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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It is no longer "treason" to toast the Queen in anything but wine, and both Her Majesty and public opinion

The Advance claims that the least dangerous element in the votes of the illiterate is not that ignorance disqualifies them for a rational judgment, but that it exactly qualifies them to be the tools of bad men.

Zion's Herald suggests: When one is tempted to relate a witty but impure anecdote for the amusement of his intimate friends, let him extinguish the desire he feels to amuse his friends in that way with this prohibition of the Holy Spirit, "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of thy mouth!"

Rev. J. D. Symonds, rector of Coryton, recently said at a meeting, while at Lahore he visited every cell in the military prison, and asked each man what it was that brought him there, and twenty-three out of twenty-four made answer 'Drink, Bir.' "-Christian Commonwealth.

It would be an improvement to some fault-finders of sermons in our church pews if they would consider carefully Hunt's definition of real criticism, when he says that it is the "judgment of a work by its quali-ties, not by its faults." All the All the qualities should be considered, and not the defects merely.

"Our preacher failed to fill his appointment, and we had no service. And why not? You surely could have had a prayer-meeting, and you could have claimed God's promises. The next time your pastor fails to reach the church, hold a prayer or experience-meeting. Never allow a service to go by detault. - Chr. Neighbour.

If when you change your residence you so undervalue the Chursh of the presentation of your Church do not think it a strange thing that the Head of the Church withdraws from your half-recreant soul the light of his countenance. - Nashville Adv.

The member of the Church who ne glects the support of his pastor, feels mean when he shakes hands with him for the last time and sees him start for It is, I believe, also admitted that to Conference. There is a sense of shame | the hardworking, thoroughly efficient, and guilt that is exceedingly annoy and intellectual clergy disestablish ing. He shakes it off after awhile. Wonder if memory and conscience will ever revive these feelings ?-Holston

The Canada Presbyterian, speaking of ministers and directorships of monetary institutions, puts it this way : A man that can raise a family of six or eight children respectably on \$500 a year and keep out of debt is qualified for a seat on any monetary board. Raising a large family on \$500 a year is a far great financial feat than some one had left the bars down, and managing the Bank of Montreal."

The Westminster Teacher takes exception to the course of the young people of the Sunday-schools who peddle tickets on Sunday and other days for church festivals, picnics and magic lantern shows. It likens them to the "money-changers in the Temple," and says that they ought to be driven out. It sets at naught the apology that this ticket peddling is a work of necessity and mercy.

The Catholic Church say their opposition to the public school is because it is "godless," and yet refuse to allow the Bible to be taught in those schools. The Bible has been replaced in the schools of Syracuse, N. Y., and a priest denounced the action from the pulpit, and ordered all the Catholic children to be withdrawn. There is nothing that Rome hates as it does the light of God's Word.

The S. S. Times says that an English Egyptologist has called attention to the fact that in the ancient hieroglyphics "love" was represented by Love will the figure of a "hoe." prompt a man to dig. He will dig cheerfully for love's sake. . . And, again, it is suggested that the Latin word for "worship" is "cultus," from the same root as that for 'ploughshare." Worship involves

We have a strong conviction that the most fatal antagonist of Romanism in this country and throughout the world is Methodism. Some years ago Signor Gavazzi declared that when Pio Nono was speaking of the forces arrayed against Catholicism in England he indicated Methodism as the most formidable. We think that this judgment was a proof of his infallibility. The two forms of religion must be fatal to each other. Where Romanism is universally triumphant Methodism must be crushed, and where Methodism is victorious Romanism must be vanquished. - Watch

One of the queerest sentences ever mposed on a criminal was that given to William Hannah, found guilty be-fore Judge Krehel, of St. Louis, of selling liquor to Indians. Hannah pleaded ignorance of the law as an excuse, saying he could not read or write. Judge Krekel sentenced him to the county jail till he could learn to write, and sentenced another criminal to jail till he should have taught men were discharged -- Boston Tran-

"Weiss beer" is officially declared intoxicating. So are certain "bitters," some of which contain more alcohol than brandy or rum. Thousands of temperance people" innecently (?)
ake these "bittera" However, these take some of them contain something more than alcohol. Two men recently bought a bottle and invited a third to drink. Soon one fell dead, and soon after another; the third, who drank moderately got off with spasms. - N.

The New York Tribune, comment ing on Mrs. Langtry's career in the United States, which fastened on her the common imputation of loose living that many people think almost inseparable from the stage, sets this down to the crecit of their best society: 'Three brilliant but notorious women welcomed in good society abroad, have in late years achieved in turn marked professional success here, but, though in some cases pressingly introduced, have not been received under a respectable New York lady's roof.

