, at last, he holds the preclous package in his havd, and then of his disappolntment when "Sara Liz" reproaches him violently for spending money on a luxary of that kind when the morigage upon their home is about to be foreclosed, Parhos is pertaps the dominant feature of the whole book, although humor, and very bright humor, is preseat also, but nowhere is pathos so keen, so deep as When we rend that "Davy, with all the light gone from his face, stood looklog at bla enraged wife. He dropped the
precious watch and chaln in a rattling heap on the table precious watch and chaln in a rattling heap on the table amond the soiled dishes. His face became pale, and he
looked old. Then he weat out of the bouse, bis wift's voice ringing in hls ears, down the path 10 his fish-house. There he stumbled about in the dark for a moment; then he sat down on a plle of nets aud put his face in his hands." [The
Century Company, New York.]

The year draws to its close through still sweet days.
From wood and field exhales a dreamy haze And uiry veil thatrrails soft lengtbs away, And lends a ghostly beauty to decay.
Like tro.$=$ lisds the bright leaves waver by In rustling dufts along the patheray lie: Where runs the lichened wall across the downs The asters stand in raghed purple gowns.
The sieck cows crop the juicy aftermath Beside the brook along a lowland path And on the hillside in the sun, behold The yellow stubble shines like slems of gold : O days so lair, so full of solemn checr.
The lest and brighest of the whole long year-
A type of souts that triumph o'er decay,
And shine the brighter as they pass away.
-The Congregationalist.

## "AMI NY BHOTHER'S KEEPER?"

The san was just dropping behind a huge bank of clouds in the west. It was late in the fall, and in the region of country north-west of us, which an Arctic climate holda benumbed for four or five monthe of the year, every sunny day thet comes at that scason is one more reprieve from tho dreaded winter. Ranch liie in winter in any of our northwestern states involves hardships that few people who have not experienced them ever dream of. Those who have had such trial can sympathise to a great extent with the Pilgrims in their first exporience on the inhospitable shores of New England.
"Seems to me, John, I can just see them poor creatures gettin' out $o^{\prime}$ the boat in that freezin' cold weather, an' nowhere on earth to go-bad to bnild a log hat to live in. I think they were a dreadful brave people."
"Who're you talkin' about, Han. nah?"
"I was just thinkin' about the Pilgrims."
" O , them people that settled Massachusetts 9 P'r'sps 'twasn't a cold day when they landed. Besides, they came over here to got their own way; lots of people are brave enough for that."
" You're always runnin' people down, John. I'm sure I'd like to know why you cone way out here to this foriora place-it's like the last end of nowhere unless 'twas to have your own was. And Fou bad a good business in the East, too. Folks might say hard things of you if ihey tried."
"What's that to me, I'd like to know 9 I'll go where I can ran the business I want to without being meddled with all the time."
"Bat there's no law in Conareticut 'gainst keepin'a saloon if you kept your license paid up."
" No moro thero isn't, but I'd rather Gght the law than bave a dozen o' those women cranks naggin' at me all the time."
"I don't know sometimes but they're right, though, if they aro cranky," said the woman a little sallegly. "It don't seem to me, when I think of it, as though we had any right to sell stuff to people that's almost sure death to ' cm in the longran."

She ended rather defiantly, liko a person who acts from a resolve to do something totally at variance with his whole previous line of condact, and who feels at the same time a little ashamed to let bis change ofopin:on be known. Her busband tazned so look at her curionsly. Sbo went on with ber work without heeding him. Ircsently, be walked acrows the room and atood beforo her.
"Seems to me," he said slowly, "you're changin' your mind rather late; yon never used to have no objections to sellin' folks what they wanted. An' I'll just warn ge that them airs wor't do no good. I'm sellin' liquor, an' I'm goin' to do it spite of any one. Other people an' their childrun kin take care $0^{\prime}$ themselves."
"Other people's children, yes; but how about your own'? Maybo you'd better be-lookin' after jours."
"What d'ye mean by that 9 " demanded the man fiercely. "I ain't got bat ong, an' d'ye thiak Mary Ann'll take to drink 1 Not mach; she's too mach like her old father for that."

His facs softened as he spoke of bis child. Then he turned away, went out of the door and down towards the barns where some of the atock was housed for the winter. Far away above the prairie be saw a horseman conuing. "Someone for the mail," he said to himself. "But Hannab's in there : she'll tend to him till I get through." He went on to the barn, thinking of the child of whom he had spoken-Mary Ann-the one thing that he loved. He recalled the time when she had first began to notice him; when she had first said: "Dada;" all the years when he had carried her 'round in his arms; then let her ran after him when he was at work; all through ber girlhood when she had been so mach to him; ap to the time of ber marriage, his thoughts travelled. She had been away from home now for two years, and the house had never been the same since. It is true she lived on the next ranch, but that was a distance of ten miles away.
"Poor little Mary Ann, poor little gal!" he mattered to himself. "I mast go over an' see her to-morrow. Somehow it seemed 's though she didn't look so happy the last time I was there. If I thought that fellow was asin' her bad, I'd —I'd-yes, I'd kill him sure."

Meantime, the horseman John had seen away in the distance had arrived, tied his horse, and disappeared within the bouse. He was in the rough ranch dreas, but his voice when he spoke and his words betrayed the gentleman.
"Good-day, Mrs. Simpson. Isn't it good that winter holds off so long ${ }^{\prime \prime}$
"Yes, sir, it is that," replied Haunai. "I only rish it wouldn't comeat all ; but.that's not to be thought of."
"No, and it's coming soon, too. It will be a tough night to-night anleas. I'm mistaken."
"Here's your mail, sir ; an' what'll yo have to dink?"
"Nc:":"ag, thank you," was the grave reply.

## The woman reddened as she said:

"I know you don't take anything; I didn't think, I'm so ueed to ankin' that question of evergbody that comes in."
"That's all right, Mrrs. Simpion. I know jou wouldn't tempt me. I don't gend the staff, you set; and as I know I'm better without it, I don't take it."

Hannab said nothing. The man started toward the door, but tursed before he reached it, añd spuke.
"When have you seen your danghter, Mrb. Simpson ?
"It muat be goin' on two weeks now, sir, since John was over there, an' I hain't seen her for longer yet. And somebow she don't find time to come bere. A married woman's time ain't her own always, you krow."
"I saw her as I camo by this atcor-
noon, and she looked-" the man hesitat-ed-" rather lonely. Why don't you go and see her oftener?"
"She ain't siok, is aheq" aoked the mother anxiously.
"Sbe didn't look woll," replied the man evasively.
"John an' me'll go over to-morrow or next day," said the mother. "IWA was goin' then anyway."
"Be sure you do go to-morrow, if possible," said the man earneatly as be left the honse. "She's alone a great deal, you know; her hueband bas to bo away so much."

To himself he said: "I'll stop and see the girl on my way back, and tell her they are coming; perhaps that will keep her straight until to-morrow." Bat when he reached the ranch, no one was to be seen. "She's gone already, and taken the baby with her, poor girl ! l'd go after her if my wife wasn't looking for meat just such a time. She'd be frightened to death if I didn't get back to-night. I must go home first, anyway." So he took the trail back to his own ranch, while poor Mary Ann was already well on the road to a postoffice station fifteen miles a way in a direction opposite to her father's house.
" What't that you said, Dan 3 A woman found dead? Where?

