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Beetry.

MY CHILD ! BY REV. JOHN PIERFONT.

I cannot make him dead. His fair sunshiny head Is ever bounding round my study chair Yet when my eyes, new dim With tears, I turn to him, The vision vanishes he is not there

I walk my parlor floor, And through the open door I hear a footfall on the chamber stair I'm stepping toward the hall To give my boy a call, And bethink me that—he is not there!

I know his face is hid Under the coffin lid; Closed are his eyes - cold is his forehead fair My hand that marble felt, O'er it in prayer I knelt, Yet my heart whispers that—he is not there

I cannot make him dead When passing by the bed So long watched over with parental care, My spirit and my eye Seek it inquiringly, Before the thought comes back—he is not there

When at the day's calm close Before we seek repose, I'm with his mother, offering up our prayer What'er I may be saying, I am in spirit praying For our boy's spirit, though—he is not there

The form I used to see, Was but the raiment that he used to wear. The grave that now doth press Upon the cast-off dress. Is but his wardrobe locked-he is not there

He lives! In all the past, He lives! nor to the last Of seeing him again will I despair In dreams I see him now, And on his angel brow I see it written—"Thou shalt see me there !

Father, thy chastening rod So help us, Thine afflicted ones, to bear, That in the spirit land, Meeting at Thy right hand Twill be our heaven to find—he is there!

Miscellanu.

MEMORABLE CONFERENCES IN

BY JOHN CARROLL.

THE FIRST CANADA, ANNUAL CONFERENCE,

years from the Conference last considered. Provision was made by the General Conference. either by a general or specific enactment, for the organization of this Conference out of the Canadian work, or to comprise all the Circuits existing and preachers laboring within the bounds of Upper Canada.

The work in Canada had greatly extended ference. Then there were only fourteen Circuits organized, now there were twenty-one; then the number of Circuit preachers was twenty-six, now it had increased to thirty-one. tions of the same word. We have something of In 1820 there were only 5,057 members on this in the English language, but far less than in the Gospel everywhere, and in a great many into a wealthy but wicked family." I contend, Upper Canadian ground; in 1824 there were some others; and yet we know with what diffi-6,072, making an increase of 1,015.

for a total independency of the General Conference of the M. E. Church of the United States. This had been greatly fomented by the Presiding Elder in charge of the District com. A man in middle life begins to be stereotyped in prising the eastern half of the Province. He all respects, and any change becomes much more had held a Convention of local preachers at difficult. As a general rule good singers most other with its narrow, dark, and filthy alleys, Elizabethtown, a month or so before the Con- readily acquire a spoken language, for reasons with mud houses without windows or floors, is ference. Resolutions were passed affirming the that are obvious from what has been already marked indeed. right of the Canada Methodists to manage stated. It is greatly desirable that the chiltheir own affairs; declaring themselves in- dren of missionaries should in turn become dependent of the American General Conference: and requesting the travelling preachers in the Province, who they thought only wanted a exhausting labor. Only a proper zeal for the decent pretext to disavow the jurisdiction of salvation of men, joined with much patience and the American General Conference, to take the faith, with the proper natural endowments, will

their own hands. mated by the brothers Ryerson, two of whom abroad as at home, is to keep up an aristocracy ened by science only, they see the absurdity of Spirit. They believed every animal to have may be said this arises from motives of propriewere now travelling on Circuits, and others and a peasantry, and the question of British conwho united with them in a meeting convened trol in India is largely founded on this fundaat the Fifty. Two American Bishops also mentally wrong policy. A leading motive for visited and travelled through the Province, holding India by force is, as I learn from Englishwhose intercourse with the people had a men themselves, to furnish positions for those tranquilizing effect. Bishop Heading entered who, by reason of an overcrowded population at the Province far to the west and travelled east- home, have no means of lucrative employment. ward; and Bishop George at the east, and An English nobleman has a large family. Upon travelled westward. They met at the Con- one son, from generation to generation, is enference. An interview between the Bishops and the Secretary of the Local Freacher's Conthe promise that no evert action would be taken means of support as their rank demands. A before the next General Conference.

than diminished his power for agitation. Saving this unpleasantness, this Conference was an interesting and important one. Its organization law the salaries of a large army of officers me, saving they felt at liberty, so far as any lates the done without exposure. I speak now pitiatory sacrifices with great solemnity. They dren. Disobedience to husbands and talkative-ness are legal causes of divorce in China. It aristocracy. The people of India are taxed to Mohammedans have made similar confessions to the more intelligent among them.

Its organization have made similar confessions to the more intelligent among them. Its organization have made similar confessions to the more intelligent among them. Its organization have made similar confessions to the more intelligent among them.

Green. A Missionary Society was organized,

of which the Rev. Thomas Whitehead was the B. Smith, Treasurer. Mr. Madden took the Colleges, etc., etc., in proportion. place of Mr. Ryan as P. E., and was appointed troubled waters.

at that time were Case, Madden, Smith, Whitehead, Brown, Culp, Jackson, Chambelayne and should have added a fourth, William Slater.

population, and as there were then such excit-ing topics before the Methodist public, a great having anything to spare from the products of see what was going on, and to attend the have to spare. religious services, which were very interesting. Three out of the six preachers received on trial are much better off with English control than were destined to labor long and faithfully. they would be without it, left to their own mis-These were Edward Stoney, Rowley Heyland erable bad misrule. And this is undoubt-

WORK IN INDIA.

BY BISHOP KINGSLEY

conception of the real nature of missionary work overbearing control exercised, under the notion in foreign fields. They know that the Lord has that a strong government is needed for a decommanded the Church to go into all the world graded people. But the strongest government as a father. and preach the gospel to every creature: but of is the one which lies deepest in the hearts of the the difficulties to be overcome in obeying this people, and more kindness will require fewer great command they know but very little. A bayonets, and, above all, will more favorably immissionary cannot send on an appointment as at press a heathen peope with the superior claims home, and expect when he gets to the place to of the Christian religion. to give him a candid hearing, and prepared by ropeans are directly in the way of Christian

whose pronunciation of sounds, and breathings, of former Europeans. This mixed race, be it himself and his children. and gutturals must be imitated with painful ef- remembered, has not sprung from the marriage V. But, is it a fact that the children of min- tended to be separate, nor link into one those forts, which will be pronounced failures until relation. This class of people, as a general rule, This was organized at an interval of four will be failures. The slightest variations, into little congenial feeling in one race or the other. nations, or inflections inappreciable by the unmeanings may be given by the different intona sists our missionary work in many ways. begun before the middle period of life. Hence for high position. the necessity of missionaries entering on their work when they are young. A good ear and what by others is obtained only by long and have contributed largely toward establishing

been nobly overcome by our missionaries.... Mr. Ryan and his party, however, were check- The design of the English Government, as well

from fifty to seventy five thousand dollars, and soon rise upon her! - Christian Advocate. President; Rev. Thomas Madden, Vice-Presi-Commissioners, Judges, Magistrates, Assessors, dent; Rev. John Ryerson, Secretary; Rev. I. Bishops, Members of Council, Professors in

