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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The *Advance* says: "Conservative men are often termed the bulwarks of society. True enough, but in the way against saloons we have too many such bulwarks. A bale of cotton or a bag of sand may do for a bulwark, but when you want a soldier you must have a man with brain, and heart, and courage, and action."

A woman in Gonzales, Texas, whose husband was a confirmed sot, in a fit of despondency and rage heated a branding iron and stamped the initials of the saloon-keeper, with whom he was in the habit of spending his money, across the forehead of the inebriate while he lay in a drunken stupor.

The London *Methodist* has this note for preachers: "To appear before those who might learn, and to spend the time in the utterances of truths which, however important and however ornately expressed, are not so presented as to bear directly upon conscience and life, may suffice for the pastime of an hour, but utterly falls short of the dignity and worth of the teaching office."

It is certainly a very curious moral standard which makes the *Catholic Telegraph*, of Cincinnati, sensitive to Archbishop Purcell's finances and at the same time induces it to suggest that the "honor of the church" can be saved by a grand lottery which will yield profit enough to pay off the Archbishop's creditors. This will strike most people as robbing Peter to pay Paul with a vengeance.—*Christian Union*.

Public servants are as much entitled to charitable construction of their acts and utterances as private persons. Partisanship ignores this obligation. So it happens that there is no great name canonized in American history that was not befouled by slander while living. Some of our leading political newspapers have recently set a better example in this matter. Give honor and patronage to all such.—*Nashville Ad.*

A Kentucky paper says: "We were walking along the street the other day when we noticed a heavy set, black-haired man. We soon discovered him to be Bishop Kavanaugh, of the Methodist Church, who is eighty years of age, and in active service as a Bishop. Taking him by the arm, we expressed our surprise that his hair should be so black. 'Yes,' said he, 'I tell my brethren that I have been so green that I cannot get ripe.'"

Henry Ward Beecher, noting, because of Thurlow Weed's burial, the sweep of time and death, which has carried away a generation since he had entered Brooklyn, said that whoever went, the world in reality lost nothing. "I have," he declared, "that idea of the grandeur of the universal movement of life that it don't seem to me if I were to die to-morrow it would be any more than the blowing out of a candle in the great desert of Sahara."

Springfield, Mass., has taken a stride forward in dealing with its petty offenders against the law. They have engaged a "Probation officer" who is in the court room each morning, and as cases are called asks the judge to suspend sentence and let him deal with this criminal or that, whom he recognizes as a new or possibly repentant offender whom he may help. The prisoner is discharged and left to his intelligent care. This new departure is justified by its results.

"Fifty years ago," said Dr. Starks, of the Methodist Church, in his semi-centennial discourse, "I never saw a written sermon in our Church. Now our preachers generally go into the pulpit with sermons written, or with full notes." It was noted that the moderators of the Northern and Southern Assemblies delivered their sermons without the shadow of a note, and at a public gathering held lately in one of our cities, at which a number of Presbyterian ministers and others spoke, the only persons who read their speeches were a lawyer and a Methodist preacher.

From the *Christian Mirror*, a periodical issued by our Church at Las Vegas, N. M., we learn that there are six Protestant Churches in that city, namely, Methodist Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Protestant Episcopal. Altogether they have barely 200 members. This fact is so very much as if there were no separate representatives of Protestant Christianity than are needed in such a place. An average membership of sixteen does not seem very ponderous.—*N. Y. Ad.*

Baron Willy von Rothschild, of Frankfort, is a staunch adherent to the religion of his fathers than some other members of this fortune-showing family. He recently started on a trip to Switzerland, and not only took with him his ritual cook and butcher, but ten other co-religionists. This was done in order that he might never be incapable of holding Israelitic worship; since that number of worshippers is necessary in a congregation, if it fulfill the Mosaic law.—*N. Y. Independent*.

There is something hopeful in the strong revulsion which English common sense causes against the dress, the manner, and the appearance of the Ritualistic "priest." In this respect hatred of Protestantism overshoots its mark. A priest cannot have much influence when the sight of him and the knowledge of his doings create disgust. The clergy in any Church who go in the direction indicated should study history and the state of Churches in order to see for themselves, how impolitic is the course which they have adopted.—*Methodist*.

The Plymouth (Mass.) bell-ringing case has been decided at last. The plaintiffs had for many years owned and occupied houses near a large woolen mill, on which, some time ago, a large bell was placed. This bell was rung several times every day to summon and dismiss the operatives. The plaintiffs claimed that it was a nuisance, and injured their property and destroyed their comfort. After a long trial the Court has decided that the plaintiffs are fully entitled to an injunction against the ringing of the bell.—*N. Y. Ad.*

Bishop Wilson conducted the business of the Holston Conference like a recent patented tack hammer, which picks up the little nail by a magnet in the hammer and drives it in the right place without bruising a finger or breaking a tack. He looked like he was predestinated to do that thing and do it well. The preachers were amazed that so much work could be done with so little noise. He injected no speeches, related no exploits of his own, gave no personal history, but kept the burrs going and hopper full of grit.

Ten years ago the Rev. D. Miller, of the Scotch Presbyterian Church, finding that from seven to eight thousand English-speaking sailors annually visited Genoa, Italy, and that it was almost impossible to get any of these to leave their ships and attend a place of worship on shore, resolved to put forth an effort to bring them under the power of the Gospel. He accordingly purchased an old hulk and had it fitted out as a floating chapel. The experiment was from the first a success, and another and larger vessel has been built, and the mission is in a very flourishing condition.

We repeat it, the people will educate; and if we, as a Church, do not afford our young men the opportunity of an education under the conserving and sanctifying influences of religion, as we preach it and love it; if we do not throw Methodist restraints and helps about them in the critical period of their education, away from home, then we take the responsibility of giving them over to other institutions, where they will, to say the least of it, have none of the influences of our Church about them. And this we can't afford to allow.—*Southern Ch. Ad.*

Not often is there a more pitiable case in our police courts than that of the ex-president of the Hudson River Railroad, formerly one of the most extensive speculators in Wall Street, who was yesterday at the Tombs accused of drunkenness in the streets. Daniel Drew lost his fortune as many a millionaire speculator before and since has done. John Tobin, who fished in the same troubled waters with Mr. Drew, and at times was his bitter rival, has lost not only his fortune but his friends and his good name as well. It was indeed an easy descent to the depths for him.—*N. Y. Tribune*.

It is disheartening to read that that unmitigated scoundrel, James, is being made the recipient of popular attentions in Missouri. If it is true, as reported, that wives of judges and other popular personages crowd his receptions and present him with flowers, the more is the pity. James is nothing but a common highwayman, who adds to his accomplishments as a thief a record of violence and murder which gives him a pre-eminence in crime. When such a man becomes in any sense a popular hero, the community which assists in his elevation stamps itself as having reached only a semi-barbarous stage of civilization; it is only among savages that cut-throats are canonized.—*Christian Union*.

A NATIVE PREACHER.

BY THE REV. E. W. PARKER.

One of the oldest and most useful native preachers of the Indian Mission has just fallen—the Rev. Prem Daas. He was formerly a "guree"—a wandering priest among the Chuma, in the district of Moradabad. Another priest of the same class had, in his wanderings, heard preaching in another Mission before ours was established, and believing that the news of a *Living Incarnation* would be joyfully received by all his brother "fakirs," he went to one of their public gatherings and told them all that he had heard. The result was a severe beating, and a threat of expulsion from their fellowship if he persisted in teaching these new notions. One young man, however, gave him comfort on this trip, and seemed to accept the new doctrine. This was Prem Daas. When our Mission was opened in Moradabad, and a school established, he was one of Brother Judd's first students. Andreas, the fakir, who was beaten, had been baptized in another Mission, and about this time, came to Moradabad to work among his old disciples: and Prem Daas was the first fruit of his efforts. He was baptized in 1862.