John Simpson asked the question listlessly.
"Over near Miller's station, 'bout half way 'tween there nn ' your gal's house."
"I'm glad it wasn't no nearer hers; 'twould abont have frightened her to death if she knowed it. Mary Ann was an awfal skeory little thing! Who found the woman, Dan?"
"That feller that came out here last spring; I've forgot his name; lives 'bout ten miles tother side $0^{\circ}$ Mary Ann's."
"I know; Robinson, you mean; he was here seeterday. Nice kind of feller, I guess, though I couldn't never gat no moner out of him for liquor. He giv' me a lecture w'en he first come out for seilin' liquor, but he hain't never meddled with mesince, an' 1 don't know as I bear him sny gradge."
"What did he say ter you?"
"I don' know. He preached a reg'lar sermon; took for his text: 'AmImy brother's keeper:' an' at the end he ast me how'd I like to have somebody sellin' liquor to $m y g a l, a n$ soe her drinkin' herself to death. I told him there warn't s grain o'sense in talkin' $0^{\prime}$ that. My child was all right, an' I didn't feel no call to look artor other people's chilrun. They must shift for themselves."
"Guens if Robinson'd goze on that plan you'd never known what vecomie o' your gal," said Dan blantly.

He had been trying in this way to break the and newa gently to old John. But he maw through tho window the rude waggon coming over the plain with its barden, the yoang mother with the bube in her arms, both dead-frozen to death on the plains in the ferce cold of the night before. He felt John mast know the fact before, the sad sight mot hir eyes. So he continued:
"If Robinson hadn't gone to hont her up, tho suow 'd mighty soon have buried ber, an' yon'd never have foand her."
John turned muagely apon - the
speaker.
"Dan Jones, are jor lany i Do yer
know yon'ro tallin' ibout my gal \&"
"That's jest the one I'm tellin' yer about," persisted Dan. And incensed by John's words and expression, he barat forth with the naked trath. "Yoar gal went over to Miller's station yeetorday an got drank, an' comin' home, abe laid down on the ground an' froze to deuth-her an the young nn, too." He sprang aside as he spoke, or John's fist would have felled him to the floor.
"If I hear o' you repeatin" sech a lie agin' I'll eend you where yon'll wish jou'd nevor said it."
"Come and see for yerself," said Dan doggedly as he reached the door, and opening it, slipped outaide.

The waggon had stopped close to the house, and two men aided by Dan began removing from it what looked like a rude bier. A light blanket covered it, and John could not see what was beneath; but it looked like the form of a woman. It was the woman Dan had been talking aboat he supposed; but why were they briaging her-it-into the house? If they wanted to send it off by the train, it would be better to go directly to the dtation -a few rods further down the road. Through the window he saw the men approaching the door; and he tried to go forward to speak to them; bat he suddenly found himself nazale to do it. A horrible fear bad seized apon him : He conld not tell what. The men came on ap the steps and entered the open door-having some little troable to get their burden through. They laid it apon the floor in front of John where he stool with his back to the stove. Somebody-it was Robinson he found out afterward-came anditonched inis arm, and spoke some words which fell apon his ear withont any meaning. Then he tarned down the blanketand John saw the familiar: girlish face and form, with the baby in its arms. Only a glance he gave it, and then with a low gronn fell on the floor benide it, as stiff, and to all appearances as lifelese, at the corpse itself.

It was not a "atroke," though they thought at first it was; John recovered sud transacted his businesy both in and out of the houre an before-with a siagln exception. Of course, the bar was clomed antil after the foneral. And until the faneral, John wouid not leavo his " little gal," as be callod her still ; but sat beaide her coustanaly, day and night, often talking to her. He seemed to draw some mental comfort and healing in this way. He said, long after to Mr. Rojinson :
"It didn't geem to me that time as though Mary Ann was really dead. I know'd she was, bat I couldn't make it soem so. An' as I talked to her, I told her all how I come to be so carolece-like, an' selish. I tried to blame her husband first for her gittin' that bad habit. Bat I see plain enongh, pretty soon, that I conldn't do that in remeno. 'Cauie he neverdrank a drop, an' nevor had a drop in tho house. No, sho jeot larned how to ase it at home-in her old daddg's house-her daddy that woald a-died for ber, an' never thought it nothin.' I used to give her a drop or two mysolf once in awhile When she was very leetle-jeat to $s e 0$ her laugh an' any: ' More, dada.' Bat when I put her at the bar to sell it, I told her vary decided: ' You musta'l nover tech a drop jourself, little gal,' an' she promised not to. 'Twatin' $\begin{gathered}\text { right to serve her } 80 \text {; 'twas too }\end{gathered}$ bard oa her. Jost to Jarn her to like the staff, an' then pat ber to give it to evorgone eleo, an' not take ithersolf: Bat

I askel her pardon for it that time 'fore wo pith her out o' aight. An' suro as you atan' there, I heard har say-jest with hor own yoice: 'Forgive you, father 9 Why, of course, you didn't know what you was doin:': An' I didn't then," he concluded with omphasis. "An" what's more I wouldn'c believe what was told me."
" One change in John's eatablishment was apparent to some of his customers. After his daughter's death, his stock of liquors cuddenly gave out. From the day his child was brought home dead, and his wifo suddenly closed the bar, not another drop of liquor was sold. To the first man who asbed if hatcould have some, John said simply
"No, sir, yon' can't."
To Robinson only and to Hannah, did he vouchsafe any explanation of his intentions.
"Guess Y'll try to look after somebody else's chillran a little, now I can't sen after my own any more; " the words onded in a husky voice, and John suddenly bent his head and sobbed, as only a man can sob, and then only when his heart is broken.-Helen D. Blake in Neto York Olserver.

## A VISION OF BEAUTY.

## MY REV. fimbamb astos.

Twelve miles from Perth, on the south bank of the Tay, near the janction of the Tay and Earn, there is the loveliest variety of river scenery that the wide world can offer for the eye's delight. An hour's sail up the Tay, discloses one of the choicest titbits of wood and water scenery in Britain.

The Rhine itself has nothing more beantiful, if we allow for the absence of unediecval castles and remember that the tourist on the Rhino has days of scenic delight, while here one hour mast content him. The view, as seen from a favorable point cannot certainly be surpassed by anything on earth.

The evening: ${ }^{\eta}$ is shedding a golden light apon Strath Earn, and hastening to seek well-earned repose in the bosom of the Grampians, that stretch across the horizon forty miles a way.

The winding Earn twists and turns, in its erratic course, lying like a necklace of burnished silver apon the landscape, gracefally encircling the whole valley with its flashing splendour and enhancing the beauty of the prospect, till it thrills the heart of every one to whom modern lifs has given the sixth sense-the passionate delight in carth's most roasantic scenes. In the foreground are the Mugdram woods, while far away up the Strath are rich pastares and diminutive woods grouped here and there in picturesque irrega. larity. On the right is the silvery Tay, $a$ very goddess in her peerless beanty.