A vast standing army, without which the counto the Niagara District, while Mr. Case went www would not remain a day subject to British vated by the natives is taxed, and the taxes by looking that you feel you are spoken to. most rigorously exacted; and I have been told 2. Because looking at him is a proper return, building numerous rail roads and other fine cation with him. It is simple justice.

and Joseph Mesmore; the last two still survive, edly rue. But this does not excuse this state more paternal, if the taxes were reduced four. land have been remiss in their duty. fold, and if the people were taught to have some II. It does not follow that children are pro- back into an ugliness inexpressible; and the

It is, perhaps, too much to expect that a secuimportant to a knowledge of written language, tian principles. We cannot predicate this of and blessings of society. are all important to him who speaks it. Differour own, nor of any other. But still it is neces-

With all its defects the natives see a vast superiority in European over their own civilization. great flexibility of the vocal organs are necessary. The contrast between the English and native pertions of their cities, the one with its wide, clean streets and comfortable dwellings, and the

The superior condition of our women as compared with theirs is beginning to attract the missionaries, for to them the foreign language attention of the more thoughtful among the nais their vernacular. They acquire without effort tives, and already some of the wealthy rajahs schools for female education.

The English schools established in India by give to Christianity a candid hearing.

had no faith in these mummeries, and felt the wind; but they never exalted their heroes or by their mothers-in-law, and despised by their vention and several of its adherents extorted at home. The other sons are without such heathen yoke that was upon them an intolerable prophets above the sphere of humanity. They husbands, that they committed suicide. At burden; deploring caste, and mourning over the adored an invisible great Master of Life in va- the present day, suicide or flight is often had rectorship in the Established Church, a position degraded condition of their women. They will rious forms, which they called Manitou, and recourse to, to end or flee from the ills of life. Mr. Ryan was displaced from his Presiding in the army, or civil service at home or abroad, do utter violence to their doctrine of caste when notions of vicarious atonement, and made pro- as to be used to frighten naughty female chil-Eldership, which, however, rather increased is sought for the younger members of the family. it can be done without exposure. I speak now

him, then going out into the work, who has amount of service. The Governor General religion is about worn out. One is, that after about gious thought, as well as of their mythology, since filled almost every office in the gift of the ceives a salary of one hundred and twenty fire thirty years more the Sacred Ganges will lose its they employed symbols extensively. These Conference with advantage to it and honor to thousand dollars in gold, and the Governors and virtue. The day is dawning on India. May the were also used in writing their songs, and in himself,—this was Anson, now the Rev. Dr. Lieutenant Governors of the Provinces severally Son of Righteousness, with healing in his beams, Their funeral and

LOOKING AT THE PREACHER.

Yes, look at him while he is preaching.

I. Because he is speaking to you. He speaks down to the Bay Quinte to pour oil on the control, swells the expenses of the government to all that are present. You do not drop your scaffolds out of the reach of wild beasts, under to enormous proportions. To provide for these head or avert your face when a friend or any which the relatives wept and wailed. Their The foremost men in Conference deliberations enormous expenditures every foot of land cultil man speaks to you in the street. Acknowledge arms, utensils, paints, and food were buried

Ryan, the ablest as a debator of them all.
Three younger men began now to make themselves felt; these were John Ryerson, Philander Smith and Franklin Metcalf, and, perhaps, we

We have omitted to say that this Conference sat at Hallowell, in the Prince Edward District.

As it was in the heart of a great Methodist of the people of India foot the bills for all these, as it is proper they should if they could reap the ness in the social circle should go with you into of warriors slain in battle cut off their hair

ing topics before the Methodist public, a great having anything to spare from the products of influx of members of the Church flocked in to the soil, or at least much less than they ought to anxious to instruct, or profit you in some way. It will gratify him to notice your fixed gaze. It lis said, in answer to all this, that the people will cheer him.—N. Y. Observer.

MINISTERS' CHILDREN.

I. Nothing ought to be presumed that seems and a cow! And if one ever expects, on this of things. The condition of India would be to contradict the Bible. Let God be true, even mixed-up planet, to behold a mis-match, let AN INSIDE VIEW OF AISSIONARY vastly better than it is if the Government was if it should follow that all the clergymen in the him see that first—the long-eared, dun-colored

personal interest and influence in the affairs of Of one of David's sons it is recorded, "His ly nose clear in advance of him; these two at But few persons at home have any adequate Government. As a rule, there is a haughty, father had not displeased him at any time in the ends of a yoke full ten feet long, slanting up saying, Why hast thou done so?" And it is like an inclined plane from the lowly to the well known that Eli was deficient in his duty lofty; unable to keep step, each, I am sure,

their mothers than their fathers.

IV. If it were true that ministers' children were so bad, it might be traced in some measure gained that which I am ever so glad to find-a to the unreasonable expectations some parishes new Scriptural illustration. It recalled the commust necessarily be much away from her little Gospel to our minds. Moses said, "Thou shal" ones in their early years, the minister's children not plough with an ox and an ass together.' education to understand and appreciate the efforts among the heathen. I believe in this ones in their early years, the minister's children not prought the property of the prought will stand but a poor chance of being well And Paul said, "Be not unequally yoked togospel message.

A new and difficult language, with idioms wholly over past years in the history of this country.

Will stand but a poor chance of being well trained. If God had intended what some expect there is a great improvement at present trained. If God had intended what some expect, he would never have caused it to be writtended. If gether with unbelievers." I understand this pect, he would never have caused it to be writtended. different from anything to which he is accustomed, The thousands of Eurasians, as they are called, ten in his word, "A bishop must be the husband and to have the same general sense. God must be mastered, requiring long and patient that is, men of mixed blood, half European and of one wife," Besides the number required for meant to teach his ancient people the power study. A native teacher must be employed, half Asiatic, tells its own story as to the morals the parish, one would have been allowed for and the use of keen, careful discrimination.

isters and other good people do frequently not which were intended to contrast. And the aim there is a strong temptation to fear that all efforts are most unfortunately situated, finding but turn out well? Not if there be truth in the of this was to instruct them in deciding beadage, "Figures do not lie." Take the first tween right and wrong, between holiness and hundred biographies in Dr. Sprague's great sin. Hence all such forms of prohibition, practiced ear, must be dwelt upon with all but lar government, in the present condition of the everlasting repetition. Such variations, while not world's progress, should be conformed to Christonia and world's progress, should be conformed to Christonia and the fold with mingled seed."

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And again: "Thou shalt proportion of the remainder became ornaments linen together."