Oh, if now the decree went forth that no more strong drink should ever be sold, how many a weary heart would bound with joy? How many a drink-cursed home would ring with gladness? It would be hailed with delighted acclamation, not only by those who have toiled long and hard in the cause of truth and right, but Christ as to be indifferent about re- even by the bond-slaves of evil habit newing your membership therein by themselves. Let us work earnestly in fervent brotherly love and fervent hatred of wrong. - Conada Citizen. A correspondent writing to the Lon-

don Times says: "It is an admitted fact that among the clergy of the Church of England there is an amount of personal poverty simply appalling. ment would, in a pecuniary sense, prove a blessing instead of a curse; for purchase would cease, and the people themselves would in some form or other have more power in the appointment of clergy to livings than they now have."

Many a Christian who has been greatly revived at camp-meeting, and who worked well in the altar with penitents, has lost a great deal of his religion on reaching home and finding the pigs had been in his potato patch. Many a good sister who shouted at the camp meeting, and left, loving the whole world, has been so when she found the calves had been in the garden while she had been at the camp ground that she needed another camp-meeting revival to bring her heart into a good religious frame. How often we allow these "little foxes to spoil the tender vines."-Texas

The return just presented to the House of Commons of the fees paid by the Archbishop of Canterbury on his promotion to the Primacy is a curious document, and has naturally attracted much attention. It is he perfect keeping with the secularity and formalism which characterise every item in the proceedings connected with these apointments to high office in the Church Establishment; and it shows how large a share perquisites and property have in all these transactions. The demand for "backsheesh" seems to have met the new Archbishop at every turn, and although his income of £15,000 a year is well able to bear the burden, it is none the less disrepushould exist. -The Liberator.

Mrs. H. B. Stowe, after describing in her inimitable way the strictness with which the children of the Puritans were required to keep the Sabbath in reply to the question, whether this did not excite a distaste for it and for religion, answered by an unqualified "No, it did not." She adds: "The effect of the system was to ingrain into our character a veneration for the Sabbath which no friction of afterlife would ever efface. I have lived to wander in many climates and foreign lands where the Sabbath is an unknown name, or where it is only recognized by noisy mirth; but never has the day returned without bringing with it a breathing of religious awe, and even a yearning for the unbroken stillness and the simple devotion of the Puritan Sabbath."-N. Y. Adv. Lord's. -Christian at Work.

THE SPIRITS LEADINGS. How many Christians know what it

is to be led by the Spirit? We grope on through life as in a bewildering maze, not doubting our hopes it may be, acting from principle, even from love to the Master, and yet strangers to light and liberty. We are on a low level, and the light that is in us Hannah the art. In three weeks both is darkness. Unsatisfied we are, yet making light drafts on God's grace, and coming timidly to the mercyseat. Half-praying, half-hoping, how can we expect large measures of power? "Ye have not because ye ask not." "Oye of little faith." very first requisite is increase of faith really to believe that God is willing and ready, just for the asking, to baptize us individually with the Holy Ghost. Truly it must be most earnestly desired and reverently sought after. It is an astounding thought that though poor, weak, ignorant, and sinful, we may be clothed with power from on high. The most humble and obscure child of God may possess it. It seems daring, almost irreverent, to assert it, and yet, have we not divine authority for saying so ? What is meant by the constant reference to "the gift of the Holy Ghost; "the power of the Spirit of God; being filled with the Spirit;" "being endued with power from on high : baptized with the Holy Ghost; 'ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you?" Are we not living in the dispensation of the Spirit? Have we not all part and lot in the matter? What constitutes the difference between Christian workers? One goes forth in his own strength and fails, another is nothing made meet for the Master's use" by

the power of the Holy Ghost.