The river is here, fally a mile in bremdth and all the way towards Perthits glory flashes opon the eye as if it were a mighty mass of molten silver dazzling one with its more than earthly splendear. The silver shields of twenty thousand warriors reflecting the light from their polished surfices could not surpass the brilliance and beanty of the pictare, while the oge obtains wolcome relicf as the glory is veiled and relieved by the dark, green woods that clothe the foot of Mon crieff Hill with their chaste beauty. The tide is fall and strong and there is a suggestion of passion and power and purity in the whole scenc. Like a living crea. tare, a fair goddess, the boeom of this silver captivating river, almost seems to henve with a voluptrous swell.

In our very front, in the bed of the river, is Mugdrum Island, a milelong, and acrose tho rive: the Carse of Gowrie, perbape the most fertile of Scotland's plains. while boyond are the low hills of Forfarshire, and iwelve milcs down the river, tha Tay Bridge, with Bonnie Dandee in the backgroand.

Such a hair viaion of brilliance and brighteens to one who has seen the whole nader the conditions deacribed, will be in his hourt for all coming time a picture of earthly lovelineer, a thing of benaty and ajoy for over.
Merrickrille, Ont.

Our Doung folks.

## A GAME OF TAG.

A grasshoppet once had a game of tag When he stubbed his toe and over the went In the twinkling of an eje.
Then the crickets leaned up against a fence And lauthe till their sides were sore. But the grasshopper said, "You are laughing at And me.
So off he went, tho he wanted to stay,
For he was not hurt by the fall.
And the gay litlle crickets went on with the
And never mis ed him at all.
A bright.eyed squirrel called out as he paysed,
Swinging from a tree by his toes,
What a foolish fellow ihat grasshopper is
Why, he's lit off his own litle nose."
-Nezo Orleans Picayume.

## WOLFGA vG MOZAltT'S PRAYER.

Many yeara ago in the town of Salzburg, Austria, two little children lived in a cot surrounded by vinea, near a pleasant river. They both loved music, and when only aix years of age Frederica conld play well on a barpsichord. But from her little brother such strains of melody would resound throngh the humble cottage as were never before heard from so young a child. Their father was a teacher of masic, and his own children were his best papils.

There came times so hard that these children bad acarcely enough to eat, but they loved each other, and were happy in the simple enjogments that fell to their lot.

One pleassnt day they said: "Let us take $a$ walk in the woods. How aweetly the birds sing, and the scund of the river as it flows is like music."

So they went. As they wers sitting in the shadow of a tree the boy said thoughtfully:

Sister, what a beautiful place this would be to pras."

Frederica asked wondering: "What shall we pray for?"
"Why, for papa and mamma," said her brother. "You see how sad they look. Poor mamma hardly ever smiles now, and I know it must be because she has not always bread enough for us. Let ns pray to God to help us."
"Yes," said Frederica, "we will."
So these two sweet children knelt down and prayed, asking the beavenly Father to bless their parents and make them a help to them.
"Bat how can wo help papa and mammu1" asked Frederiza.
"Why, don't jou knowi" replied Woligang. "My soul is full of masic, and by and by I shall. play before great poople, and they will give me plenty of money, and I will give it to our dear parents, and we'll live in a fine house and be happs."

At this a load laugh astonisbed the boy, who did not know that anyono was near them. Tarning he saw a fine gentleman who had just come from the woods. The atranger made inquiries, which the little girl answered, telling him:
"Wolfgang means to be a great masician; he thinks that be can earin money, so that wo shall no longer be poor."
" IIe may do that when he has learned to play well enougb," replied the atranger. Frederica answered:
"He is only six years old, bat plays beautifally, and can compone pieces.'
"That cainiot be," replied the .gentleman.
"Come to see. us," said the boy, "and
$x$ will play for you."
" I will g o thia erening," anawered the
atranger.

The children went home and told their storg to thoir parents, who soemed much pleased and astonished.

Soon a loud knock was heard at the door, and on opening it the little family were surprised to see men bringing in baskets of richly-cooked food in variety and abundance. They had an ample feart that evening.

Thus God answered the children's prayer. Soon after, while Wolfgang was playing a sonata which ho had composed, the atranger ontered and atood astonished at the wondrous melody. The father recognized in his guest Erancis I., the Ewperor of Austria.

Not long afterward the family were invited by the Emperor to Vienna, where Wolfgang astonished the rogal family by his wonderful powers.

At the age of fifteen years Wolfgang was acknowledged by all eminent com. posers as a master.

Mozart was a good Christian as well as a great masician. The simple trust in God which he learned in childhood never forsook him. In a letter to his father he says :
'I never lose aight of God. I acknowledge his power and dread his wrath, but at the same time I love to admire his goodness and mercy to his creatures. He will never abandon his servant. By tine falfilment of his will mino is satiefied."

The simple, trusting faith of the young musician was remarkable, and it teaches old and young a lesson. $-E x$.

MOTHER'S "TALL BOY."

## (Contiuded.)

But if the woman's mother-love was gratified by those lindnesses to her poor boy, her mother-pride was restless that they should know "her Jim" was fair to see. "Taint neither one on you got such a height as Jim," she said proudly, meas. uring her lodgers with a half scornful eye. "Men don't grow so tall nowhere, they toll me, as in ole Virginy and Kaintucky. Calvin's a good boy, though I say it as shouldn't, but if you want to see a man stand six feet two in his stockings-."
"There, mother," said the boy hastily, "I reckon as how you've said about cnough on your tall son." There was no jealousy in the tone with which this was said, no apparent ill-will in the patient sweetness of expression-but with the quick perception of the afflicted, the lad evidently sam by the faces of the travellers that his mother's words displeased them, though ho hardly knew why.

Bat the spirit of one of the strangers was stirred within him; be felt that yearning compasion for the saffering boy that all brave, manly sonla feel to wards the nnfortunate; and in Wilhelm Meger's beart the feeling was deepened by anion with his Divine Master, whowe tender pity is over all His creatures.
"It makes precions little difference what a man's beight is," he said in an earneat, ringing tone, "if you measare by inches; a man is only as high in God's sight as his beat deeds. I know a littlo man, no taller than Calvin here, who is a giant, because his heart is so big that it takes in all the world. Aoybody who does a brave, anselfish thing is tall as compared with thooe of a dwarfed, mean mirit, and it Jim is going to get mes to look ap to him, it is not because ho stands five inches taller in his stockinge, but becanse he is good to his mother and brother.!"
"I my, old fellow," young Lawrence

Ould ejaculated, as they rodo along in the rising March wind, their faces turned northward again, "I never dreamed you were so much a preacher before. But how much of what you said do yon suppose your audience understood ${ }^{\prime \prime}$
" Not much, I'm afraid," answered his companion balf sadly. "It would have been better, if $I$ had said it more plainly; it was probably an idle word to both of those ignorant people.'

But he was mistaken. There camo a glorious October day when the Blue Ridge wan decked in scarlet and gold, when the distant Alleghanies were wrappad in a mantle of parple haze, when " Whistle Creek," and " Irish Creek," and "Carr Creek," ran bright and sparkling in the gay sunshine, and who should dismonnt at the door of the little cabin among the bills, but our March travellers! You would not have known these jaunty, well appointed horsemen for the storm-beaten creatures we first saw at this door. The weather had veen one long golden shine, tonicked with cool mornings and evenings, and the valley of Virginis smiled upon them in her gorgeons robes like an Indian bride adorned for her brave.