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ences in sound that can hardly be detected at sary to take these facts into account in order to parts of the United States, it is found that out incongruity involved. The chosen people were first will give wholly opposite meanings, and on have an inside view of our missionary field as it of 5,548 children of ministers and deacons, over to guard against a listless and unthinking conthis account many vexatious and mortifying is. While the Government, in some of its work fifteen years of age, only 54, or less than one in fusion upon any point, lest the blurring of mistakes occur with beginners. Thus, years must ings, puts great hindrances in the way of the a hundred, could be said to have turned out moral distinctions should result. Things consince the Session of the Lundy's Lane Con- be spent in this patient, anxious toil, before one conversion of the heathen in India, and the badly. Rev. E. Smith, in his work, "Nine tradictory in nature should always be kept can feel confidence in addressing an audience in universal habit of using enormous quantities of a strange language. It is said that in some of alcoholic drinks in another instance; it, on the past nine years in which I have had a perfect the apart, lest by looseness in estimate one should print the neather in india, and the years among the Convicts," says, "For the apart, lest by looseness in estimate one should print the neather in india, and the past in which I have had a print the neather in india, and the past in which I have had been apart, lest by looseness in estimate one should print the neather in india, and the past in which I have had been apart, lest by looseness in estimate one should print the neather in india, and the past in which I have had been apart, lest by looseness in estimate one should print the neather in india, and the past in which I have had been apart, lest by looseness in estimate one should print the neather in india, and the past india, an the Eastern languages quite a number of different other hand, in the good providence of God, asmeanings may be given by the different intonations may be given by the different intonations of the following of th class-teacher, steward or church warden among Our missionaries have protection in preaching them, except one; and he was early adopted stances have the hearty co operation and sym-then, that when children of ministers and other culty foreigners acquire a perfect mastery of the pathy of English officials. This goes a great good people do not turn out well, the cases are withheld from the unmarried daughter. This This Conference was preceded by an agitation English. Indeed, it is never done except when way with the natives, who have great veneration taken notice of and spoken much about because right belongs to the father by the authority of they are so singular.

In the whale-fishery it is customary when a whale has been discovered for a harpoon to be countries, the family of the woman receives a cast at it. It frequently happens that after the sum of money proportioned to the wealth of the fish has been pierced, it dives into the deep, but two families. The marriage is thus made a generally it is at length secured. And some- business transaction. The woman is not the times after that godly fathers and pious mothers companion of the husband, but simply an obhave done their utmost, the favored child may ject of luxury or utility. She exists for the seemingly dive into depths of sin. But in many, I believe in most cases, he is at length secured for God and goodness.—Chicago Advance.

tenet of the Indian faith—a prominent tenet, it generally as if they were inferior creatures, may be observed, in all the more advanced Ori- and probably the Chinese might be found bethe Government, while they are wholly neutral ental nations of antiquity. They believed in lievers in the doctrine of important modificamanagement of the work in this country into overcome these difficulties. But they have all in religion as between Christianity and idolatry, the existence of two Great Spirits as forming tions of the brain substance constituting a spec do nevertheless in some sense prepare the way the perfect Godhead. One eminently great was cific difference. She is not entitled to receive for Christianity; for as soon as they are enlight. the Good Spirit, and the inferior was an Evil any civilities from her husband's friends. It their former idolatry, and are so far prepared to had a great original, or father. The first buffalo, ty and long usage; but how did this usage the first bear, the first beaver, the first eagle, originate? If she had been the equal of the et cetera, was the manitu, or guardian spirit, of husband, the custom never would have obtain-It is easy to see that both Hindoo idolatry the whole race of these different creatures, ed, and it would then have been quite proper and Mohammedanism are losing their hold on the They chose some of these originals as their to receive acts of courtesy. After marriage minds of those who still show them an outward special mansion or guardian, and hence arose she owes unqualified submission to her husband deference. I have talked with intelligent Hin- the custom of having its representation as the who is her chief and master, and also to her does with the red paint on their foreheads, indi- totem of the tribe. Whatever they held to be mother-in-law, so long as the latter lives. cating that they had faithfully attended to their superior to themselves they deified, such as the When small feet had become the national cusreligious rights, who nevertheless told me they sun, moon, stars, meteors, fire, water, thunder, tom, those with large feet were so persecuted interesting and important one. Its organization led to the employment and development of Provincial talent, which otherwise would have temained dormant. Mr. Case was elected to the employment and development of the salaries of a large army of officers aristocracy. The people of india are taxed to pay the salaries of a large army of officers me, saying they felt at liberty, so far as any family as an act of Divine mercy. They were conscientious scruples were concerned, to violate the requirements of that religion. Besides all this, there seems to be a sort of foreboding in priestcraft they did cruel and horrible things.

Secretary. He chose a young man to assist would be paid by the United States for the same regard to many particulars that their ancient re- In their pictographic records of moral and reli

Their funeral and burial ceremonies indicated their belief in the immortality of the soul. These ceremonies were of similar type everywhere. They laid their dead, wrapped in skins, upon sticks in the bottom of a shallow pit, or placed them in a sitting posture, or occasionally folded them in skins and laid them upon high with them, to be used on their long journey to the spirit land, for they had an idea that they possessed a two-fold nature of matter and spirit. In some regions they lighted a symbolic funeral pyre for several nights upon the grave that the soul might perceive and enjoy the respect paid to the body. Everywhere they raised mounds flowers; and among the Floridians, the widows and strewed it over the graves of their beloved ones. - Harper's Magazine for May.

THE CAMEL AND THE COW.

Once we saw, yoked together in a furrow, driving an old-fashioned beam-point into the tough earth to tear up the shallow soil, a camel cow, short in the legs, and lengthened along the ashamed of the other, and each quite ill-temper-III. Children are much more likely to follow ed to be out in the sun working at all. Without exception, this was the most ludicrous and least antic team I ever saw. But from it we They must not confound things which were innot sow thy field with mingled seed." The

CHINESE WOMEN.

In regard to marriage, the right of choice is. custom. The future husband and wife have no voice in the contract. Here, as in most Asiatic convenience of man, when she ought to be the chief ornament and foundation of society. In fact, it would seem she scarcely partakes of the same nature with man. Her small feet, were RELIGIOUS BELIEF OF THE IND IANS. they natural, would make her a different species-they being the differentia. They are The duality of God was the most ancient treated by their husbands and the male sex

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THE "RECORDER

Will be issued daily till the close of Conference, and will contain ample reports of all the proceedings. Price 50 cents. Orders to be addressed to S. ROSE,

NOTICE!

The Treasurers of the various Connexional Funds are requested to meet the Financial Secretaries at the Mission Rooms at 2 o'clock Stationing Committee to guard the interests of to-day, (Tuesday).

Our limited space will not allow us to pubhish in to-day's issue outlines of all the sermons preached last Sabbath. Several will have to stand over till to-morrow.