After receiving Christ himself, his great desire was to "make disciples" for Jesus as he had formerly done for Nauak. His way not seeming to open in connection with the Mission to work as he desired, he left and went to his former home, which was in a village forty miles away. All supposed that he had gone back to his old ways, but he was soon heard of as a Christian fakir "making disciples" to the new religion. He was afterward employed as a regular Mission helper and licensed to exhort. Any one reading a report of the India Mission will notice the frequent references to the Chumars in Rohilkund. The work among this class has been started and pushed forward by these two fakirs, Andreas and Prem Daas. They have visited hundreds of villages, and explained the truth to thousands of people.

These two men it should be understood, always referred to Christ as the "Living Incarnation," in contrast with all others preached in India who are dead. The fact that one had risen from the dead, and is still living, led to the conversion of Andreas, and hence Christ is usually spoken of by him as the "Living Incarnation." The whole heart and life of Prem Daas were in Christ Jesus, and his faith never wavered. When discouragements and disappointments came he would say, "Yes, the work is hard, the opposition is great, there is but little fruit; but the time is near when these, my people, will come in such numbers, that our trouble will be to teach them the way perfectly. Our work will soon be reaping and gathering in." In his last days on earth his mind wandered, but in all his delirium he talked of his work—"I must go to this village and preach;" "To-day is my time for that village;" "I must be at the Ganges fair to preach to the thousands there." At the funeral services all were mourners.

In this brief account of this good man those interested in our work will note the kind of men our native preachers are, and also how our work opens and spreads. God calls two religious leaders of a very large class of people; they work among their own class; little churches are raised up; other preachers and teachers are called into the same work, so that from village to village and from country to country the work spreads. Thus, when our brother received his transfer he left a full score of helpers in his class working among their people, all directly or indirectly, the fruit of the labors of these two first converted fakirs. Our work moves in classes, but all become one in Christ.—*N. Y. Advocate*.

WHAT CAN REPLACE THE GOSPEL?

There are a multitude of men bent on destroying Christianity. They wish to demolish the whole system, and everything connected with it.

Well, suppose they succeed? "Suppose," says Dr. E. Greenwald, "the Bible burned, the churches, the pulpits silenced, all Christian schools of instruction stopped, all Christian institutions of whatever kind overthrown, all Christian doctrines, Christian piety, Christian duty, Christian worship, Christian influence, Christian life in public and private, in the Church and in the family, by individuals and communities, to be wholly a thing of the past, and no trace of them permitted to remain anywhere in all the land. This would be the result if they should succeed in their insane crusade against Christianity. What would we choose instead? What systems now prevailing anywhere in the wide world would we adopt in place of discarded Christianity? Where would we look for a better system than that which we would so wholly renounce? We have cut down this tree; where do we find another that bears better fruit? Let us look around and see what systems prevail in the world, and under whose control large numbers of the people are now living. Which would be selected in place of Christianity?"

Let the skeptic ponder this question. Let him look at heathenism, at Mohammedanism, at the dying superstitions of the Eastern world, and let him ask himself the question, would I embrace any of these exploded absurdities? Let him look at atheism, a leafless, sapless tree, and inquire what a world would be without Creator, ruler, or law; and then let him hesitate before he seeks to undermine a faith which has brought more joy, peace, and brightness into this world than all the other religions that man has ever invented or embraced.—*Christian Union*.

PERE HYACINTHE.

Pere Hyacinthe, in Paris, is struggling with a lost cause. He lately announced an anniversary meeting in Paris, at which Bishop Jenner was to preside. The meeting was largely announced through the journals, but this brought no crowds. It is clear that the ruling spirit in Paris wants no half-way Catholicism; the French either ignore or deride the ex-Carmelite monk. The little band of the faithful that cling to his fortunes in the Rue d'Arras are only sustained by rich gifts from the English, who still cling to this desperate cause. At this meeting a deficit in the annual expenses was reported, without much hope of getting it made up. Loysen made a brilliant speech on the significance of Gallicanism, and spurned the suspicion that he is ogling with Protestantism. But all this will do him no good; for as things now lie his countrymen want to know nothing of Gallican Catholicism—they remain true to the Church or they cross the Rubicon—they become Protestants or they become nothing in particular under the name of free-thinkers. The English, by the way, are throwing a great deal of good money away on all these movements on the continent tending towards a modified Catholicism that will eventually slide over into the English Church. But notwithstanding all their ogling with Dollinger, Hyacinthe, and Campello, they make no progress toward absorbing such elements.—*Western Ad.*

TEMPERANCE.

One of the grandest and most soul-stirring scenes ever witnessed in the fine old cathedral of Winchester took place on Sunday evening, the 5th inst., the occasion being the delivery of an address by the Rev. Canon Basil Wilberforce, in connexion with a Blue Ribbon Mission which had been carried on in that city during the previous week. At 7.30, on the opening of the doors, there could not have been less than a thousand persons waiting admission, notwithstanding the tempestuous weather, and within fifteen minutes of that time two thousand persons had availed themselves of seats, or taken up positions of advantage along the nave and aisles of the vast edifice. At the commencement of the service at 8 o'clock, the congregation has been estimated at 2,500 to 3,000. On Friday, the 3rd, a meeting was held by the kind permission of Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar in the chapel school at the barracks. The Rev. H. E. Leigh, who presided, and addresses were given by Rev. J. Firmstone, M.A., and Mr. T. W. Glover; 60 signed the pledge. In the evening the Guildhall was packed half an hour before the time for commencement. The Rev. Archdeacon Jacob presided, and Canon Wilberforce was the speaker of the evening. His burning words and the enthusiasm of the meeting will not soon be forgotten. As the result of the series of meetings held during the mission the total number of pledges taken was 1091.

MORE PIETY.

The great need of the present day in all our churches is a deeper work of grace than that now experienced. There is a degree of knowledge and an amount of intelligence sufficient to give great power to Christian effort if these excellent characteristics were supplemented with more genuine piety. The quality which attracts the

unconverted is not knowledge nor intellect—it is piety. The sinning world has a reverence for goodness. The worst men know they ought to be good. Sin may blind and stupefy; but the soul cannot forget that there is something better than sin. These facts form the ground of hope for the salvation of the most desperate cases. But a worldly church has no power to convince the skeptic, nor awaken the slumbering, nor startle the careless. A church that is really pious, a church whose members are indeed living epistles known and read of all men, will win many souls to God. Wealth, culture, social position, respectability, are not to be despised, but they do not save men any more than starlight can produce the luxuriant beauty of the tropic and the ripening harvest of the wheat fields. The power of piety is as real as the power of the life-giving sun of summer. Piety enlightens the minds filled with the darkness of sin; it warms the soul benumbed with worldliness; it calls away from the allurements of pleasure hearts long subject to the vanities of earth. There need not be many words, nor long exhortations, to win men to the blessed experiences of religion; the sure influence which always flows out of a pious life will wonderfully persuade even the most hopeless and hardened. We cannot all be great nor wise nor rich, but we can be pious, we can be thoroughly good, we can love God with all our hearts and our neighbors as ourselves.—*N. E. Methodist*.

LIVING EPISTLES.

"I have read a great many books on the evidences of Christianity, and am most of the arguments in them I can answer satisfactorily to my own mind. But the change I have seen in the life of my little daughter in a year or two past I can not explain. There is evidence of some power working in her which I cannot understand." This was, in substance, the expression of a father concerning his daughter of fourteen or fifteen years of age, who had recently made a confession of her faith in Christ. The father was not a Christian, and was, indeed, inclined to what is erroneously termed "free thought." A man of more than average mental ability, he could meet arguments addressed to the intellect, but he did not know how to resist the power of a child's life of faith. May that child's life lead him to the Saviour! But let us all ask ourselves, what are men reading in our lives? We are "living epistles" whether we will or no. The important question is, what are men reading in us? Is it of the power of Christ working in us?—*Christian Weekly*.

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HOLINESS AN EXPERIENCE.