And the inmates of the little cabinbave they changed, too 3 Ah, it is not the humpbacked boy who answers to their knock this time. They recognize the tall head and broad shoulders of the young giant, who gazes perplexedly at them; this is Jim, of course.
"How's the mother, and whero's our friend Calvin?" asked young Lawrence gayly. "I hope they are expecting us?"
"If you are friends of my poor boy, you are welcome," said Jim with sorrowful dignity; " you're none too carly to sec him."

How glad the boy was to see the strangers! He was dying, but his mind was quick and active; on his pillow lay the little red Testament they had given him, and the "Come to Jesus" some other passer-by bad left. He knew where ho was going, and his Guide had fast hold of his hand.." The pastor of the "old stone charch" had como twelve miles to see him, again and again bringing words of hope. and comfort in his Mrster's name.

Bat the aight of the two young men recalled to the boy's mind Wilhelm's words about the measurement of a man ; and in full calm view of the river he was about to cross, his thought turned back with a pleased fancy to those words:
"Mother calls me-her tall-boynow." he panted; "tell 'em, mother." But the womathrew her apron over her head, and ran ont of the cabin. The dying ejes turned to Jim, and Jim steadied his voice as mach as he conld, poor fellow, to tell how the cripple, left aione in the cabin while his mother was nuraing Jim through typhoid fever in Staun ton, had risked his life in a great storm, to amve a neighbor's little boy who had wandered out into the hills.

There was no ranity in the happy look the humpback turned upon the strang. ers; bis bright oyes seemed to ask their pleased sympathy, that ho had had his chanceafter all to do something big and to grow into his mother's "tall boy." Bat a sudden spasm of pain seized him, and the mother flew back to his side in time to catch his last glance, as Wilhelm knecled and committed the young soal to his waitiog, loving Sapiour.
"He is your tall boy, indeed, now, mother," said the traveller (uning Calrin' term for her), whe gased on the lofty expression of the dead face. "He has reached the beight now of angels and archangels, of cherubim and seraphim, of the spirits of just men made perfect."Elizaleth P. Allan, in Young People's Weakly.
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## 2hiuisters aud Chutchtas.

The new church at Palmerston, Ont., is to be lighted with acctylene gas.
Rev. John Little has declined the call extended to him by the Dutton congregation.

It is said that there is a likelihood of a Pres pterian Church being opened at Scotland.
Miss Eakins read a clever paper at a recent meeting of the Milbrook Christian Endeavo Society.
Rev. Hector Currie, of Thedford, delivered a pre-communion address lately, in the church at
Park Hill. ark Hill.
Messrs. George Hysop and John Thomson
have been elected elders by the Moose Jaw conhave been elected elders by the Moose Jaw congregation.
The pulpit of the Church at Crawford was filled on a recent Sabbath by the Rev. I. Little of Dornoch.
Rev. W. S. McTavish will represent Hastings South on the general executive of the Oatario Sunday School Association.
Mr. W. S. Frost, of Orillia, conducted service in the Ardtrea Church, on the Ist. inst. This charge has not yet decided upon a minister.
"Life's Problems" was the subject of a lecture delivered in the church at Ailsa Craig,
lately, by the Rev. G. H. Smith. It was practical lately, by the $R$
and informing.

Rev. S.S. Burns, B.A., of Knox Church Westport, has accepted a call from the Presby terian Church of Stirling, Ont. Stipend \$900, and a free manse
Rev. H. S. Beavis, D.D., has been accorded a call by the congregation of the First Congregational Church, Hamilton, at a salary of $\$ 1,200$, with one month's holidass andually
Rev. J. H. Graham, the new pastor of the Avonton and Carlingford Churches, rec ently delivered an address on "Methods of Work" to the young people at the latter charge.

Rev. R. E. Knowles, of Ottawa, is opposed to French Evangelization, avd thinks that the money expended upon this object might much more profilably be spent in increasing the stipends of North west mis
Rev. Dr. Hunter, of this city, spoke on "The Good Old Times" very effectively in Konx
Church, South London, last week. Rev. J. G. Church, South London, last week. Rev, J. G.
Stuart presided. Rev. J. W. Clark and Dr. G. Stuart presided. Rev. J. W.
M. Milligan also spoke briefly.

The attendance at the Gaelic service in Knox Cburch, city, Sabbath 1 ist inst. was larger than usual. Quite a number of aged people walked
several miles to hear the gospel in their native several miles to Dr. Alexander Mackay preached.
Messrs. R. Balfour, Andrew Patterson, I. Madil and W. O. Eastman have accepted the nositions of elders in St. John Presbyterian
Church, Hamilton, to which they were recently Church, Hamiton, to which they were recently
elected and will-be inducted on Sunday, Nov. elected.
22nd.

The last meeting of the Holstein Christian Endeavor Society was led by Mr. A. Dodds and Mi:s Lizzie Kennedy. A letter of condolence, signed
by the secretary, Miss Tillie Stevenson, with Mrs. bp the secretary, Miss Tillie Stevenson, with Mrs.
Schenk, on the loss of her mother by death was Schenk,
drafted.

Dr. Geikie, treasurer of the Armenian Relief Fund, is expecting a considerable contribution to the fund. When this is sent off it will bring the amount which has passed through his hands in aid of th
$\$ 14.000$.

The Rev. W. S. Smitb, pastor of St. Paul's Church, Middleville, was the recipient recently of 2 well filled purse of money from the young
perple of his congregation in recognition of their esteem for him and his deep interest in Sabbath !chool work.

Rev. Mr. Bnyd, who has been recently under he Calgary Presoytery, will assume charge of the Buffalo Lake mission field for the coming winter.
Rev. Mr. Stephens, who has been in charge for Reveral months past, has received a call from the Souris congregation and will be inducted shortly.
The annual thanis-oftering meeting of the Lakefield, was held on Sabbath morning November ist. The report showed the sociely to be in a prosperous condition. A sermon appropriate to the occasion was preached by the pastor from the words: "Help those women which laboured
with me in the gospel." The offering amounted to nearly $\$ 30$.

A service of praise was given by the choir of the Central Presbyterian Church, Toronto, on the evening of the 4th inst., and a large congregation
attended. The programme rendered was an excellent one, among those taking part being Mr. Heinrich Klingenfeld, Mr. Rechab Tandy, Miss C. Louise Tandy, Miss Acton Bond, Miss Mima Lund, Mr. Walter Sparks and Mr. V. P. Hunt, organist and choirmaster.
The annual Harvest Home of St. Andrew's Church, Orangeville, was celebrated this year by a supper and sociable. The former part of the programme was excellent, while the latter was no less meritonouf, Rev. D. McKenzie, the pastor,
opened with praver, after which Mr.W.J.Knox sang opened with praver, after which Mr. W. IK Hox esang
a beautulul solo. Rev. Tohn Young, of Hamilton, gave a most interesting lecture on "The Mam. gave a most interesting lect
moth Caves of Kentucky."

The young people of St. Andrew's Church Study and mutual improvement, with the follo ing officers:-Hooorary president, Rev. Dr. Tent. Miss Maggie McKedzie; secretary, John
deEdwards. McEdwards.