INVITATIONS.

The business of Conference is usually recorded in the Minutes in the form of question and answer: and it would seem as if a new question would soon have to be added to the besides these, "the Bishop residing in the State, list, viz.: "What ministers are invited to all presiding Elders, Presidents, and Professors Circuits for the ensuing year!" The practice of "inviting" is rapidly extending among us, and it would be well if the whole question. with the consequences which it involves, were carefully pondered both by ministers and people. In England the practice is so univer- up to the government of the nation, must have engage its admiration. To read of the rise, es- after his conversion and baptism, he entered if you find it is generally popular, no matsal that, we understand, it is no unusual thing its convention, and an indefinite amount of tablishment, extension, and final overthrow of upon his work. for a popular preacher to be invited two or even talking must be done before work commences. the greatest empires of the earth, apart from the The surprise with which Saul's conversion was three years in advance.

is open to grave objections, and, if continued, sults. During the present year the Methodists is likely to prove an element of weakness, if have been "falling into line," as the above exthe claims of both ministers and Circuits, as same time a great deal of Christian earnest-By this arrangement Circuits waive all right moral and religious questions of the day. to choose a preacher, and the preachers waive Other latitudes besides Pennsylvania might be all right to choose a Circuit, and both agree to benefited by a good Methodist "Convention." abide by the decision of a Committee appointed for the very purpose. But if the practice of "inviting" is to be encouraged, then this tacit but 110 of these are without regular pastors, understanding is at once abandoned; for if and during the past year 7 have been definitely Circuits have the right to choose their ministers. ministers have an equal right to choose their kind

Let us suppose a case, (though, like the account without churches. of Dives and Lazarus, there are reasons for regarding it more as a history than a parable) At a certain Quarterly Meeting, the question of a supply for next year comes up, and Bros. A. B. and C. are nominated. Then the merits -and demerits too-of each candidate are canvassed. Bro. A.'s friends are anxious that he should be chosen, and accordingly they proceed to "show cause" why B. and C. should not be elected. If these brethren have a weak the Foreranner, "Behold the Lamb of God which created against them which may cling to them all through life. We have known more than divinity and vicarious sufferings for all men, all of one case in which the reputation of most esti-whom are sinners, justified the assertion of his being the "Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the mable brethren has been seriously injured by the "La world."

temptation in the way of the ministers themselves-temptation to negotiate with one another for a change of Circuits. Ministers are but men, and it is hardly to be expected that any of them would choose the worst class of Circuits; and if appointments are to go by invitation, why should they not seek invitations to good Circuits rather than to poor ones? The result of all this is easily foreseen.

Still further, the practice of inviting may prove the thin end of a wedge to split up the itinerant system altogether, for if the right to invite for three years be conceded, the time may not be far distant when the right to invite for a longer period will be demanded.

Still, there are two sides to every question, and there are reasons sometimes urged on behalf of invitations that are worthy of consideration., It is said that important Circuits who do not invite, but trust to the judgment of the Stationing Committee, sometimes find them-

is a firm maintenance, by the Stationing Committee, of the principle that the interests of the work are to be considered before the interests

There is another circumstance, bearing upon this question of invitations, which is not without weight. It is said, and not without truth, that although no invitation may be given by a Circuit, yet considerable influence is often exerted for or against an appointment by individuals. Now, if any outside influence is to be exerted in the matter of appointments at all, it is doubtless better that it should emanate from the mature judgment of a Quarterly Board, than from the preferences or caprice of

Then, as regards the men there is, after all, an element of justice in an arrangement which encourages invitations, for it is argued that the men who, by faithful devotion to their work render themselves worthy of the Church's confidence, will always be in demand, and thus an incentive to earnestness and fidelity will be supplied. Altogether the question is one which legislation cannot very well settle; and if the practice is to continue, it will rest with the the work on the one hand, and the just rights of the preachers on the other.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

"PENNSYLVANIA METHODIST STATE CONVENthe Philadelphia, Central Pennsylvania, and Wyoming Conferences has decided in favor of holding a State Convention at Williamsport, to commence on Tuesday, September 6, and to continue three days. It is to be composed of two delegates from each pastoral charge, and in colleges and seminaries under our control, and Agents of benevolent societies, shall be exofficio members of the Convention .- N. C. Ad-

Of late years Conventions for religious pur- renowned individuals with whose immediate his- received by all parties, may be easily imagined. gregation. Don't mind the execution of discipline, It is believed by not a few that the practice poses have been frequent, and with good renot of discord, in our Connexional machinery. tract indicates. Well, the idea is not a bad In the first place, it is believed that it does not one. It may be true that at these Conventions much that is worthy of his attentive regard in a Apostle, "that I was not disobedient unto the accord with that tacit understanding by which a good deal of "gas" is expended, but at the regards appointments, are vested in the hands ness is generated, and the power of the church of a third party—the Stationing Committee. brought to bear more directly upon the great

> "In Maine, the Baptists have 263 churches, discontinued, while of the 165 ordained ministers, 35 are not engaged in clerical work of any

Let our Baptist brethern adopt the Itinerant Then again, the practice of inviting often plan, and soon they will have no cause to cominflicts serious injury on individual ministers. plain of churches] without pastors, or pastors

THE CHURCHES ON SUNDAY.

ELM STREET

The service in the forenoon was conducted by the Rev. James Preston, Chairman of the Brantford District. The preliminary services, hymns, prayer, and lessons, were all preparatory to the subject, point it is magnified; if there is any rumour taketh away the sin of the world." After showing affoat to their disadvantage it is seized upon how the Baptist answered in "spirit and power" to and made the most of, and thus a prejudice is the description of the "Elias that was to come." the preacher gave a running exposition of the text, showing how that Christ, by meekness, spotlessness He closed with an earnest exhortation to meeting.

Meeting.

Multiple of the practice is one which puts

World.

The closed with an earnest exportation to "behold" him, not forgetting to forewarn his hearers that "every eye should see him, and they also who have pierced him," and that all his rejecters "should wail because of him." The subject was well argued and fully supported by scripture. The preacher's manner was earnest but somewhat restrained. We hope the influence of the sermon was salutory, as it was eminently evangelical and scriptural.

ADELAIDE STREET.

The sermon on Sabbath morning, May 29th, was preached by Rev. Mr. Griffin, Chairman of the Guelph District. The text selected was 2 Cor. xii. chapter and 10th verse: "For when I am weak, then am I strong." In the introduction the parodoxical character of the text was alluded to, the true exposition being-when I realize my own weakness then by the mnipotence of faith I can do all things.