There perhaps has been too much inclination to discuss and demonstrate the doctrine rather than to attain and enjoy the blissful experience of full salvation. There is much importance in good sound scriptural doctrine. But there is far more in a genuine experience of true holiness. Observe we do not undervalue the doctrine, but we must urge the pre-eminent necessity and importance of the experience. People may be orthodox in doctrine and defective in experience. But those who enjoy the experience are usually sound in their doctrinal views of the question. It may sometimes happen that men's experience is corrected by their doctrine. But it is more generally the fact that their doctrine is improved by their experience. Of the latter we have known many, very many instances. Hence it has been our custom to urge persons to seek the experience.

That a correct view of the doctrine is helpful in seeking the experience cannot be denied. Moreover it is also well known that erroneous views of the doctrine have been to many a great hindrance. Therefore we have done what we could to give prominence to the doctrine as we have understood it. Yet we have always urged our friends to be more concerned about the experience. When the heart is right, the head will not go far astray. It is but seldom that heresy is fostered by religious warmth and ardor. False doctrine is far more likely to come in as the fruit of cold speculative thought than the enthusiasm of early piety. We admit there are exceptions to these statements, but they make nothing against the general fact. This is the reason we say so much in reference to the experience. Whoever has a pure heart is apt to have a sound Scriptural theology.—*Christian Standard*.

MISSION WORK.

The key to the hearts of the women of India seems placed in the hands of the women of Christian lands. Dr. Christlieb, quoting the enormously high death-rate among the women and children of India, points out the need of a female medical mission in the centre of every populated district of the country. Dr. Valentine says: "I believe the female medical missionary will relieve an amount of human suffering that lies beyond the reach of any medical man, and bring to the knowledge of the truth those shut out from any other form of mission agency." Dr. Duff said: "No ordinary missionary finds access to women of the better classes. If a female missionary knew something of medical science and practice, readily would she be admitted, and thus find precious opportunities of applying also the balm of spiritual healing to the worse diseases of the soul.—*Our Mission Field*."

Luther used to say there were many of the Psalms he could never understand until he was afflicted. Rutherford declares he got a new Bible through the furnace. Even the heathen Bion said: "It's a great misfortune not to endure misfortunes" and Anaxagoras, when his home was in ruins and his estate wasted, afterward remarked: "If they had not perished, I should have perished." So will one, in spite of himself, be blind; "I could never see till I was blind." Trials bring many to God. J. A. would not come to Abrahams, but the Abrahams set his commandments.

OUR HOME CIRCLE.

TRUST. Let nothing make thee sad or fretful, O thou sweetest friend...

ITS ALL THE LITTLE BOOK.

Something more than a year ago, as the writer was sitting in a railway carriage, a pleasant voice sung out: "Paper, sir; paper, sir; morning paper, lady?"

There was nothing new in the words, nothing new to see a small boy with a package of papers under his arm, but the voice, so low and musical—its clear, pure tones, mellow as a flute, tender as only love and sorrow could make—called up hallowed memories.

"What is your name, my boy?" I asked, as half blind with tears I reached out my hand for a paper. "Johnny" was the last name I did not catch.

"Oh yes; I've been to school a little," said Johnny, glancing out of the window, to see if there was need of haste.

I had a little brother once, whose name was Johnny. He had the same brown hair and tender loving eyes; and perhaps it was on this account I felt very much disposed to throw my arms around Johnny's neck, and to kiss him on his thin cheek.

There was a moment—we were off. I strained my eyes out of the window after Johnny, but I did not see him; and shutting them I dreamed what there was in store for him—not forgetting His love and care for the desolate, tender-voiced boy.

Would that all the Johnnys who sell papers, and fathers that drink, and mothers that weep over the ruins of once happy homes, took to their wretched dwellings the little book that tells of Jesus and His love!

TORPEDO WARFARE.

The weapons used for underwater warfare are called "torpedoes." There are two kinds of torpedoes: those that are anchored in one place and those that swim about in the water.

There are two ways of firing these ground torpedoes: In one there is a wire, carefully protected from the water, leading from the torpedo to the shore.

The swimming torpedoes are of two kinds. One of these swims like a fish, and, if it strikes its nose against the ship, explodes and sinks the vessel by tearing a terrible hole in the bottom.

A month since, I made the same journey and passed over the same railroad. Halting for a moment's respite at one of the many places on the way, what was my surprise to see the same boy, taller, healthier, with the same calm eyes and pure voice!

"I've thought of you, lady," he said; "I wanted to tell you it's all the little book."

"What's all the little book, Johnny?" "The little book has done it all. I carried it home and father read it. He was out of work then and mother cried over it.

the old painters encircled the head of our Lord. At first it was confined to him, but afterward all inspired men, and even canonized saints, were pictured with the zone of light around the head.

FREED.

Thank God! a spirit in prison Has burst its bars to-day, A winged soul arisen From its chrysalis of clay.

A GREEK WEDDING IN LONDON.

Last week I was present at an interesting ceremony in the beautiful Greek church at Bayswater, which in itself is a study of Byzantine architecture and elaborate decoration.

THE HORSESHOE A CHRISTIAN SYMBOL.

Many of our readers have seen a horseshoe nailed over the door of some superstitious person, confessedly "to keep the witches out."

bride by the hand, in a sort of procession round the centre table of the church, followed by the bridesmaids and the assistant matron, and by two young men of the party, each holding a large wax candle, about six feet high, lighted, and wreathed with white flowers and satin ribbon.

In such classic society as this we scarcely expected ordinary food, but I found that good roast beef agreed admirably with preserved rose leaves and delicious honey from Mount Hymettus, where the bees of to-day still extract luscious fragrance from luxuriant and perfumed flowers.

HEREDITARY TRAITS.

Those who are fond of tracing the influences of the intellect and character of parents upon their children may find some corroboration of their theories in the case of Rowland Hill.

which, when he had entered on an enterprise, he carried it through to the end, he inherited from his mother. From her he also inherited a certain stiffness and coldness of manner which did not tell in his favor.

DANGEROUS.

Dr. Lafferty, with whom our readers are becoming familiar, sends these strictures after Methodist seceders: "A keen observer of people and events once asked if we had ever noticed how often it turned out that proselytes from Methodism went to the bad, fraying out in character and fortune."

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OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

LITTLE CHILDREN, SCOLD ONE ANOTHER. Two little girls, one rainy day, Who had been pleasantly at play, With happy hearts and faces bright, Began at length to scold and fight.

RETURN GOOD FOR EVIL.

"I'll pay him back, see if I don't!" exclaimed Tommy as he came running into the house with a flushed and angry face.

THE SABBATH DAY.

A farmer's boy was once seen to listen with great attention to an address. At the close of the next week his fellow-servants saw him cleaning the boots on Saturday evening.

"I hope you will pay him in a good way," said his mother. Tommy hung his head and said nothing; for he was ashamed to tell just how mean he was going to treat Walter.

A BIT OF LOGIC.

Rufus lay at full length on the sofa, and puffed a cigar, back parlor though it was; when Mr. Parker reminded him of it, he said there were no ladies present, and puffed away. Between the puffs he talked:

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"Where did you two grow so wise? Where did you get all those absurd items?" "We got them at the Mission Band; Kate is Secretary, and I'm Treasurer, and these figures were all in the dialogue that Dr. Stephens wrote for us to recite."

"You needn't tell him anything about it," said Rufus, sharply. After the girls ran away he added thoughtfully:

"How fast girls grow up. I thought these two were children, and here they are with the Mission Bands, and their large words about 'Secretaries and Treasurers.'"

"And their embarrassing facts about money," interrupted Mr. Parker. "Those girls have the best of the argument, Rufus;" and then he, too, laughed.—The Pansy.