Rev. W. G. Jordan, B.A., of Strathroy, preached in Knox Church, Galt, on the Ist inst., in the absence of Dr. Jackson. The Reporter gives an extended synopsis of his morning's discourse, which displays all the excellent qualities so familiar to the
Jordan's work.

Knox College Students' Missionary Society has resumed its meetings and operations in the city for the winter months. On Friday evening a public missionary meeting will be held in Conwill be made by the chairman, Rev. John Neil, Mr. Peter Scott, president of the society, and Mr. Peter Scot, president of
Rev. D. McLeod, of Barrie.
The annual thank-offering service of the W. F.M.S. of the West Flamboro Presbyterian conSunday evening, November ist. The church was crowded. Mrs. John Harvie, of Toronto, spoke for over an hour on the work among the Indians in Manitoba and the North-west, giving a graphic account of her visit to the mission
schools there. The thank-offering amounted to school
$\$ 47$.

Rev. Dr. Jackson, of Galt, created a very rov a meek ago Sabbath for the first lime in conroy a week ago Sabbath for the first time in con-
nection with the anniversary services of St. Andrew's Cburch. The efforts of the choir were also greatly appreciated, and the solo by Miss Pincombe was sweetly rendered. The financial aspect of the services was also satisfactory, the cullection amounting to the handsome sum of $\$ 103$.

The second anniversary of the induction of the Rev. J. M. Millar, M.A., as pastor of Nor-
wich and Bookton, was held recently. Interesting services were held on the Sabbath when the Rev. J. A. Cranston, of Culloden, preached morning and evening. On Monday evening a social meeting was held, at which interesting addresses were given and excellent music was furnished. The proceeds of the whole amounted to $\$ 45$.
At the requiar meeting of the Ministerial Association of Toronto on the ist inst., Prof. G. L.
Robinson gave an excellent address on the sub Robinson gave an excellent address on the sub
ject; "The Present Results of Modern Biblical ject; "The Present Results of Modern Biblical
Criticism in the Department of the Old Testa ment." In the discussion which followed, Dr. Parsons, Dr. Sims, Dr. Connan and others took
part. Rev. Mr. Charlesworth, who is on a trip part. Rev. Mr. Charlesworth, who is on a trip
with Spurgeon's Choir Boys, was introduced, and he made a few interesting remarks on the subject his tour.
The first of a course of lectures under the auspices of the Gaelic Society of Toronto wa given at Richmond Hall on the evening of 'he
$3^{\prime d}$ inst., when Rev. J. A. Morison, of the East Presbyterian Church, spoke on "John Knox and bis Times." Mr. A. Fraser, the president of the society, occupied the chair, and there was a fair sized and appreciative zudience. The lecturer dealt in an interesting manner with the life of the great Scottish Reformer
Miss Martha Smith, B.E., of this city, very recently, at the suggestion of Rev. J. Rennie, of Manitowaning, gave 2 series of recitals in the Northern Section of the Province. She appeared Thessalon, Bruce Mines, Richard's Landing Webbwood, and Masser. The entertainment consisted of selected sacred readings, given b Miss Smith, interspered with sacred songs and solos given by local musical talent. Miss Smith ahilities as a reader have always been recognized and that she succeeded in pleasing her Algom udiences is but natural.
The anniversary services of the Crosshill church were helt on Sabbath, $25^{\prime} \mathrm{h}$ ult. On ac-
count of the indisposition of the Rev. Mr. McKibbin, M.A., the pastor, the services were take by the Rev. Dr. Muffat, of Toronto, secretary of the Tract Society. In the morning there was a large attendance, in the eventig the church was crowdeci to the door. The social gathering on Monday evening was a very great success. Dr Moffat will be heartily welcomed to Crovshill fo another anniversaly, where he again may as earn
estly present the great work of the Tract Society in which he has been so succes ful.

The Rev. I. E. Smith, graduale of the Presbyterian College, Winnipeg, and licentiate of the Presbytery of Winnipeg, recently appointed to
Sudbury, was ordained to the office of the boly ministry by the Presbytery of Algoma, on Tuesday, the 3rd inst. Rev. A. Findlay, Superintendent of missions, presided, and addressed the
minister. Rev. W. A. Campbell, of Coppercliff, minister. Rev. W. A. Campbell, of Coppercliff, preached appropriately to the occasion, and the
Rev. E. D. Pelletier, Chelmsford, addressed the congregation. Many from other congregations in the town joined with our people in this important service, indicating their interest in the event.
On the evening of the ist inst. the members and adherents of Kew Beach congregation met at the residence of Mr. Marcon to bid farewell to Rev. Dr. Wardrope, who for the past nine months has ministered to their spiritual welfare, and
under whose pastorate the young congregation uader whose pastorate the foung congregation has prospered. A very pleasant evening was
spent by young and old, Rev. J. McP. Soott, behalf of the congregation Mr. James Bain, sr., behalf of the congregation Mr. James Bain, st.,
presented Dr. Wardrope with two handsomely

bound volumes of Profes.or McCurdy's, book, he sory, Prophecy aud the Monded. Short ad dresses were also made by Mr. Marcon, Mr Alex. Finlayson and Rev. Mr. Johnson, of East Toronto. The new congregation is in splendid working order. A few week ago elders were elected in tha persons of Mr. John W. Lowden Mr. Alexander

Knox Church, Winnipeg, W.F.M.S. Auxiliary beld its annual thankseiving recently. There were
present about 300 ladies, some of whom were present about 300 ladies, some of whom wer city. In the absence of the president, Mrs. DuVal, the chair was taken by Mrs. George Bryce. On the platform with her was Mrs. Walt the Presbyterial president, who offered prayer and gave an address. Mrs. Matthews read a
paper, after wh ch Miss Nellic Campbell sang paper, after wh ch Miss Nellie Campbell sang
with beauliful expression, "Now Just a Word for Tesus." Mrs. Bryce read the Scripture texts acempanying the offerings which amounted to Mis: Bruce, when Mrs. Brayer was offered presenting a very vivid and graphic account of the Mi sion Council in Glasgow, which she, as 2 delegate from Canada, attended in June. This address was listened to with rapt attention, Mrs. Bryce speaking in clear, distinct tones. A ap the concology and of coffee and bread and butter

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J K．CRANSTON，Galt．
Referring to the remarks made in these columas last week，in proposing a union of the two congregations at Beaverton，the Express of that village says：＂There caio be no ！wo opinions as to the desirability of the union suggested and we have reason to belitere it would be mutually ac－ eeptable to a large section of bith congregatione． If the matter were approachhed in a risociy and
Christian spirit we have litte doubt as to the Chistian spinit we have hould boubis to the
result，which we believe，would be of geai blestiog to all interested．＂

Dr．R．A．Hardie，the Canalian Colleges＇ missinoary in Corea，is home on farlough．He has been making 2 tour of the different colleges interested in his work and is at preseat $2!$
Toronto Uaiversity．He has lately visited seferal Toronto Universily．He has lately visted sceeral of the most promicen colleges in eastera canada，
telliog abour his six－pears＇work in Corea，and
and slirring up enthusiasm in the Canalizn Colleges＇
 was establisted at Toronto Medical College． These 1 wo amalgamated in 1892 ．Since its eatablishment is branches have spiead throughout the c．untrp，and in this way the interest of colleges
in foreiga massionary work has beead deepened and mach good thereby accomplished．