I. The fact or doctrine of the text is contrary to universal opinion or sentiment. It is true men must the great apostle to the Gentiles. and do cherish exalted ideas of their own superiority in order to success. Man stands at the head of all power: none are stronger. If the existance of God be denied, as taught through revelation, then the tongue of the infidel cannot utter the text. The in- exploits by which he obtained his celebrity; fidel feels that what he accomplishes he performs as and 3rd, as a necessary condition of an enviable the result of inherent power. Practical unbelief ignores God and leaves one to depend upon his own resources. Man's natural constitution prompts him to this, while he feels it almost impossible to confess

not without foundation; and the only remedy they are strong and despise the thought of weakness. All who have not the grace of God have no sympathy with the apostle's declaration in the text. There is of science that appears to set saide the text. A man who can do what he pleases with the world scorns the idea of admitting that he is weak.

II. The truthfulness of the apostle's declaration.

We need a just appreciation of our weakness. This will be obtained by a clear vision of God, for in the light of such manifestations we discover our own light of such manifestations we discover our own feebleness, and such a sense of weakness is an essential element of strength. This weakness is but another name for humility. There is much in history to prove that when God's people were weak then they were strong. Was John Bunyan weak in his prison home? Too weak to break the bars of his prison, to home? Too weak to break the bars of his prison, to reach the ear of justice, or the heart of pity; yet in such days and years of weakness he developed true strength to liberate captive thousands and send a thousand rills of consolation through our suffering world? Is persecution a sign of weakness? then Paul was weak, yet in his weakness he accomplished great and mighty works. Is crucifixion a sign of weakness? then Jesus was weak when he suffered at the bands then Jesus was weak when he suffered at the hands wide field before him for the exercise of his of his enemies, yet in the hour of his most apparent gigantic mental powers.

weakness he lifted the whole world up to God, when But a great change wa But a great change was about to take place in so weak that he could not save himself he saved others. Is death weakness? This may be the extreme of human weakness; this may be the ex-treme of human weakness; but there is no condition into which the believer may be brought but he may be above circumstances. When you are weak then you may wield a power before which the world gives

[Since the foregoing was put in type, a full report of Bro. G's sermon has come to hand. It will appear to-morrow. - EDTTOR RECORDER.]

RICHMOND STREET.

SERMON BY THE REV. J. H. JOHNSON, M.A. OF

"But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will show him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake."-Acts ix. 15, 16.

Few things, my brethren, are better calculated to interest the mind, or excite the attenthose who have rendered themselves famous for in the civil and social conditions of society, and the indelible traces of their extraordinary career portion of the world. The mind seems to dwell "I am Jesus, whom thou persecutest." tory such events are intimately connected, could afford but little satisfaction to a mind duly quawhich seeks an appropriate theme for its exercise. Man may see much to admire in nature, general survey of the revolutions of state, and may look with surprise upon the successive changes which the political condition of countries has undergone; but it is only while reflect ing upon the celebrated characters with wnose mmediate history such events are intimately connected, that he is struck with admiration and awe. One of the most interesting studies of mankind, is man himself.

Ancient philosophy taught that the souls of reat men, and of all those who distinguished of superior bliss amongst the constellations of the heavens, or to a seat amongst the immortal over the affairs of mankind. Temples and altars were in many instances erected to their memories, and they were worshipped as deities.

But apart from the prospect of divine honors, there is something in the breast of man which caused him to aspire after glory. There is an inward sensation of pleasure in the acquisition of an honorable distinction. An inherent prosper-And when we view the actions of men in this which was founded on the glorious announcement of light; look at the emotions which have produced them; and ascertain the principles which have actuated them in the performance of their deeds,-then, and not till then, shall we be enabled to form a correct estimate of the praise to which they are entitled. What military warrior. those that decked the brow of Wilberforce, who effected the emancipation of thousands of his race from the excoriating chains of slavery? radically wrong. Truth only is immutable, and Apostle was found in one word-Christ. eventually receive their appropriate deserts.

As the contemplation of great men has ever been attended with interest, and the whole history of their lives may be both entertaining and instructive, I have selected to bring before you on this occasion, my brethren, for your profit, as well as admiration, one who stands unrivalled in the historian's page, as the honored instrument of a revolution in the social and religious conditions from having yet ceased, are still increasing in magnitude and importance, and will not cease throughout eternity. Such an example of unparalleled heroism I present to you in St. Paul,

In the career of every great man there are three things deserving of shecial attention: which was prior to the commencement of his public distinction; 2ad, the circumstances and reputation, the motives by which he was actuated. By observing this order in the life of Paul. we shall have a connected view of all that is worthy of our admiration in it.

men. He was of the Pharisaic sect, and, like the rest of his brethren, prided himself upon a strict adherence to all the outward rites and much in the achievement of genius, in the discoveries ceremonies of the Jewish Church. The Jews were proverbially tenacious of their religious opinions. The proudest of their sects were the Pharisees, amongst whom even Saul of Tarsus shone conspicuously for his bigotry and exclusiveness. He was instructed from his childhood in their peculiar tenets, and educated with great attachment to the national faith. In a literary point of view he was not a whit behind the most illustrious of his centemporaries. The disciple of Gamaliel, one of the most celebrated doctors of his day, Saul was deeply versed in language, had acquired a vast fund of informa tion, and had the art of reasoning in the highest d gree of perfection. To the attainment of considerable influence his religious zeal very largely contributed. Touching the righteous ness which is by the law, he was indeed blame

this man's character and conduct, and in the pursuits of his life. After the ascension of Christ. his apostles, in compliance with his parting in junction, entered upon the great work of preaching the doctrine of salvation by his cross. As this doctrine implicated those who had put to death Jesus of Nazareth, who, they affirmed, was a mere pretender to the Messiahship, and con-tradicted the notions which the Hebrew divines entertained concerning the Son of God, its propagators incurred the displeasure of the Jews, and there were soon arrayed against them the most formidable efforts of enraged power. Amongst the most furious of the persecutors was Saul of Tarsus. Having received authority for a general arrest, he proceeded to seize upon both men and women, so far as possible, com-pelling them to blaspheme the name of Christ. When that holy man Stephen suffered martyrdom, Saul was present, consenting to his death and so inveterate was he against the Christians, that his very breath is represented as having been "threatenings and slaughter" against the followers of Jesus. "I punished them oft," himself said, "in every synagogue, and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them tion, than the contemplation of distinguished even to strange cities." It was while acting characters. History abounds in examples of under the authority of this bloody commission, on his way to Damascus, in the company of the most of people to follow you, as they don't others like minded, that a light above the come to church to learn anything. While you the number and brilliancy of their exploits, the brightness of the sun, shone around the whole avoid going deep, you may be as dark as you like immense important changes they have effected company so suddenly and unexpectedly that they were all prostrated to the earth; when lo! a voice in the Hebrew tongue cries out, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?" He inquires, "Who which which are to be seen throughout a large art thou, Lerd?" to which the voice responds, The Our American Cousins are great on Con- with pleasurable emotions upon a subject having awful truth now flashes upon Saul's mind that he mental terms you can find, they will be your very ventions. Every interest, from women's rights so direct a tendency to enlist its affections and notification of his mission to the Gentiles; and rupting innovation or laxity in public worship,

> The disciples at first distrusted him, and Ananias thought that Godshimself must be mistaken in the man, when he sent him with a message to lified for the appreciation of true greatness, and Saul. But Saul's former companions in iniquity were not long in determining what course to pursue towards one who had so recently turned eavenly vision; but showed first unto them at Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judea, and then to the Gentiles. that they should repent and turn to God, and do works mest for repentance, therefore the Jews caught me in the temple and went about to kill The conversion of this man was a signal defeat to the enemies of Christianity, and the occasion of triumph to the Christian Church. the Holy Land, was henceforth to embrace the whole Gentile world.