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THE S... AFTER I... 1.—This I... three appear... disciples; al... the day that... That there... and some of... ones, we lea... but especial... money in wa... (I Cor. x. 2... appearance o... have a full S... Magdalen... xx. 11-17)... house sp... the Church... noted in... ance was to... man a Mary... There is ag... might have... different w... writers. B... Mary Mag... necessarily... Mrs" was... in all th... figure; an... does not m... that St. J... that they d... as St. J... open to... —1) Mary... turned in... the first... having re... purpose of... and they st... ties that t... the body o... John ran... said the... statement... receiving... went away... of the tru... minds. (3... ing alone... sepulchre... she saw th... who asked... still reply... attracted... turned ro... the presen... who asked... the angels... ment after... mistakes... loss she w... ceived His... away, and... cation to t... Jesus had... Him; and... agree in i... believe he... felt about... the angels... or two;... themselves... the case o... may have... soon after... party and... by one s... another."... heavenly... often visi... "the mor... and all t... joy."

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL. DECEMBER 17.

MARK XVI. 9-20. AFTER HIS RESURRECTION.

1.—This Evangelist mentions only three appearances of Jesus to His disciples; all of which took place on the day that He rose from the dead. That there were other appearances, and some of them very important ones, we learn from various passages...

2.—To the two who were going into the country.—These are evidently the same two of whom St. Luke tells us, who were going to Emmaus (Luke xxiv. 13-35). This incident was fully considered in last year's lessons.

3.—To the eleven (Luke xxiv. 36-49; John xv. 19-23). St. Mark tells us that on this occasion He upbraided them for their unbelief in not accepting the testimony of those who had seen Him.

4.—Ver. 15, 16.—Here we have what has been most appropriately called "the great commission." Richard Watson truly says, in the sermon which he preached at the formation of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, "Every minister is by virtue of this commission to him, this charter to the human race, made a minister of man—a minister of the whole world."

not in the sense of being an essential part of the condition, but as the outward expression and sign of the faith professed. In St. Matthew's record the command to baptize is included in the commission (Matt. xxviii. 17). This shows the rite to be of universal obligation as an expression of discipleship.

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The Philadelphia Ledger says: "The 'red-head match' fire which caused the destruction of a traveler's valise at New Bedford, Mass., the other day, is not a singular case, by any means, of damage done by the sudden 'going off' of matches of that description. Quite recently the fireman of a seaside hotel found his trousers burning up by the 'going off' of a lot of matches in his pocket—the trousers having been hung up in a hot sleeping room over the kitchen. In this instance the fire spread to the combustibles in the room and threatened for a while to involve the hotel itself. It is dangerous under any circumstances to have or keep that kind of matches about the house, or the person, or anywhere except in a match safe."

USEFUL HINTS.

- The custom of removing the glove before shaking hands is no longer obligatory. Oil paintings, hung over the mantel-piece, are liable to wrinkle with the heat? Somebody else will if I don't. This is one of the devil's pet proverbs. It does not follow that you are humble because you are always talking against pride. The publishers of this paper manage the business, and the editor controls all matter that goes into the paper. Letters should be addressed accordingly. The Philadelphia Bulletin has come to the conclusion "that one makes more enemies in society distributing wedding cards than any other way." The licensed dram seller is really the agent of the people. He simply performs what our votes authorize him to do. Those who do not oppose the whole license system are abettors of this crime of crimes, though often unconsciously so. Bureau-covers are now made in crash, a design of leaves and flowers being generally worked in linen flax. They can be washed, and on this account have much to recommend them. The work is usually solid, and they are finished off by an insertion of drawn work and fringe. The United States census reports an elaborate chemical analysis of the woods of North America with reference to comparative values for fuel. The highest value is shown to be that of the mountain mahogany, a Pacific-coast tree; hickory (the shag-bark variety) stands second. Pine is placed almost as high as maple. The abolition of recess in the Albany public-schools and the change of school-hours to sessions of from 9 to half-past 11 in the morning, and from a quarter past 1 to half-past 3 in the afternoon, have proved to be so successful an experiment that the Board have made them permanent. Physical, moral, and social results have all been excellent. Various cases of poisoning from the use of perfumes have been reported in recent English journals. In one instance a little girl had bought some belladonna perfume at a bazaar, and had applied on her face. This caused a vesicular eruption, swelling, itching, and, in fact, erysipelas, which lasted for some time. The scent was made with some of the odoriferous principles of plants, these acquiring its irritating properties.

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be a special committee on rules of order. The motion was lost, upon which Mr. Nutt said he did not make the motion as a personal reflection on the chairman.

Bishop Carman pleasantly remarked that he did not take it in that form. Mr. John Macdonald said there had been an opinion expressed that there was an unwillingness to touch the great questions upon which union really turned. To show that there was no ground for this fear, he moved an adjournment till two o'clock in the afternoon. The motion was altered to read, "When we adjourn we adjourn to meet at two o'clock," when it passed.

Rev. J. C. Antliff proposed that the Annual Conference be composed of one half ministers and the other half laymen. He did this to bring the question of lay representation before the body so that it could be relegated to the sub-committees.

Rev. F. Chisholm moved that the principle of lay representation be recognized in all the Church courts. Rev. Dr. Rice said this last motion was far too sweeping in its character. If the mover would be content with merely affirming the principle he would favour it.

Rev. F. Chisholm consented to alter the motion so that it would read, "That the principle of lay delegation be affirmed."

Rev. Dr. Pickard moved that the principle of lay delegation be recognized in the Annual Conferences.

Rev. E. A. Stafford said they would have done well to consider Mr. Chisholm's motion on Tuesday. They ought to do as educational authors did, define the terms, so that they would know the meaning of the words they were using.

Dr. Allison said the difficulty arose from importing into the Committee words which were foreign to Methodism. It was entirely un-Methodistic to speak of Conferences as church-courts.

The amendment moved by Rev. Dr. Pickard, affirming the principle of lay delegation in the Annual Conferences, was carried.

Rev. Dr. Dewart moved that the subject of lay delegation be referred to the sub-committee on lay delegation. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The following committees were reported:

Rearrangement of the Work—Mr. W. F. Hall, Revs. Dr. McMurray and Dr. Ryckman, Mr. John Palmer, Rev. E. Roberts, Mr. J. Hall, Rev. Jewitts, Dr. Gardner, Rev. W. H. Graham, Rev. J. C. Antliff, Mr. W. Treblecock.

District Superintendency—Rev. J. Shaw, Mr. T. H. Wilmot, Dr. Allison, Rev. George McRitchie, Rev. W. Bee, Mr. E. B. Crompton, Revs. Dr. Aylesworth and G. Abbas, Mr. Wm. Hower, Rev. G. Webber, Mr. T. Courtice.

EVENING SESSION.

The report of the committee on Lay Delegation was read by the Rev. H. J. Nutt, with recommendations as follows:—(1) That one layman shall be elected by the annual district meeting from amongst its members, who shall be a member of the Annual Conference; when the district shall contain more than eight circuits or stations, two laymen shall be elected. (2) That laymen so elected shall be admitted to unrestricted membership except to the examination of ministerial character (which shall be understood to include moral character, doctrinal views, and trials, growing out of these questions) the ordination of young men, and their reception into full connection, and the placing of ministers on the supernumerary or supernumerary list. (3) Laymen shall be eligible for election to all Annual Conference committees, except the Stationing Committee; nevertheless any Annual Conference may authorize the placing of one lay representative from each district on such committee. (4) That all General and Annual conference committees, shall be composed of ministers and laymen, except the above-mentioned committee.

Rev. F. Chisholm moved the reception of the report. Carried.

Clause 1 was adopted without discussion.

Rev. Dr. Dewart moved the adoption of the second clause.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland asked if it were understood that laymen should be present during the examination of ministerial character.

Rev. Dr. Rice said as the clause stood they would be present.

Dr. Allison asked why laymen were to be excluded from the Conference during the ordination of young men if they were to be present during the ordination of middle aged or old men. (Laughter.)

Rev. Dr. Pickard asked for a time to be stated when the laymen could attend. They might arrange it as it was in the district meetings, so that the ministers would come at a certain time before the laymen.

Rev. J. S. Williamson asked that the plan of the Methodist Episcopal Church be adopted. In that Church the examination of ministerial character was conducted with open doors, and if it were so arranged in the new Church there would be no difficulty in laymen being present.