Tuenday of list week saw Mr．K．J．Mardonald ordained，alate gradatate of（uaes．s，followed hy his induction into the pastorate of Knox Church．
Bezvertun．Rev．D．D．McDonald officiated at
 the former service，shdresses being delivered by
the Revs．T．McD．Daccan and J．W．Mc Millan． the Revs．．McD．Dancan and J．W．Mic Vitlan．
Rev．J．A．MeKenzie，of Cambray，preached the Raduction sermon．The social meeting．in the evening was largely attended．Rer．G．McKay，
Suaderland，presided with accustomed geniality． Sugderknd，presided win atcustomed geniality． Adaresses were delivered by Rivs，NeDonald，of Lray Dnacen of Woodnille．Rix of Cannington－
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ver sweelly．Ret．G．McKay，who scled as very sweelly．Rev．G．McKay，who acled as
Moderator during the vacancy，was unde the recipient of a valuble preseat as 2 alight recogni－ tion of his services．

AUGKENTATION OF STIPENDS．
statement from the convener．
At ith hate meeting the Western Section of the Abe wbole field，arravged grants ani fuced the Work of manher year．If the reivited reasores
of Roulhod had been at our compand，wo might of Roclind had been at our command，wo might
have rejorted the work as cood as done，bit as have zejonted the work as good as done，bit as
it is we have to take panse sid alk the Cburch to it is we bave to take pappe and ack the Church to
face the poition i along with us．I fke leave． thercifori，to fomidh information on seme points which clay be incteretiog rio and appreciation of what we are doing and of what they shoald help us 10 do ．

The oumber of congregations on the list re－
 are jars＂the same old job lot．＂Lant year oret iweaty coogregalions became seli．sansiaiang and
many others made advacces in sell－belp．Thus the way was opeoed up for roceiving sh almost
equal number．taken principally ficm the liat of
the Home Mission Committee．This illustrate he nature of our operiaions，and it may surely
be hoped that our people will remember this donation of twenty self．sustaining congregations to the strength of the Church，when next they are arraging their donations to the Augmentation Fund． is from gratifying reports and messages come tc ＂These are changed days with us io the ${ }^{\text {Pres }}$ ． bytery of Quebece；there is not a vacancy within our bound，Aurmentation has done great tbings
for us．＂＂Not a vacancy in all our weak for us．＂＂Not a vacancy in all our weak
charges，＂is the report from Montreal ；＂Aus． charges，＂is the report from Montecal；＂Aur．
mentation did it．＂＂The whole Province of mentation dia it．as ithe whole province of Quebec is manned as never befyet，and our Pres
bytetian people are rejoicing in the assurance that oven in sumall ared dwinding communities，the
ever means of grace shall continue to be provided．＂ ＂Without the Augmentation Fund，many church doors would have been closed．
Northern Ontario is openigg up more and more to setllemeot，and sends messages which speak thankfully and hopefully of the condition of our work．North Bay．Farry Sound，Matlawa and other far－off fields have become sell－sustxin－
ing，and help is being sought for the recions be ing，and help is being sougbt for the resions be－
yound．The honour of our Church is at stake yound．The honour of our Church is at stake．
and the help has to be given．The Church will and the help has to be given．The Church will
not fail to endarse such expenditure． The border and Wespen lite．
heir demands，and the reiation between thessen heir demands，and the reiation between them and
the conamittee is becoming ceven more cordial． All along the line，it is believed mere is than fidence in the committee，and approval of the careful methods of its operations．West．That Last of all comes the Great West．That gal lant leader．Dr．Robertson，says：＂A Augmenta－ and solve the dificulty ol bringing the men and the congrepations together，so that happy settlements may result．＂This appeal for men is surely worthy of the consideration of our young minis－ ters，and the committee win certainly give irs
attention to the oiher difficulty which hampers attention to the other difticuly which hampers
our work．Meantime，let it be said that it is the policy of the committee to deal generously with our Great Western field，and those far－off Pres． bytecies may yest assured that it is our eannest desire to do the very best possible in theit be－ half．
Speaking of these matters suggests such ques－
ions as these：Is．no：the true solution of the winter shase：Is．not the true solution of the line of providing means and secking out men，so that some tweng to thirty of seckr stronger mission fields may be settled 2nd uransfersed to the Aug－ mentation list？ 1125 not experience shown that permanence in the manisterial relationship gives cress in thor，and insures permanence as Pre terianism wolle Does not the genius of Presis Would not the Church respond to an appeal on behalf of such 2 method of woiking？These questions are propoanded for the purpnse of draw． $\operatorname{rag}$ forth discossion，and it may be the result shal be zetion in the direction indicated．
What about fands？We need $\$ 25,000$ to get through the year comlortably and to make such adrances 15 should be made．Almost，everybody who knows the exient of our operations believe The weftold is ave those who do some wore What is cost wish 4 ．ampaino of educa what＂ lizence，and touch the consciences and beatls of our people．Then we shall reach the pockers of those who ate well able to girc us all we need．We rely on Preshytenes to take the malier up，and we should find in our ministers about 1，000 camprigners，who shall make it their business to let our peopic know．
Oh，bat you forcet that the times are hard！ No man in the Church is tess likely to forget that than the Converer of the Augmentation Committee，brethrea．But there are prospects
of improvement，and one may hope that the of improvement，and one may hope that the improvement shall touch，perhaps even begin
with，our long depressed finances．＂Bul doa＇t with，our long depressed manaces．Yesul doa＇ member how．Ticec and again it has been done by deducting a percentage from nus promised grants．Promised，but not paid，sounds badly io Mresbsterian ears，does it not？One hundred thou－ sand layiog the liability on the shoulders of one hoodsed and forty does noi seem fair．Lei any one of you look at the malter and I believ be will say：Hard times or no hard times， we must not let this bappen agaio，So
and make my appen，which is not mine after All，but the appeal of the Church itself．
With much misgiving and reluctance I entered n he work to which the Astembly callered n the wornuse it came to me a called me call of God，and always as I think of this call there comes to me also the messige to Joshua： A A I was with Moses so will I be with thee will not fail thee nor forrake thee，only be thou strong and ever courageous．
So trusting in God I have confidonce in the Church and people of God，that they will pro－ vide adequately，and I believe，even bearily，for the cariviog oa of the work．R．Campbell．
Renftew，Nov．6， 1896.
OPENING OF QDEEN＇S COLLEGE I＇HEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT．