> > Let us inquire what obstacles in pursuance of

this mission, the Apostle had to encounter. hemselves by doing something remarkable for These were twofold, moral and physical. Under the benefit of mankind, were elevated to a region | the former were classed : 1st, the civil authority, vested in heathen officials; 2ndly, pagan priests, naturally invested in maintaining systems which Paul laboured to overthrow; 3rdly, a host of pasgods themselves. They were supposed to be in- sions and prejudices existing in the minds of the erested in the state of the world, and to preside people, arising from a variety of causes, and join the Masons? which the new religion was calculated at once to arouse and inflame, taking the form of the most to digest for the present; when you are in want bitter persecutions; and, 4thly, the enmity and active opposition of the various schools of philosophers, who were jealous of the claims of Christianity, and of the readiness with which many of the people embraced it. Under the head of physical difficulties were mentioned labours and persecutions, with a particular reference to Paul's own summary, given in 2 Cor. xi. ity exists in the breast of a truly great man, to addition to all these things, the Apostle was sub-23 28: "In labours more abundant," &c. accomplish something for the benefit of his race. ject to all the infirmities incident to human nature. The pride of his heart required to be subdued; the thorn in his his anxiety for his brethren and kinsmen caused him much sorrow of heart.

Next were considered the motives by which he was actuated in entering upon so arduous a work, and persisting in it to the end. The usual for example, ever won laurels so unfading as motives which influence worldly heroes, were referred to such as wealth, honor, and power, and it was shown that these could not have been secured by Paul in the course he adopted, but on the contrary were abandoned by him, while Nothing can permanently flourish, or be durably their very opposites in a worldly sense, were inadvantageous, which is founded on any principle evitably his portion. The true motive of the the unchangeable principles of equity must for my name's sake." "The love of Christ constraineth me." "I count not my life dear unto me, so that I may win Christ, and be found in him." "For me to live is Christ." "I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live," &c.

In conclusion several facts were established

1. That in Saul's conversion, we have an unanswerable argument in support of the truth of Christianity. Considering his great natural and acquired abilities, his religious education, his manifest conscientiousness and zeal while in that of his race, the consequences of which so far celebrated journy to Dsmascus, the presence of others equally sincere, at midday, the light 'above the brightness of the sun," the miraculous power, the audible voice of the "Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto him in the way," the great change which took place in the man, and his persistence till old age, -we have an array of facts, establishing the divinity of our religion.

2. The wisdom of God in selecting such a man for such a work. The disciples would surely never have thought of taking the foremost man in the enemy's ranks, and placing him in such a position. But God did this, and the right man was found in the right place.

Cardinal Antonian has replied to the volume with the court of Rome, exhibits annoyance at "the spectacle of Rome, exhibits anno 3. Learn the superiority of a crown of glory

over an earthly crown, and the advantage of godliness.

Correspondence.

HOW TO BECOME A FASHIONABLE PREACHER.

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In all your circuits pay special court to the wealthy and influential-never mind the poor, they cannot do much towards filling your pockets or ad vancing your popularity. In your pastoral visits you need not bore the people too much with religion Prattle with the young ladies and joke with the young men, and be sure to fall in with all their whims and projects, whether conducive to piety or not. Don't press any one too much relative to his personal religious state-it isn't liked. Prayer in less. And considering all the circumstances of families is not often convenient. Banter the young his position, it may be assumed that he had a folks about getting married, and in a delicate way families is not often convenient. Banter the young pledge them to get you to do the job. The more work of that kind you get the better-for two reasons: 1st, there is the marriage fee; and 2nd, the popularity it will give you. The more you marry, especially if you go a good way to do it just under the nose of the proper pastor of the parties, the more consequence it will give you in the eyes of the people generally. When you get a large fee. tell of it in company, it will enhance their estimate of your importance, and others will think they must give you as much when their turn comes Get the parties to pay for its publication in a paper, that will spread your fame all the wider. Never reprove any one of respectability, it hurts their feelings and will hurt your popularity -- unless, indeed, it is some poor falling person whom everyone is down upon; in which case, get up a character for plain dealing upon him. Follow the same rule with regard to public preaching, don't come out on evils that prevail in your own congregation, but be especially bold against errors and vices a long way off. A sermon on the errors of Romanism among a certain class of fighting Pro-testants might, by chance, get you an address and a presentation. Be careful not to put too much theological matter into your sermons, it will fatigue the most of people to follow you, as they don't Many will think you are a "great larned man." In a general way, skim on the surface, it will be easier for both you and your hearers. The matter is mostly in words, whether there are any ideas corresponding with them or not. Therefore, pick up all the high sounding ones and all the sentiter though it may outrage the feelings and sadder the hearts of some of the most devout in your conploded prohibitions of our "General Rules" relative to the "wearing of gold and costly apparel" (although it is contained in the Bible) "and the singing those songs and reading those books which do not tend to the knowledge and love of God." To act on the latter might spoil the "penny readings." Keep your class-neglecting, worldly-mind-ed stewards in your highest courts of discipline if they are liberal contributors. As there are some men of decided talents who do much good and receive great applause by popular lecturing, it might add to your fame (never mind the good) by getting up a few lectures with high sounding titles, whether there is anything more than "words of learned length and thundering sound" in your lectures when delivered or not. Play "fast and loose" with And the field of labour, heretofore confined to half-a-dozen circuits just before Conference time, it will bring you into notice as a very popular preacher who is in great demand. Keep yourself as young as you can, for if you don't your game is all up. Don't talk about anything which happened twenty-five or thirty years ago-the people will say "that old fellow ought to be superannuated." If you can't conceal grey hairs any other way, dye your hair and whiskers. Look around and see if you could not "bring grist to your mill" by uniting with some secret society. Hadn't you better

The above is as much advice as you will be able of any further counsel apply to yours, faithfully,

Ontario, May, 1870

GODERICH DISTRICH.