Rev. G. Webber spoke for a Church that had lay delegation. He thought there ought to be no hesitation in adopting the motion, and it would be a simple matter of detail as to when the laymen should be present.

Rev. Dr. Rice said the Annual Conference could not be organized in the absence of the laity. There was a need of some different wording in

the resolution in order that the wish of the Committee should be carried out. There was a strong reason why the examination of ministerial character should be conducted with closed doors. He did not think that any resolution should exclude the layman from the Conference even during the examination of character if he did not vote.

Rev. J. C. Antliff said he did not see any necessity for examining ministerial character in the Conference at all. If the character was all right, why meddle with it, and if it were wrong the Quarterly Conference would find it out. In his church they had been in the habit of having two laymen in the Annual Conference to each minister, and he should like to see the matter put in such a shape as would meet the views of their people. Why not put this question of ministerial character into the hands of a committee? Why call it a conference at all?

Rev. W. C. Brown moved in amendment that the ministerial members of the Annual Conference shall meet one day earlier than the ordinary meeting of the Conference, in order to consider the questions of ministerial character, and any other matter that may be regarded as purely ministerial.

Rev. E. A. Stafford moved as a substitute to clause 2, "That the laymen shall participate in all business of the Annual Conference except the examination of ministerial character, the reception of probationers into full connection, and the granting of the supernumerary and supernumerary relation, but they may be present during the progress of this business." He contended that the men elected to the Annual Conference were sure to be men of character, and it would be quite safe for them to be present.

Rev. W. Bee strongly supported the principle of full lay representation.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland moved in amendment of the substitute, "That laymen so elected shall have the right to be present at all ordinary sessions of the Annual Conference to speak and vote on all questions except the examination of ministerial character, reception (by vote) of probationers into full connection and their ordination, and the placing of ministers on the supernumerary or supernumerary list. In case any minister's character shall be arrested it shall be competent for the ministers to meet in special session, to examine into the case, pronounce judgment thereon, and report their action to the Conference."

Rev. Dr. Pickard opposed a fractional representation. He moved "that this and the following clauses be laid on the table." He did this that there might be an opportunity for thought and consideration. The motion to lay on the table was lost.

The Rev. W. C. Brown moved that the second clause lie on the table. Carried. Clause 3 was then considered.

Dr. Sutherland moved that the two portions of the clause be voted on separately. The Chairman ruled that the motion was not in order. Rev. Dr. Sutherland then moved that all clause 3 after "That laymen shall be eligible for election to an annual Conference Committee except Stationing Committee" be struck out of the report.

Mr. John Macdonald moved that the whole clause be laid on the table. Lost.

Rev. J. C. Antliff moved, as an amendment to the amendment, that "including" be substituted for "excepting" making it read "including the Stationing Committee."

Rev. S. F. Huestis said that in the Eastern Provinces they had only one form of Methodism except a few Bible Christian churches in P. E. Island. It was perfectly useless for them to vote upon matters if they did not think in their hearts the laymen would accept them.

Rev. Dr. Stone called the attention of the Bible Christians and Primitive Methodists to the fact that in the legislative body of the Church there was equal lay representation, and it was only when they came to the executive part of the work that there was any disparity.

Rev. J. J. Rice said even an equal representation would be a very poor equivalent for being off the Stationing Committee. A moderate representation of laymen there would soon be appreciated even by ministers, and they would be reluctant to part with it. He was of opinion it might be that ministers were reluctant to grant this rather than the people adverse to accepting.

Rev. Dr. Stewart contended that the people in the Eastern Provinces were thoroughly loyal to Methodism, and so far as he knew the feeling of the people, he could say that they regarded the Union Committee as a providential body, and there were many praying going up for the success of the Union. He had been looking forward to this Assembly and the introduction of the laity into the Annual Conference with a good deal of pleasure. He would bring the laity into the work properly, and do away with the excuse urged for non-attendance at the District Conference, that they were brought together only to look at a few figures, by giving them something to do. He was prepared to admit the laity into the Conference in equal numbers and some members into the Stationing Committee.

Rev. J. A. Rogers assured the Committee that the people of the East were deeply interested in the union movement. He differed from some who had spoken, and believed that when the laymen were admitted to the Conference equally with the ministers they would be more likely to attend,

and so far as he knew at present he would vote for the admission of laymen into the Annual Conference and Stationing Committee.

Dr. Allison did not believe that twenty laymen in the Maritime Provinces had expressed a desire to enter the Annual Conferences, and he had very serious doubts if there were a hundred laymen who had that desire.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland asked permission to withdraw his amendment and move instead. "That this clause be laid on the table until the question of the composition come before this body."

He was given this permission and his motion to lay on the table was carried.

The Committee adjourned at 9.50.

Will each of our readers aid us by endeavoring to secure an additional subscriber? We shall use our utmost endeavors to render the WESLEYAN worthy of patronage during the coming year.

PERSONAL.

The Carleton Sentinel says: "The many friends of Rev. Edwin Mills will regret to learn that his change of locality has not improved his health."

Rev. J. M. Pike and family sailed on Sunday morning per Polynesia for Baltimore, on their way to South Carolina. They were detained nearly a week by the accident to the steamer. Rev. M. H. Smith also went passenger for the South.

We regret that the ill-health of the Rev. Joseph McLeod, of the Free-Will Baptist Church, Fredericton, obliges him to look toward the South. He expects to go to Florida. His church gives him six months leave of absence. Mr. McLeod has been to the front in every good work.

The death of Mrs. Hennigar, the wife of the Rev. J. G. Hennigar, took place at Canning, on Tuesday morning. The deceased lady was much beloved in the many circuits in which her husband had travelled during his long itinerancy. In his loneliness and weakness our dear father in the ministry will be remembered all over the Lower Provinces.

The wealthier Methodists in our larger towns should take an interest in those whom public institutions may lead among them. For some time this has been done in Fredericton. The Reporter states that Mr. Martin Lemont recently entertained very pleasantly the teachers and members of the Methodist Sabbath-school at his residence, and with them many of the Normal school students.

We deeply sympathize with the family of our deceased brother, Amos A. Bliss. Mr. Bliss came here from Albert Co., N. B., for which he was at one time a representative in the Provincial legislature. He was an energetic business man and equally active in Christian service. As a local preacher his name has frequently appeared on our city preachers' plan. His health had not been at its former mark for some time, but his final illness was comparatively short. On Monday afternoon last his funeral took place. Mr. Bliss so lived as to be missed at home, in the church and in the world.

LITERARY, &c.

Our Sea-Girl Tale, by the Rev. Jabez Marratt, is a worthy addition to the finely illustrated volumes which T. Woolmer, London, has been issuing during the present year. It will prove a most acceptable book as a gift and a very pleasant companion for spare half-hours. Those who read it will have learned not a little of the pleasant places and prominent men of that country colonists have not yet forgotten to call "Home." It can be obtained through our Book-Room. Price \$1 10.

The Life and Letters of Mrs. Elizabeth Prentiss, just issued by A. D. F. Randolph and Co., New York, is a volume that at once recalls by its mention that delightful book, "Stepping Heavenward," and others, of equal merit from the same pen. The many who have been blessed by reading them will gladly learn more of the author. Mrs. Prentiss, the daughter of the sainted Dr. Payson, of Portland, Me., was in spirit much like her worthy father. This narrative of her early days, and of her consecrated life as the wife of a Christian minister, is told in part by the pen of a loving friend and in part by her own inimitable letters. We are glad that the story of a life so rich in good is to be placed within the reach of the many who have already found her writings a means of grace. It will charm the reader and suggest hallowed purposes and strengthen many for Christian service. Price \$2.25.

THURLOW WEED.