A much larger audience than usual came to gether to the opening on the evening of the and inst．of the Theological Department of Queen＇
College．Principal Giant presided and with him College．Principal Giant presided and with him on the platormwere Rev．Prolessors Ross（Sec－ retary of the Theolozical Department），Mowat J．MacMorine，J．Mackie，and D．A．S．Con－ nery，lecturer in elocution for the Rev．Mr．Mackie，acting as chaplaio，onened
proceedings with prayer．Then Rev．Prol．Ros made the following announcements：（1）David Strachan Dow，\＄85，W．H．Ciam，B．A．，Carleton Place：（2）Dominion，\＄70，J．S．Shortt，B．A． Calgary：（3）Juchan No．I，$\$ 70$, Gaorge R．
Lowe，B．A．，Oltawa；（4）Buchanan No．2，$\$ 60$ ． Lowe，B．A．，Ottawa；（4）Buchanan No．2，$\$ 60$ ．
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$\$ 50$, Andsex Walker，Camden East：（G）Mc－ \＄50，Andited Walker，Camden East：（（）Mc．
Intyre，$\$ 20$ ．P．W．Currie，Sanal F．A．Mc－ Rae，Camb idge，and D．A．Volume，Kiogston， have passed the matriculation examinations．The
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hoor being Mr．Shorry，son of a Methodist min－ hodor being Mir．Shorry，son of a Methodist min－
ister well known in the Kingston district．The Principal called alteotion to the gratilying increase io the registered attendance of students．His comparative statement is as follows：Matricula． tion scholarships and theolegy－In arts．Novern ber 2，1895． 322 ；November 2．1896， 352 ；in
menicine，November 2，1895， 93 ；November 2, medicine，November $2,1895,93$ ；November 2,
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1895.6 November 2．1806， 11 ；in theology， 1895．6；November 2．1896， 11 ；in theology，
November $2,1895.28$ ；Norember 2， 1806 ， 28 ． November $2,1895.28$ ；November $2.1896,28$ ．
Thus there are requiered up to date 487 students， Thus there are regutered up to date 487 studeots， as against 449 al this fime last year，and this
without taking account of the aftiated colleges． It should be stated，moreover，that not all the students in attendance hare registered．Dr Grant weat on to say that the efforis of the ladies to equip the gymnasium at a cost of 83,000 would take the form of a series of entertainments cal－ minating in a kirmess next Mcy．Other steps 10 allaid this olject were mentioned．There would be oaly one more Suaday afiernoon address，to be gived on the Sth inst．by the Priocipal hivaself，a after that date a Sunday alternoon class wovid be held．Glover was called upon for his addiess．His Prof．Glover was called upon for his addiess．His
subject was，＂A Chapier in English Church subject Was，＂A Ahe Protessor was recently installed in he chair of Latin at the Univeraity，having been brought Irom Eagland to fill that chait．This perhaps accounts in some measare for his some－ what unusual subject，which proved to be voe of mach interest and to whicb it is well that
new country our attention should be called．

The Rev．Dr．Chinijpy，alter a prosperous journey across the Atlantic to Britain，received a cordial welcome from old friends．The Protestant Allizace，by kind permission of the chairman and commitiee．held a seceptina in the drawing． room of the National Club，for the purpose of
welcomiog the＂Grand Old Jtan＂of Yrotestant－ welcomiog the＂Grand Old Man＂of Yrotestant－ ism，andaffordiog an opportunity for many old
friegds to senew the acquainiance formed on friends to sedew the acquainance formed on
previous visits．The drawing－room was all too previous vists．The drawing－room was all 100 sentlemen who accepted the invitation of the geatlemen who accepted the invitation of ibe of the Alliance were present and letters of regret for absence read from others．After devoliona exercises and a short introduction by Mr．F．A． Dency，who occupied the cbair，Dr．Ctiniquy made a vigorous address after which a socia gatheriog wis held．

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## JBritisb and Joreign.

Princlpal Dnugins, Glasgow, again finds it necessary in consideration of the stare of bis health, to spend the winter abroad.

A lady clerk who recovered her wages in a London County Court sald she worked tourteen hours a day for Sourteen shllings a week.

There was a muster at Glasgow of Balaclava veterade, the remnants of the famous "Thin Red Line." The survivors number forty.

Rev. Professor Cbarterls, D.D.. conducted divine service on a recent Sunday at Balmoral, in the presence of the Queen and Ropal family.

The Liverpool Presbyterian Evangelistic Union, at its aulumn conference, dicsussed the question of lay preachers in relation to Presbyterianism.

The Free Church Sustentation Fund contributions for the past four months have amounted to $£ 49$, i 10, a decrease of $£ 313$ as compared with last vear.

The Rev. Dr. Watson before he refurns bome about Cbristmas has promised 10 preach in Plymouth Cburch, Brooklyn, and in the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City.

Arrangements are being made by the artous Presbyreries of the U.P. Caurch of Scotland inr mectiogs to celebrate he jubiJee of the Cuiaizh between May, 1897, and

Dr. Willism Smirt, incturer on Political Economy at Glasgovr University, his been appointed to the nen!o-establigtued Adam Smith Chair of Political Economg. in that universilg.

Lard Leamington, Governor of Queensland, presided over the annual meeting in connection with the Salvation Army social work in Brisbane, and was supported by the Home Secretary.

The Primrose League have decided to celebrated the Queen's sixty years' reign by raising a substantial sum 10 be handed over to the endomment of the Queen's Jubliee Fund for Nurses.

Dr. Thain Davidson and one or two others have taken exception to the pessimistic tone of the recent Synod Pestoral of the Presbysatian Church in England on the "Spiritual Life of the Church."

The Verg Rev. Dr. Smith, Catheart, has resigned the clerkship of the Synod of Glasgow and Agr after fortg.three gears' service. There are now only three alive who were members of the Synod at his election.

Professor Johnston, in a letter to Aberdeen Uaiversity Court, has expressed blgh gratification at the selection of Dr. Gloag to conduct the Biblical Criticism Class in Aber. deen Unlversi 9 for the ensulag session.

The Rev. John McNeill bas been invited by the Calcalta Pastors' Association to os in condutino missions smong of $1897^{-}$ 98 in condaln mission amon peans.
India.

Miss Fanay Crosby, the hyma writer, is now more iban seventy jears of age. Although she bas been bind aimost from her hirtb, she is always happy and cheertal. For thirig-two years she has been in the employ of 2 New York arm. Ste is the au'hor of "Sate in tbe arms of Jesus," "Rescue the Perishing," "Jesus, keep me near ibr Crors, "Come th the Saviour," ard "K゙ャrn Thou my way, O Lnid."

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Fron the Hampshire Indepemdent.
There is nothing more interesting than the talk of our lirase defendery, who have served their Queen and country in far-distant lands. To talk with an Indian offiecr, hearthose who have enjoged it always appreciate. Consegnently (writes a special reporter of the Hamphire Independent) I was delighted to receise instructions to interview Lientenant General Shaw, who has won his spurs in india, and is now living with his family, in honourable retirement, at St. Panl's Vicarage, bell-pull and given it one the when the door opened, and the general stood before me. You knew he was a soldier at once. Mis manly, upright bearing. his smile. his pleas. ant voice-all told you that you stood ini the


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presence of one of Natures gentemen: lut ales : he held a time-table, and I felt shat the interview must needs be short. However, he ashered ine in and at once put me at my ense by his aftable collversation.
"I amafraid," he said, "that you have come a long distance : hat let me know the recise
explained to the rieneral that 1 wass mose andions, with his consent. 10 ohtain some pere. had hearat one of his daubhters line experienced.
At that he brightened visilly: " Jou must know," he said. " l'm just a hit of an enthasiast on this point : but the tale is very short. As daughter cane home from India, and when I joined her in Iondon I foum her ill inlied. She had rheumatie and neuralgio pains; sthe was perfeetly bloolless, listices, dition. idoctar was secn, but she remained absolutely colourlens. was in ureat wreiched ness and suffering from annemia orghleodless ness. She liad a kinil of fever, acrious hend. ache, and other pains Well, I heard of itr Willixuns link lills for Pale l'cople. My daughter took some, and the first low hati a martellous cifcch. She regained her colour lost her pains, and became aliogether differ ent. She hall quite a glow upon lecr. She went on taking the pills, and 1 and glan io tel you that she recovercal completely I have recommenied Dr. Willinant pink fills to all with whom I came in contact and all
take them derive steat benefit therefrom.
 taken them for a very long time, and hias al. waye recommended them to other people, anil found them to do a great deal of good to al o whom she has recomucniled them: and myself, when I have heard of people lecing ill, fave taken them or sent then some of thes
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This is the centegary year of the death of Dr. Thomas Reid, the founder of the Scottish scbnol of philosophy, and Dr. George Campbell, eminent alike as a phi os.apher anc theologian, and in paricular by bis work on miracles, in answer to David Bume.