To the Editor of the "Recorder." The annual meeting of this District took place in the town of Goderich, on Tuesday, the 17th May. Every member of the District was present. The business moved along admirably under the judicious flesh, whatever that was, gave him, if not supervision of our respected Chairman, Rev. Charles distress of body, certainly anguish of mind, and Lavell. The investigation of moral character, &c., was satisfactory except in one case. The returns of the Circuits and Missions were of a gratifying character. The District will return an increase of members. There is a demand for extension in our work. Several new churches have been erected and others enlarged during the year. Clinton asks to become a station this year, the country work to be constituted a Circuit with two men. proposition to create a new Mission in Colborne and Ashfield. There is another proposal to form a new District. This is highly desirable for the more efficient management and supervision of the work.

One pleasing feature of our second day's session was the large number of intelligent laymen present. Men of real mental force, solid judgment and business tact. We valued their suggestions and honour their counsels. Another special feature of our meeting, was the blessed unction that attended the spiritual exercises, and the unanimity which characterized the deliberations of the brethren.

T. CLEWORTH, Secretary.

The opponents of the infallibility in the Council were to hold a conference in Rome, preparatory to the opening of the debate on the 10th

The Pope sends his Lenten golden rose, this year, to the Empress of Austria, as having manifested the most religious zeal. Last year it went to the famous Isabella, whom Spain spued out for her vices.

The Congregationalist says that on a late Sabbath some 40 of the cadets at the Annapolis Naval Academy, who had been deficient in their lessons, were marched off to the recitation room and compelled to study two hours under the eye of an officer.

Cardinal Antonelli has replied to the vote of the Austria leading the opposition among the powers."

And matters are looking the same way even in Spain.

In reply to the anxious inquiries of certain Deputies In reply to the anxious inquiries of certain Depu selves unfairly dealt with, and receive a very weakness when conscious of strength. Hence the cated with all those national predilections and severe persecutions as Paul was compelled to salaries to those Bishops who refuse to take the oath to the new Constitution

A case of suttee (self-immolation of a widow) oc-ourred lately at Jounpore. The relatives of the deceased, who encouraged her to commit the horrid rite, have been sentenced to seven years' imprison-ment. Some queer people would call this an unwar-ranted interference by the British authorities with the conscientious convictions of the widow and her

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PUBLIC RECEPTION OF MR. SEN.

Baboo Keshub Chunder Sen, the leader of the theistic reformers, who has come to see the working of Protestant Christianity, has had a public reception from representatives of all parties, including Dean Stanley of the Established Church, and even Dr. Marks, the Jewish Rabbi. Mr. Sen in his address laid stress on sin and the need of Divine grace, gave high honor to the Bible and to Christ, and said India must study Christianity for itself, as of Oriental origin, and not take it second-hand in Western forms and dogmas.

By direction of the U. S. Marshal the military have just arrested several men supposed to be Fenian officers, and confined them in the skating rink.

Among those arrested are Dr. Donnelly and Mr. Mannax, Head Centres at this place.

The railway companies offer to carry the Fenians home at half-fares in hog cars. It would cost three or four thousand dollars to ship them home. It is expected that if the leaders, who are now under arrest, do not raise the money, the town will contribute the arrest, do not raise the money.

INSTRUMENTS OF BELIGIOUS DISCIPLINE.

A Roman Catholic establishment in London supples instruments of "religious discipline" to the aithful who wish to mortify the flesh. One is called "iron discipline," and is a whip or "cat" with several tails made of wire links, each tail ending in a weight to give momentum, and each link of the tail being armed with two sharp spikes to pierce the flesh. Another is a "bracelet" or band for any part of the body, lined with spikes on the inside! This in the back free, but this has been refused. The county has applied to Gov. Hoffman to pay the expenses and

PROTESTS AGAINST THE REPEAL PROGRAMME.

Advices from Rome received in London represent that the successive diplomatic protests made against the Papal programme have powerfully strengthened the number and effectiveness of the opposition. These have doubtless stiffened the backbones of sundry of the American Bishops. The Council on the 5th voted on the schema, relative to the small Cateohism. A tenth of the Fathers, among them German and Hungarian Bishops, voted in the negative. It is said, on the authority of a Brussels despatch, that Archbishop Kenrick, of St. Louis, Mo., has gone to Naples to finish a protest against Papal Infallibility, and that Bishop Dupanloup of Orleans, and Archbishop Spalding of Baltimore, the head of the hierarchy in this country are having a contraverse. archy in this country, are having a controversy on the same matter.

The Protestant movement in Spain seems to be growing. In Madrid, Valladolid, Cordova, Seville, Oadiz, Carthagena and Barcelona, there are now regularly constituted services in Protestant form. It is said, however, that there is an absence of concentrated effort and unity of purpose amongst the various religious societies. There is an English society, a Scotch society, an American society, and a society composed of Swiss, French, and Germans, the latter of which of Swiss, French, and Germans, the latter of which has its headquarters at Geneva, but there is as yet no organized system of co-operation among them. At Seville, there is a very flourishing school. The Republicans in Spain have a deeply formed idea that Protestantism is connected with liberty, and they support it from political motives. At Valencia, a Bible-depot was lately opened and at once a party of the ultra Catholics commenced to smash the windows, but the Mayor placed policemen on the spot to protect the depot and its inhabitants. No sooner did the Republican committee hear that the shop had been attacked, than they formed a kind of guard of honor amongst themselves for the defence of their "correligionarios," for so they call Bible Society men and Protestants generally. Protestants generally.

THE PRESBYTERIAN MISSION AT DA-MASCUS.

The Presbyterian Church of Ireland and the United Presbyterians of America have a missionary work together in Syria, with Damascus for its chief seat. They have a beautiful church edifice in Damas-S2,000, and are building two thers in villages on Mount Hermon. The book is likely a man of learning, whom no Mohanmedan can loca down upon. There are two hundred and fifty professed Protestants connected with them, with thirty-two communicants. Rev. Mr. Wright, the Irish missionary, now visiting in Ireland, gives the population of Damascus at one hundred and fifty thousand, two-thirds of them Mohammedans. He estimates the Arabic tongue as spoken by two hundred millions, from the centre of Africa to the Chineese wall. He says that "Damasous is the centre and capital of Arabdom." Christianize it, and you reach the whole. There is only one American missionary now in that field, Rev. John Orawford; but an earnest effort is about to be made cus, with four school-houses, a book-store, all costing Orawford; but an earnest effort is about to be made to send others into so hopeful and important a field



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LATEST FROM THE FRONT

MALONE, Sunday, May 29, noon. United States Marshal Quimby, of Rochester, and District Attorney Dorskeimer, of Buffalo, arrived this morning. By direction of the U.S. Marshal the military have just arrested several men supposed to be Fenian officers, and confined them in the skating

arrest, do not raise the money, the town will contribute the amount. It is probable that they will be shipped home to-morrow.