gers to this conception. "What is the Holy Ghost? I don't understand anything about it." said an intelligent and consistent church-member of years' standing. Does not this confession tell a tale of coldness in Christian life, a deserted closet, and a crumbled family altar? "They that do his will, know of the doctrine." Of multitudes of Christians may it be truly said, "For as yet he had fallen upon none of them." If we are not conscious ourselves of the Spirit's leadings, have we not seen those who were clothed from on high? and have we not felt the gift to be of all things most desirable? If theirs, why not ours, if it may be had for the asking? With it, how different would be the sad, weary perplexing thing we ca'l life! How it would smooth family friction, and scatter clouds of discontent, to yield our plans to the infallible Disposer of all events! How would sorrow be soothed and softened if the Comforter, instead of being an occasional guest, dwelt in our homes an abiding, real presence! If the beautiful fruits of the Spirit were manifest there, we should have constant foretastes of heaven. God has placed us here, and we are always seeking our own and trying toget along without him. We scarcely know it, but we regret the past and reach into the future, preparing and planning for its emergencies, and forecasting its cares, apart from Him who careth for us. Now, suppose we were willing to be led by the Spirit. Perhaps we table that this system of sponging think we are. But does not this willingness imply a complete yielding of our wills to God's? We must not an. ticipate, but follow his guidancetrustfully placing our hand in his, not even caring what he has in store for us to-morrow, but earnestly desiring his will concerning us to-day. Then when we feel that we have heard heavenly whisperings, and been blessed in the labor of to-day we may not venture on to-day's grace for the walk of to-morrow. We must seek fresh supplies every day, and let God work through us. What loads of anxiety

our hearts! Instruments only to do

FILLED WITH GOD'S FULLNESS.

I love the brave ficeman who puts up the ladder and comes down with my child. I can't help taking that man to my arms. He saved my boy. Shall I not love God—Jesus—who died for all my children to save them from eternal ruin and rescued them eternal ruin and rescued them hat perdition to which they were I I want no other proof of the by of the human heart than the depractly of the human heart than the fact that men do not love God. If this depravity is cast out by taking Christ, getting near to Christ, getting Him to dwell in your heart, getting Him to stay morning, noon and night, you can then look out on this planet and take in the breadth and height and rise above every surrounding of trial, being "filled with all the fullness of God." But then, as I intimated, there must be love to compre he nd love. There must be a practical exhibition of love to enable you to fully comprehend love. God did not theorize : He practiced. He gave His Son. He told Abraham to take His Son and offer him. How did Abraham feel in all those three days when locking upon Isaac? How did he feel when taking the knife? Could he forget him as he turned his head? He looked so much like Sarah, shall I slay him? Could he forget him? God gave His only begotten. Could He forget us? I hear Him saying, Lo! I come to do thy will even as He looked down the future, past the years, past the centuries, past the ages, on to Calvary, saw the pangs, saw all, yet He came. There was practical love for us. We must begin to work, to do good in some way. There is not a person whom God has placed under circumstances in which he can do good. God gives to us the Many Christians live and die strankey to some heart no one else can open. It must be done by us or it is not done at all. As Christ came for our sakes we ought to go for His sake. Now these views come to me suggested by the text, yet there is more in it than I know. I have never been able to solve it. All see something of this know something He has done. But the riches of His glory are beyond my comprehension. I had a friend who preached once on the love of God and its unfathomable nature. He used this figure. He brought a sounding line and reached away down and said, "So

FRESH . SERMONS. Always have a sermon on hand; do not be content with the work of the past. The itineracy offers a strong temptation to this, and the temptation is increased by the multitude of duties incident to our circuit arrangements. To yield to this temptation is to sink and fail. The continued repetition of a sermon from which the life has departed is an injury to our-Ministers' Rest Fund if I could perold sermons and begin afresh. This can hardly be done; but making new sermons will wonderfully reinvigorate the old ones. See to it that your sermons be characterized by variety, freshness and life. If you make the Bible your storehouse you will easily succeed in this. Look at the Puritans and look at our Methodist forefathers, and you will find this gloriously illustrated. Look at William Jay of the last generation, and Charles Hadden and responsibility would this lift from Spargeon in the present. They breathed an atmosphere of Scripture, his will. Casting all our care up on and it pervades all their thoughts and day School Times. him, living or dying, we should be the

out, "More line!" "More line!"

He had not line enough to measure the

depth of the love of God. I am not

able to describe it all, but, thank God,

you and I have all eternity to try our

line. - Bishop Simpson, in October Pul-

words. Their sermons throb with Biblical life. You will find that attention to visiting will greatly assist you in this work. The variety of experience that you will meet with will suggest a constant variety of subjects, while illustrations full of point and beauty will be suggested in abundance.—Charles Garrett.

CHRISTIAN LIBERALITY.