On a recent Saturday Mrs. Archibald Coats unveiled the stained-glass window Which had been placed in St. James's Church, Paislep, to tae memory of tac late ion, Dr. Henderson and R=v. J. Walton de. livered addresses.

Rev. James McKenzie, organizing secre ary of the Presbyterian Church in Eogland, Church Building and Debi Ex:iaction Fuad, reports that now exactly one half of the $\$ 250$, $\infty \infty$ aimed at has beev raised, and that out of this gravts have already been made to the mount of $\$ 82,500$.


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She-" Do you intend to go abroad on your wedding trip when you get married ?" He-"I do, if I marry the right girl."

There are now 109,000 locomotives on the parth. Europa has 63,000; Amprica, 40,000 ; Asia. 3,300; Australia, 2,000, and Africa, 700.

At Ambaston, in Derbyehire, there is a loaf of bread 600 years old. It was included in a grant of land from the crown in the reign of King John, and bas remained in tho Soar family ever since.
"May I kisa ynu, Mibs Jane?" "I am rorry to see, Mr. Brigge, that you, too, are afficted by the prevailing cause of husinpss depression." "And that is?" "Lack of confidence." Then he kissed ber.

Mamma-" How cruel, Elranor, to hurt the poor little worm." Eleanor"But be looked so lonesome, mamma, an' I jus' cut him in two so's be'd have company, an' the two of him wiggled off together jus' ever so happy!"

The cloth of the old Egyptians was so good that, although it has been used for thousands of years as wrappings of the mummies, the Arabs of to day can wear it. It is all of linen, the ancient Ezyptians considering wool unclean.

When Richard Harding Davis mit the viceroy, Li Hung Cbang, in St. Petersburg, be was anked how old and how rich he wap, and what he did. He replied, "I write books." "Why do you write?" said $\mathrm{Ii}_{\mathrm{i}}$; "are you not strong enough to work."

Flowery Fields-"S, after hearin' dat stump-spraker lan' night yer decided not ter voth fer McKinley, did yer ?" Weary Willy-" You bet I did! W's, ho said if MicKinley wuz elected dere wouldn't be a man in de United States out of a job."
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Mark Twain doea not like to be inter. viewed. His: opinion of the literary ability of the average intorviewer is not at all Gattoring either. In a talk with Rudyard Kipling, Mark Twain once said: "I think the poorest article I ever wrote and destroyed was better worth reading than any interview with me that over was publiehed. I would like just oneo to interview myself, so as to show the possibilities of the interview.

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because if unchecked it may lead directly to consumption. Catarrh is causid by impure blood. This fact is fully extablished. Therefore, it is uselebs to try to cure catarrh by outward applications or inhalants. The trues way to cure catarrh is to purify the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood puritier, curas catarrh by its power to drive out all impuritiey from the blood. Thousands of people testify that they have been perfictly and parmanently cured of catarrh by Hond's Sarsaparilla.

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The Prince of Wales is not averse to having a little fun over his august mother's propensity for giving away ludia ahavis. At the recent Hewiey regaita he had his attention drawn to an elderly lady who, the prince's friend said, bore a strik. ing resemblance to the queen, and might be Her Majesty incognito. Astho prince levelled his field-glass on her, she rose, and taking the shawl on which she had bren sitting, threw it around the shoulders of the young girl who was with her. "It is undoubtedly the queen," the prince replied, quirtly; " she: has betrayed herself. She has just presented one of ber India shawls."

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God has sympathy with anybody who is in any kind of toil. He knows how heavy is the load of bricks which the worknan carries up the ladider of the wall; He hears the pick of the miner down in the coal-shaft; He knows how strong the tempest strikes the sailor at the mast-head; He sees the factory girl among the spindles, and knows how her arms achic; He sees the scwing-woman in the fourth story, and knows how few pence she gets for making a garment ; and louder than all the din and roar of the city comes the voice of the sympathetic God: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and H. shall sustain thee."-Dr. Talnage.

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Sarnia：This Presbytery beld a pro re mata meeting at Watford on the 88 th ult．A call was laid on the table from Napier and Brooke to
Mr．T．A．Bell，probationer．The call was hearty and uoanimous，promising $\$ 600$ with rent． ed house and $\$ 100$ supplement from the Augmen－ ation Fund．Patties were heard in support of the motion，and it was agreed to sustain the call and to formard it to Mr．Bell，and in the event of acceptance，appoint a Presbytery mecting to be on trials，and if satisfery int．，to lake Mr．Bell antion and induction，the edict to be served in due timé．

Whitiv：This Presbytery held its regular quatterly meetiog at St．Andrew＇s Church．Pick－ eriog，on Tuesday，October 20th，Rev．J．B．Mc－ Laren，Moderanc．
ard G．B．MeLeor，and Mr．Renwick，elder， were appointed a committee to report at next regular meeting on the remits sent down by the Ceocral Aisembly．Mnisters and sessions were allowed to make arrangements deemed best for bringing the Home Mission wotk before their respective congregations．It was uazanimously ${ }^{2}$ greed tbat Presbytery receive and adopt the Assembly＇s＂Plan of Study，＂and express its gratification that such impontant action has been taken，and hereby commends said＂Play of
Siudy＂to our Young People＇s Societies．A cir－ Sudy＂to our Young Peaple＇s Societies．A cir． cular from the Prisoners Aid Association was read table．The Rev．John Chisholm was appointed table．The Rev．John Chisholm was appointed
agent on behalf ol Manitoba College．A con． ference on some practical subjects for the coming winter＇s work followed．The questions taken up were，first，＂How to Promote Religion in the Home＂；second，＂How to Increase the Spirit． uality of the Church．Mr．Eastman introdaced the one，and Mir．Mckeen the otber，in earnest and suggestive addresses．A profitable discussion ensued，in which many of the brethren took part． Subsequently it was moved and unanimously agreed that mioisters and sessions be urged to promote family worship throughout the congrega． ions，and to secure as largels as possible，the attendance of the children at public worship ；and that the Clerik send a copy of this resolution to each session，and request that action be taken upon it．The Rev．John McLean was appointed oaddress the annual meeting of the liesbyterial W．F．M．S．，to meet contemporancously with Pres hylery at Oshawa，19it January，1897．－J．Mc mizchan，Clerk．

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