MALONE, Saturday, May 28, 10 p. m. Major-Generals Meade and McDowell, with their staffs, arrived about seven o'clock p. m. to-day. The whole number of United States troops here new is about 350, and the Fenians have a wholesome fear of

back free, but this has been refused. The county has applied to Gov. Hoffman to pay the expenses, and he replied that if the county paid the expenses that most likely the State would refund the money. It is thus evident that the Army of Liberation is not a transcript of the expenses are half. very dangerous one at present; the wretches are half-starved, and are depending on charity for their meals. People go round with waggons to get bread con-tributed for them, and they sleep in the first loft the comes to hand. It is really becoming a serious question with the people here how to get rid of them; as, should the starving forces go on much longer, they will prove very inconvenient visitors. they will prove very inconvenient visitors.

Father McMahon, of Fort Eric notoriety, arrived here to-day, and, I am informed, that he is actually urging the men to make another raid. Other priests are also here, who are not using any efforts to induce

Major-General Meade has not yet decided what course he will take; he is getting the facts laid before

About forty Fenians have arrived from Potsdam to-night, being a portion of the 130 who arrived to-day. It is reported that 400 or 500 Fenians are on their way here, and will leave Rome to-morrow morn-ing in a special train for this place. It is thought, however, that as they have been informed of the gloomy aspect of affairs, that they will wisely return

ternoon, and seized about 100 stand of arms and some ammunition, which is now stored here and guarded. It is reported that 17 cases of ammunition were seized to-day about two miles from the line near Trout river by Deputy-Collector McMaster. A seizure of several kegs of powder was made at Mannax's to-day. This man is among the arrested.

Father McMahon addressed 200 or 300 Fenians in the Fenian camp, this afternoon, upon their religious duties, and was rather non-committal on the subject of the Fenian movement.

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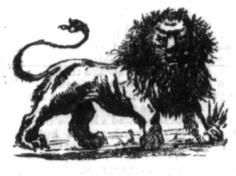


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Tom was a homely boy. His nose was very large and his face was covered with freckles. So were his hands. His hair was thick and long, and was as red as it was thick and long. He had grown to be slow, awkward and lazy. He had a vacant look like a fool. Nobody had ever felt drawn toward him, because there did not seem to be anything in him that would draw. He was about the salvation of her class as was the mother of Timothy. She prays for them and every week goes to their homes and talks to them about the interest of the soul; several have already become seriously concerned, some are rejoicing in hope. What a responsible office is that of teaching the Scriptures to the young!

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One Sunday the minister was to exchange pulpits with the pastor of a church in an adjoining frown. Tom hitched the horse to the sulky, and his master rode away, charging him to be on the watch for the other preacher. It was not long before the watching was rewarded, and the strange minister drove up, Tom seizing the bridle-the President of the Conference.

ADELAIDE STREET CHURCH. when he had replied, followed the horse to the barn. But the animal was already safely in the stable, and Tom was sitting on a box near the manger, staring vacantly at the floor.

The minister loved souls, and believed that every living human body contained a soul. He felt it to be his duty to say something to the soul before him.

"What is your name, my boy?" "Tom, sir."

"Well, Thomas, I have always noticed that boys with a deal of red hair, a great nose, and a large number of freckles, always get along well in the world, it they try to be good."

No answer from Tom, and the minister went

to the meeting-house.

That night the good man's horse got an extra half peck of oats. The next morning the minis-ter went home, and a change was noticed in Tom. He did not spill anything that day, neither did he break anything. He kept out of everybody's way, and a strange fire burned in the eyes that had been dull so long. He was faithful at his work for a few weeks, and then he felt the minister's kitchen and stable were too small to hold

That minister said "that boys with a deal of red hair, a great nose, and a large number of freckles, always get on well in the world, if they try to be good," was the plank to which Tom lashed himself, just before he plunged into what appeared a great sea to him-the city. He had many desires, but the most ardent one of them all was, that he might be good. God loved him and led him to a place where the gospel was preached in its simplicity, and ere long Tom laid hold by faith, of the goodness of Jesus. Years have gone since all this occurred, and Tom still lives and tells his own story. He is one of the most loved and honored citizens of Springfield, Massa-chusetts. He is the firm friend of the poor, and believes in being liberal with kind words as

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LITTLE SERMON FOR CHILDREN.

From a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures.-2 Tim. iii. 15.

The mother of Timothy was a Jewess, and had become a believer in Christ. The Jews were directed by the Lord teach children "in the house and by the way side." Who can teach so lovingly as a mother? It is hoped they will not relax their efforts, because Sabbath-schools have come into so general use.

What verses had she taught him? Probably some of these : "I love them that love me, and they that seek me early shall find me;" "Thou God seest me;" "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;" "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy ;" "Honor thy father

and thy mother." What is the benefit ? The Scriptures are profitable for instruction, for reproof, and they make wise unto salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

What do my little readers know about the Scriptures? Do you believe what they say? that we are all sinners by nature and have need of a Sayiour? They say also that we must be born by the Rev. S. J. Hunter, Rev. J. Philp, and others. What do my little readers know about the Scriptures? Do you believe what they say? that Saviour? They say also that we must be born again, must have a new heart, a heart that loves

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Can I give my heart to Jesus? Yes, if you Ministers and others are coedially invited to come

feel your need of a Saviour, as did that man who and work and worship with us. prayed, "God be merciful to to me a sinner."

our prayer will be heard and our sins pardoned.
God is pleased when we come with a broken
heart and contrite spirit, and he will answer as.
Some children know nothing about the Scriptures as Timothy did; their parents never teach

He went by the name of Tom, and could not remember that he had ever had any other name. He lived in the county poor house, and had no the Sabbath and do wickedly, and no one shows them the criminality and danger of a wicked life.
We ought to be thankful for pious parents and
Sabbath School teachers, who help us to understand the Scriptures, and persuade us to keep
away from bad boys that would lead us into sin-

Let us, then, study the Scriptures in child-hood, so that, like Timothy, we may exercise faith in Jesus and die the death of the righteous. One of the teachers in our Sabbath school is as anxious about the salvation of her class as was

gentleman to his friend who was walking with him in his garden, and stumbled into a pit full of water. "No matter," said the friend, blowing the mud and water out of his mouth, "I have found it."

Connexional Motices.

PLAN OF THE PUBLIC RELIGIOUS SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE WESLEYAN METHO-DIST CONFERENCE. Toronto, 1870

Conference Prayer Meeting .- Adelaide Street Church, Wednesday, June 1st, at Twelve o'clock. Conference Sacramental Service.—Elm Street Oburc

Wednesday, June 1st, at half-past Seven, P. M. Reception of Delegates from other Conferences.—Richmond Street Church, Thursday, June 2, at half-past

Addresses to the Congregation by Rev. J. W. Lindsay, D.D., and others.

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