At the reopening of the Metropolitan Tabernacle, Mr. Spurgeon said : Many people supposed that there was very little work in addressing a large congregation, that a preacher had only to come, and speak, and that the sermon came like water out of a pump; whereas when it did come out like that it was nothing but water. There were many who wandered about and took the Gospel for nothing, although, by the bye, he should think they did not get much out of it, whereas it should be a delight to everyone to aid it according as God had prospered them. He sometimes thought of the money Christian people could afford to give because they had not the expenses of ungodly people. They lost nothing on races, they had no box at the opera to pay for, and they did not have the incalculable expenses of vice. With regard to dress, no doubt a good many Christian women required a good deal of dress, and did not dress as they should. He had read a story of a mistress who saw her black servant in a new dress, and said to her, "Chloe, you have a new dress." "Yes, mistress," was the answer "but I hab only got six now, and I am saving up to buy another." "Why, you have twice as many as I have, said her mistress. "Yes," was the answer, "you are a lady, and don't want dressee fine ; but if I don't dressee fine they will think me one of the common niggers." There were some Christian friends who would never be mistaken for common folk. It was particularly necessary at the present time to support the good work they had in hand. He was reminded of the story of the man who knocked mystery, see something of this love, loudly at a street door. Somebody put his head out of a window above and said. "What do you want ?" The answer was, "They have no knocker next door, so I had to knock at yours ers, whose benignant spray covers the uncommonly hard to wake them up." He was afraid he knew too many Churches which had no knocker, and many fathoms." Another expression, if they did not knock hard they would 'So many fathoms," and then cried not succeed in waking them up.

UNUTTERABLE PRAYER.

There are times, when men's thoughts naturally take the form of words and arrange themselves in or- God for my griefs and afflictions."derly sentences. There are other Advance. times when no words can reveal the thoughts, but when a look might convey what a volume could not contain. So it is in regard to prayer. Sometimes our ideas find easy utterance : again they struggle at the door of a full heart and can not find exit. So Esther stood silent before her lord. disclosing only by her wistful presence all her trust and entreaty. So it is told of the devout Benge', when he selves and a wrong to the people to spread out his hand before God, as whom we minister. One of our he turned from his Bible to retire to wealthy men offered me \$500 for the rest, and simply murmured: "Lord it is all understood between us." And suade all the ministers to burn their so may we all, if we will turn our hearts to him to whom our hearts are known, and offer our unutterable longings for His ineffable gifts of love and peace. "And in like manner the Spirit also helpeth our infirmity; for we know not what to pray for as we ought; but the Spirit himself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." There is no moment so busy, no place so crowded, but that this form of prayer is then and there possible, and thus it is that expected nothing but trembling and we may obey the charge of the Apos- terror, anguish and dismay); "tl ere." tle, "Pray without ceasing."-Sun- says the Psalmist, "did we rejoice in

THE CONVENIENT SEASON.

When shall the convenient season come? When a misspent life is drawing to its close, and the conscience has been seared as with a hot iron; when the will has lost its power of moral choice, and all purer and nobler desires have long since died away-will that be a convenient season ?

When shall it be? When age has bowed your form and robbed you of your manly vigor; when you have no onger any thing left to devote to God's service, or any time wherein to erve him; when, shriveled and withered by the wintry blasts, you are swept away like a seared leaf by the December blasts-driven away in your wickedness-will that be a convenient eason ?

When shall it be? When sickness sys you on a dying bed, and the body racked with mortal pains; when neart and flesh are failing; when the head is dizzy and the eye dim; when the fevered lips refuse to form the utterance of prayer, and the disordered mind can no longer exercise its powers of thought-will that be a convenient

When shall it be? When death lays his cold hand upon you in stern arrest, and the cold dew stands on your brow; when the body, like a worn out machine, refuses any longer to do its work; when the world rolls away from under your feet, and the realities of eternity start forth upon your terrified spirit-will that be a convenient

O, my brothers, my brothers! are your names written in the Lamb's book of life? If you have no reason to know that they are, then let this Christian in the 'Pilgrim's Progress. Life! Lafe! Life! Eternal Life! Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." -Rev. W. H. M. Aitken.

In the Canton of Bern, in the Swiss Oberland, rushes a mountain stream toward the yalley as if it would carry destruction among the villages below. But, leaping from a sheer precipice of nearly nine hundred feet in height, it is caught in the clutch of the winds and sifted in fine, soft showfields with perpetual green. Many a sorrow, Christian friend, may be such a torrent to you. It may bedew you with meekness, patience, heavenlymindedness. In the grand and glorious vocation of building, as Christ shall help you, a perfected Christian character, it will do what no dazzle of prosperity will effect. And when, in the life to come, your eyes open to ace all things in their true values, you may cry in grateful ecstasy, "Thank

We say the world is dying-what for? Sermons? No. Periodicals? No. Religious stories? O! dear no. Thore is no chance of a want of them for many long years to come. Dying for disquisitions? No. For fine spun theories? For creeds and faiths? O! you might have them by the dozen. What is it dying for ?-downright, honest, loving, earnest testimony of what God can do for souls. That is what it wants."-Mrs. Caiherine Booth.