Another very noted personage drops out of the higher New York circles. The venerable Thurlow Weed, after a short acute illness, at the advanced age of eighty-six years, peacefully breathes his last surrounded by his family. Without holding office himself, he has had more influence in placing men in State and national offices than any citizen of the land. A veteran political editor in Albany, New York, he kept a firm grasp upon his party, first the Whig and then the Republican, and his voice was always

potent in its counsels. He was long associated with Gov. Seward and Horace Greely in managing the politics of New York, and also the national policy. To the last, in his later home in New York city, he has continued his interest in the party struggles. He was a man of strong native powers, with the courage of his convictions, and, withal, an honourable man and a true patriot. His daily habits took on the simplicity of a farmer day, and he preserved a childlike trust in revealed religion, repeating, as the last act every night before closing his eyes to sleep, the Lord's prayer. He was generous and kind hearted, tenderly beloved by a large family-circle. He leaves an unblemished reputation behind him—Zion's Herald.

METHODIST NOTES.

Rev. C. W. Hamilton is preparing for his mission to the lumbermen in the south-west Miramichi. He will probably have an opportunity to visit fifty camps and address four hundred men. Any gifts of papers or tracts for distribution will be well used by him.

On Sunday evening last, at the close of an earnest sermon by the pastor of the Grafton St. Church, five persons were publicly received into membership. On the same evening nine persons were welcomed in the same manner at the Charles Street Church.

"A Subscriber" at Westville wishes us to state that the social recently held there was not for "circuit expenses," but in aid of the minister's salary. The amount was over \$53. The congregation at Westville has purchased an organ. An entertainment in aid of the purchase fund is to be held on January 23rd.

A new church is in course of erection at Milburne (Pierre Jacques) Alberton circuit, P. E. I. The outside is approaching completion, and it is expected that it will be ready for dedication early next summer. Milburne is comparatively a new settlement, and our people have done nobly in erecting this handsome edifice. More when it is opened.

The Annual Missionary meeting was held at Hest's Content, Nfld., on the 20th ult. The church was well filled by a most attentive congregation. A. A. Thompson, Esq., the chairman, struck an excellent keynote. The Report was presented by Rev. H. Lewis, and excellent speeches were delivered by Rev. G. P. Story, Rev. G. Boyd, and Rev. C. Ladner. Throughout the interest was well sustained, and the collection was in advance of last year. The singing was excellent, the Rev. G. P. Story presiding at the organ.

The Centennial Services were held on the Digby Circuit, on Sabbath, the 29th of October, on the evening of which day the Rev. James Taylor preached an interesting and instructive sermon to a large and attentive congregation; and on Monday, the 3rd of October, when the Revs. Dr. Rice and James Stoddard very appropriately addressed a well attended meeting presided over by Rev. James Taylor. The promised subscriptions and collections amounted to something over fifty dollars. On the 28th ult., we were again favored; this time by a visit from Revs. Dr. Young and D. W. Johnson, who spoke so effectively to the goodly number who gathered to hear them on the very important subject of Christian missions, that, although our people had so nobly contributed to the Centennial Fund, the contributions toward the Mission Fund will probably be 20 per cent. in advance of last year.

ABROAD.

Our English Methodist exchanges are filling up their columns for Revival Intelligence with very cheering reports.

The correspondent of the N. Y. Advocate estimates that Methodism has more or less under its influence nearly one third of the inhabitants of Baltimore.

On Oct. 22nd, at the church in Evanston, Illinois, a debt of \$18,000, which had been carried for a number of years at a high rate of interest, was successfully cancelled. The amount was raised in about an hour. Within two weeks \$15,000 of this amount will be paid down.

Dr. Manners, of Indiana, has handed to the treasurer of the Board of Trustees of Asbury University, \$15,000. This, with \$10,000 given four years ago, completes the endowment of the "Geo. Manners professorship of Latin language and literature. Like other generous friends of "Asbury," he wisely chooses to be his own executor.

The Rev. C. S. Long, of the M. E. Mission, recently made a tour through the Japanese provinces of Satsuma and Higo, and everywhere found the people ready to hear the Gospel. In one place a preaching station was established with 22 probationers to be begun with. At another place the people promised to start a class of 20 if he would leave them a pastor. In Nagasaki five persons were baptized. Oct. 8, 20 native Christians partook of the Lord's Supper.

The Churchman proposes that the coming centennial year of the Episcopal Church in the United States be observed by removing all debt from its 3000 parishes.

Many of our subscribers have cheered us in the past by prompt renewals. Will all whose subscriptions are about to expire renew at once. Delay makes the payment more difficult to the subscriber and increases the burden of management.

THE CEDAR GROVE.

The steamer Cedar Grove, Captain Fritz, from London to Halifax and St. John, struck on the ledges off Cape Canso Island on the morning of the 30th ult., and suddenly sank three hours after. Most of the officers and crew, with Mr. McAvity, a passenger, escaped; but the captain, with the only lady passenger—Miss Fairall, a cousin of Mr. W. H. Fairall, of St. John, and the second and third engineers and one or two of the crew were lost.

The chief officer attributes the variation of the steamer from her course to the compasses being out of order. It is impossible that she may have fallen under the influence of some local magnetic force, such as the electric storm which deranged the wires all over North America the other day. Such things have happened. An official inquiry will, it is said, be instituted by the Department of the Marine and Fisheries. A new steamer, to be built at Sunderland for the New Brunswick Company and intended as a companion vessel to the late Cedar Grove, will be called the Cedar Keys. It is probable that a new steamer will also take the place of that just lost. The Cedar Grove was fortunately well insured.

The corner-stone of a new church was recently laid in Leipzig, the first new Lutheran church built in that city during the last three hundred years.

The schools in connection with the Irish Church Missions in Dublin are reported to be "in the most promising condition, and to be well filled with Roman Catholic children, who are constantly going forth into life as intelligent and Christian Protestants."

Miss Whately (Anglican) has resumed her school work in Cairo. When the war broke out she had a daily attendance of 300 boys and 200 girls, of whom nearly two-thirds were Moslem. There is a medical mission in connection with this important school.

GLEANINGS, Etc.

DOMINION.

Two boys went on the ice at Sydney Mines last week and were instantly drowned.

The Khedive has been informed that the English Government recommends General Sir Evelyn Wood for the command of the new Egyptian army.

A new slope has been opened at the Spring Hill mines. The output of these mines this year will exceed 200,000 tons.

There is reason to believe that the European, American, Canadian and Asiatic Cable Company will be a fait accompli next summer.

The new reply postal cards, which are being prepared by the Burland Lithographic Co., will be issued shortly by the post office department.

Judge King has appointed the 18th December next, for the trial of the Election Petition in the matter of the Westmorland Co. contested election, (Local).

His Excellency the Gov. General spent St. Andrew's day in the city of San Francisco. A magnificent reception was given him and the Princess Louise in that city.

The Pacific Railway 680 miles west of Winnipeg, is nearly all ballasted. Progress in laying the track is made at the rate of two and a half miles a day, notwithstanding the severe frost.

The ladies of St. John, Mrs. Mayor Jones as President, have taken hold of the Centennial Memorial Hall in earnest, and have started a subscription list, taking sums as low as a dollar.

The Allan steamer Peruvian from Montreal while entering the Mersey on the morning of Tuesday collided with a Clan Line steamer. The Peruvian was considerably damaged and lies sunk on Crosby Beach.

An extensive shipment of canned meats and fish is going on from P. E. Island to Liverpool, G. B. These articles can now be sent by the U. S. mails as fourth-class matter when under four pounds in weight.

Since 1833 Montreal has had five Protestant Mayors, who held office ten years; thirteen French Canadians, who held office thirty-five years; and two Irish Catholic Mayors, with a term of four years. The Irish Catholics want the Mayoralty next year.

The late snow storm in P. E. Island was very severe. Trains were stuck at various points on the line. The telegraph lines between Mt. Stewart and Souris were broken in twenty places on account of the snow and sleet accumulating on the wires.

Two of the seamen of the ill-fated "Cedar Grove," with others, were picked up by the schooner Parole. The Parole was run into by the steamer Liddesdale and abandoned in a hurry. The Liddesdale went into Sydney, where the two seamen joined her crew. She is now on her way to the Newfoundland coast.

About 300 men are at work on the line between Oxford and Pugwash, which the company expects to have ready for the rails by the opening of navigation next spring. The station at Oxford is across the river from the village, and within half a mile of the "corner." The Pugwash terminus is near the old tannery.

Mayor Fraser, Dr. Moren, Medical Officer, and Ald. MacCoy, chairman of the Sanitary Committee, sent by the city, and Hon. Drs. Parker, Farrell, Wickwire and J. W. McDonald, sent by the Medical Society of Nova Scotia, left on Monday for Ottawa to confer with the Dominion Government on Vital Statistics.

A variety of fish-eating birds, have been selected by Lieut. Col. Davar, as part of the Island Exhibit at the London Fisheries Exhibition. They consist of gulls, loons, fish-hawks, kingfishers, etc. They have been ordered to Halifax and will be forwarded from that place. Prince Edward Island should have had a separate exhibit.

GENERAL.

The Hansom cabs now in use in Philadelphia are in constant demand, and are an established success.

The trustees of the University of Pennsylvania refuse to admit women to the benefits of the institution.

The Queen has telegraphed to Dublin inquiring into the condition of ex-Juror Field who was dangerously assaulted on the 27th, and expressing sympathy for his family.

A woman is under sentence of 35 years imprisonment for selling liquor at Rutland, Vt., that period being composed of 200 different terms for a like number of offenses.

The Times St. Petersburg correspondent says it is calculated that embezzlement and robberies, private and official in Russia during the year, amounted to 26,000,000 roubles.

In the Garrett-Bennett, Baltimore and Ohio Cable company James Gordon Bennett, of the New York Herald, is interested to the extent of \$2,000,000 in an endeavor to lower cable rates.

If the rubber factories close this month as agreed upon by the recent conventions in New York, 40,000 people will be thrown out of employment in New York, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New Jersey.

The Cincinnati Board of Councilmen have engrossed an ordinance prohibiting the sale of explosives, cartridges, pistols, etc., to minors under seventeen years of age, without the written consent of parents or guardians, under a penalty not exceeding \$50.

Two of Garfield's physicians are reported fatally ill—Surgeon General Barnes, who is low with Bright's disease, and Dr. Woodward, who is rapidly failing from softening of the brain which a trip to Italy failed to avert.

The W. C. T. U. of Ohio has entered upon a vigorous campaign for Constitutional prohibition. Already a fund of \$20,000 has been placed at the disposal of the organization by wealthy men of the State as the "sinews of war."

The Dublin Gazette contains a list of amicable agreements made in September between landlords and tenants for the fixing of a fair rent, as follows: Ulster, 1,018; Munster, 230; Leinster, 252; Connaught, 219.

The Standard's Constantinople correspondent says the Sultan did not attend the mosque on Friday, and it has since transpired that an attempt to assassinate him was contemplated. The Sultan is completely terror-stricken and hardly dares to show himself outside the Harem.

The cholera, which has ravaged Japan for the past summer and autumn, has almost totally disappeared. In all Japan 20,000 persons have perished of the disease, but happily no one of the missionary community in the country has fallen.

The census of the United States revealed the fact that out of four million farms owned in that country there were only one hundred and thirty thousand less than ten acres. A ten-acre farm in most of the European countries is not considered small by any means.

The beauty of the Italian lakes is threatened by the opening of the St. Gothard Railway. Energetic German speculators propose to establish large coal depots on the shores of the lakes and to put a fleet of coal barges on the waters of lakes Maggiore and Lugano.

A correspondent writing to the Times with reference to the condition of the Indian contingent while engaged in the Egyptian campaign says that none of the contingent suffered the least in health, and for days together there was not a single man of the native corps in hospital. Every man, camp-followers and all, that landed in Egypt, embarked to go back again, except the few who were killed by the enemy.

Before the court martial on the 3rd inst., Arabi Pasha pleaded guilty to the charge of rebellion. In the afternoon the court re-assembled and pronounced sentence of death against Arabi, which the Khedive subsequently commuted to exile for life. It is believed Arabi will retire to some part of the British dominions. His demeanor before the court was very dignified.

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Neither does the preparation in our ideal Sabbath-school begin and end with the teacher; the scholars too have a work to do, and the lessons of each week are carefully and thoughtfully prepared; the study of God's Word is to them a pleasure and delight. The teacher's duty does not end with the Sabbath lessons; he follows each member of his class with prayer, loving counsel, and tender admonitions, strengthening the weak, encouraging the doubtful, pointing the seeking to a Saviour mighty to save. He will be instant in season, out of season, sowing beside all waters the good seed of the kingdom.

Delightful work, young souls to win, And turn the rising race From the deceitful path of sin To seek retreating grace!

M: MORIAL NOTICES

MRS. RUTH CLARK. Mrs. Clark departed this life in the faith and hope of the Gospel, on Sunday evening, Nov. 5th, 1892, at the residence of Mr. Charles Barker, Bedford, N. B.

hospitality and Christian love. She was in many respects a very remarkable woman. She was physically very strong, and her mind appears to have acquired the strength and ruggedness of the physical constitution. She was always very fond of good books and had read great quantities of the best Methodist literature.

Our deceased sister belonged to a class that seems fast disappearing—a generation that has almost passed away, or can only be found in certain localities. She was of the old Puritan stock that come from New England to this country over 100 years ago.

When about sixteen years of age, became convinced that it was his duty to serve God, and in accordance with this conviction he one day retired to the woods and upon bended knee consecrated himself to Him; this formed the starting point in his Christian life.

Of his outward life it must suffice to say that he was honest in all his business transactions, circumspect in his department, proper in his expression, and while he took no very deep interest in public affairs, he brought no reproach upon the community of which he was a member; his was a blameless life.

DAVID BEMAN. Who through the faithful ministrations of the Rev. W. C. Brown was led to see himself as a sinner and

Christ as his Saviour, commenced his Christian life in the year 1866 or 7, and from that time strove to follow Christ with no small degree of success; conscious, as he often confessed himself to be, of many imperfections, he nevertheless rejoiced in the Divine assurance which God had given him that He had justified him freely through faith.

His attachment to the House of God and the people of God was strong, nor was his love for the Word of God any less marked. One of his dying testimonies when asked if he would like to hear a portion read was "Yes, I love the Word of God."

GEORGE ORMISTON. Died, at the residence of his father, Galarus, C. E., on Nov. 3rd, after a long and distressing illness, George Ormiston, aged 28. His sorrowing wife, parents, and other relatives and friends are consoled by the knowledge that he died trusting in Jesus. The deceased has for a number of years been residing in Halifax.

WHEELBARROWS FOR DRUNKARDS—Sir Wilfrid Lawson, M. P., speaking of the resources of civilization, says: "I was driving with a friend through the modern Athens—the home of education, colleges, and science, and religion, I believe—the town of Edinburgh; and I saw a policeman coming along, wheeling a very elegant machine, got up with the care and skill, I said, 'What is that?' My friend replied, 'That is the new handbarrow which has excited so much interest in the town. It has been invented for the police to more conveniently wheel the drunkards to the police-station, because, you know, we have a peculiar system in this country. Most tradesmen send their goods themselves, but when a publican has completed and finished the article, then we send it at the public expense by the police. I thought to myself, when I saw this ingenious machine, we can do more in that direction, and I said to myself in words which have since become famous, 'The resources of civilization are not exhausted.' Surely there must be some other way for civilization to deal with this terrible evil. Its resources cannot be at an end with the invention of a wheelbarrow. Yet beneath the jest lies the truth that many persons believe that this is about all that legislation can do in relation to this mischief, drunkenness."

CHRISTIAN LIBERALITY.—There were two poor boys, brothers in the city of New York, who learned to be blacksmiths; one of them when he learned his trade, hired himself as a journeyman. He had laid by in the savings-bank 100 dollars; that was all he had in the world—\$20. He went to a missionary meeting in old Green-street Church—the first missionary meeting that he attended after he came to the city, and his heart was so stirred within him that he gave every cent he had to the missionary cause. That man lived to establish the New York City Church Extension and Missionary Society and for many years before he was called to his rest he gave away annually from 40,000 to 60,000 dollars, or from \$2,000 to \$10,000. The more he gave the more he had; and after giving that sum for years for the purpose of opening and building churches, and paying ministers to occupy their pulpits, died a rich man. After he died, his brother, who became somewhat wealthy, was appointed president of the society that had been created and carried forward by the one who had died. There are churches scattered all over the city of New York where there would be no churches but for his liberality, and that of those whom he had brought about him. That brother is giving away now from \$20,000 to \$30,000 a year, or from \$4,000 to \$5,000, to carry forward that work in the city of New York, and yet he is one of the largest contributors to the Connexional Missionary Society.

PROFESSOR PALMER.—Professor Edward Henry Palmer, the English scholar who was lately killed by the Arabs in Egypt, had marvelous linguistic attainments. Walter Besant records that when they were walking out together one day near the Foreign Sailors' Home, at Limehouse, Palmer espied a friend in charge of a cart with baskets, with whom he exchanged five minutes of question and greeting in Roman. On the steps of the Home were two men basking in the sun; one of these was a Lascar from Calcutta, the other a burly negro who hailed from Sudan, and talked some kind of Arabic. In the conversation which followed, both men having a budget of grievances to unfold, it was evidently little or no effort for Palmer to pass from Arabic to Hindustani and back again, turning from one to the other, while both talked at once.

BREVITIES.

An annuity is still paid in England to a servant of George III., and over six hundred dollars were paid in pensions last year to surviving servants of Queen Charlotte.

Mountains never shake hands. Their roots may touch, they may keep together some way up, but at length they part company, and rise into individual, isolated peaks. So it is with great men.

To think we are able is almost to be so; to determine upon attainment is frequently attainment itself. Earnest resolution has often seemed to have about it a savor of Omnipotence.—Samuel Smiles.

It is no small commendation to manage a little well. He is a good wagoner who can turn in a little room. To live well in abundance is the praise of the estate, not of the person.—Bishop Hall.

Plutarch's advice to the unfortunate is very ingenious, and ought to be consolatory. "Consider," says the philosopher, "you equal the happiest men in one-half of your life at least—that half, I mean, which you spend in sleep."

Emile Zola wrote to the Connecticut parents who had named their boy after him, advising that he be made a man of science, rather than trained for "the career of literature, where there is nothing to reap but bitterness and disappointment."

Women once had all their rights. The ancient Egyptian bridegroom took the name of his wife, instead of giving his name to her; and Egyptian sons, instead of being called after their fathers, were designated by the name of their mothers.

It is a noteworthy fact that among the hundreds of dupes whom Mormon propagandists pick up in Europe every year and bring out to the United States, a native of Ireland is seldom found. Mormon missionaries have "no show" in that country.

The post-office department has ruled that a husband has no control over the correspondence of his wife. But this decision will not prevent a man from carrying his wife's letter in his inside coat pocket three weeks before mailing it.—New Orleans Picayune.

Common-place people are content to walk for life in the rut made by their predecessors, long after it has become so deep that they cannot see to the right or left. This keeps them in ignorance and darkness, but it saves them the trouble of thinking or acting for themselves.

The maelstrom attracts more notice than the quiet fountain; a comet draws more attention than a steady star; but it is better to be the fountain than the maelstrom, and star than comet, following out the sphere and orbit of quiet usefulness in which God places us.—John Hall, D. D.

Mr. Winans, of Baltimore, pays \$75,000 a year for a vast tract of deer forests, extending from one side of Scotland to the other. Not content with this, he has just leased another estate, and has brought suit against the owners for failing to eject the shepherds and crofters who are on it.

Sir Garnet Wolseley is fond, like Napoleon, of addressing himself directly to the soldiers under his command. "Now, my man," he said, "if you were told to lighten your kit by half-a-pound, what should you throw away?" "The Soldier's Pocket Companion" (Wolseley's work), answered the man, as he respectfully saluted his commander.

A little girl in the infant class of a Sunday school thoroughly appreciated being good from choice and from necessity. At the close of the school one day the teacher remarked, "Becky, dear, you have been a very good little girl to-day." "Yes'm, I couldn't help being good; I got tiff neck," the youthful Becky replied, with perfect seriousness.

In France fourteen jurors are drawn for each trial—twelve to form the jury, and two to act as substitutes in case of sickness. The substitutes are sworn, and sit in the jury box, but take no part in finding the verdict unless they are required to fill a vacancy. Unanimity is not required in finding a verdict, but there must be a majority of eight to four to carry a conviction.

The sand of the Sahara desert is sometimes heated to a temperature of 200 degrees Fahrenheit by the vertical rays of the sun. This gives rise to a scorching wind—the dreaded simoon—which is rendered still more terrible by the burning particles of sand it carries along. In 1813 Burkhardt recorded 122 degrees in the shade during the prevalence of this pestilential blast.

A Maine deacon having buried his third wife, in due time a fourth was inaugurated mistress of his heart and home. He was a very prudent man, and suffered nothing to be wasted. When the new mistress was putting things to rights, while cleaning up the attic, she came across a long piece of board, and was about launching it out of the window; little Sally interposed, and said: "O mamma, don't; that is the board papa lays on his wives on, and he wants to save it." Nevertheless, out it went.

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Receipts for 'Wesleyan.'

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MARRIED

At Digby, on the 28th Nov., by Rev. W. Ainley, Mr. Isaac H. Bonnell, to Mrs. Mary Thero, both of Digby.

At the residence of the bride's father, Nov. 29th, by Rev. George M. Campbell, Rev. Edwin C. Turner, Pastor of Richmond Methodist church, to S. Irene, daughter of Alexander Kirkpatrick, Esq., of Debec, Carleton County.

At the residence of the bride's father, Kensington, Nov. 22nd, by Rev. W. Maggs, Miss Emma M. Wright, to Mr. George H. Holbrook, of Mill Valley, P.E.I.

At Waterville, Carleton Co., on Wednesday the 29th Nov., by the Rev. M. R. Knight, Mr. Nelson Getchell, of Limestone, Aroostook Co., Me., to Miss Jane Getchell, daughter of L. C. Getchell, Esq.

At the parsonage, on the 20th ult., by the Rev. J. J. Teasdale, Mr. F. Hummelman to Miss Anna C. Johnson, all of Petite Riviere, Lunenburg Co.

Nov. 30th, at the parsonage, Avondale, by Rev. H. McArthur, Mr. Walter Sanford to Miss Rosilla Irenzo, all of Belmont, Haute, N.S.

At the parsonage, Bileford, P.E.I., on 20th Nov., by Rev. W. E. Johnson, M.A., Robert Fraser to Annie Johnson, both of Tyne Valley, P. E. I.

By the same, at the bride's residence on the 21st Nov., Thomas Burleigh to Mrs. Sophia Burleigh, both of Ellerslie, P. E. I.

At the residence of Capt. E. B. Elderkin, 20th Nov., by Rev. A. D. Morton, David A. Dickson to Miss Sarah E. Bradley, all of Maconn.

At the Methodist parsonage, Mid. Musquodobit, on the 30th ult., by the Rev. J. H. Davis, Mr. James McFritidge to Miss Mary L. Gladwin, all of Musquodobit.

DIED

On the 2nd inst., at his residence, No. 251 Brunswick street, Amos Atkinson Bliss, in the 52nd year of his age, leaving a wife and six children to mourn the loss of a loving husband and kind father.

At Mount Pleasant, Digby, on the 18th, Nov., James Warrington, in his 70th year.

At Digby, on the 23rd November, David Eeman, in his 70th year.

At Boston Highlands, on Saturday, the 25th ult., Robert J. Grant, of Halifax, in the 29th year of his age, leaving a wife and three children to mourn their loss.

At Carling, Tuesday morning, Dec. 5th, the wife of Rev. J. G. Henuigar.

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