"You never get to the end of Christ's words," said Dean Stanley. There is comething in them always behind. They pass into proverbs, they pass into laws, they pass into doctrines, they pass into consolations; but they never pass away, and after all the use that is made of them, they are still not exhausted."

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#### OUR HOME CIRCLE.

THE PASSING OF SUMMER.

The summer wanes—the noontide shadows A little farther to the north each day ; And I half fancy that a mystic call
Is wasted hither from the Far Away—

A loving message to these golden hours,

To call them back to their celestial home There to await in river bordered bowers, To be our Eden in the life to come.

Yet not so much by outward signs do we Perceive that Summer's drawing to a cle As by this sacred calm, which silently Proclaims it Nature's season of repose.

For Nature loves to pause and meditate Upon her works when the last leaf is made Maintaining it awhile in perfect shape Before allowing it to droop and fade.

So now with many golden plans perchance, And happy visions of the coming time, She looks abroad upon a wide expanse Of life full-rounded into perfect prime.

Beside the streams the flags and rushes stand, Upon the hills the plum'd and bannered maize. And towering high, the forests green and Reach far through silence many ways.

Some spots of yellow and pale scarlet show Amid the green that roofs the squirrel's

As if a cloud, touched by the sunset's glow, Had wrecked above and scattered fragments

-M. Faraway.

#### INCIDENTS OF AN EARTH-QUAKE.

Rev. Dr. Vernon, of Rome, gives in the Central Christian Advocate some touching incidents of the earthquake at Casamicciola:

A cradle and child, which were high up in a hotel, after the wreck of the building were found on the ground floor, the cradle lodg. ed over the mouth of a well, the child safe in the cradle! Even a child is " of more value than many sparrows." In Villa Belijazzi two little children, Matilda and Edward, were in bed: a part of the floor where their bed stood remained in place and only a part of the roof over them fell. The little boy carefully removed the rubbish which had tallen upon his little sister, and the following morning they were found placidly sleeping. A little girl of twelve summers, Adelina Onorato, after liberating herself with much difficulty from where she was more than half buried, finally tearing herself loose from a part of her clothing held fast by tricated her mother, and then a brother of ten badly wounded. She called again and again to her father, but, aias, he answered not. She then dragged mother and brother upon the only standing wall of the villa and there remained two hours calling for belp, promising assistance in return. Finally an unhappy villager, seeking in vain his own children not far away, took pity on the child and going with a ladder rescued the little heroine and her precious trophies. Once upon the ground, she left mother and brother at a safe spot and faithfully went with her deliverer, doing her utmost to help him. Though finding not whom they sought, they rescued two women.

On July 31st a corporal of the sharpshooters, hearing a voice under the ruins within a house, some walls of which were tottering to a fall, dashed into the midst of the imminent peril and began excavating. Having dug a sort of narrow well into the ruins as far as he could reach, he then had his feet held by other soldiers, while, with his head downward. he worked on deepening the aperture. He finally touched a head yet warm and distinguished a woman's voice. He was weary, exhausted, but continued, toiling on. Now and then being drawn up, he took breath, rested a moment allowing the blood to flow back from his head to the extremities, and then resumed his heroic task. a beautiful and elegant young woman and, though in extreme ex-

spective marriage.

For once the theater proved comparatively safe place, as most of those assembled there escaped unhurt, the building being wooden; but even here, as often, its frivolous gaiety seems more mad than merry, and its comedy a mere prelude to a real tragedy. By a bitter stroke of providential irony the first scene of that evening's entertainment was precisely a parody on the fears excited by an earthquake! The first symptoms of the real earthquake were even thought by many, as one told me who was present, to be parts of the player's tricks. But the grotesquely costumed clown had but fairly begun his too daring pantomime, when the terrific shock snuffed out the coarse merriment of stage and pit, turning their boisterous laughter into desperate cries and tears. The comic buffoon escaped as he was and the next day entered Naples in his stage gear. Half-frozen with fear, wrung and shriveled by anxiety and hunger until as dry of wit as a husk, the next evening in his ludicrous trappings rumpled and soiled he presented a striking contrast with the poor villagers, wounded and dying, among whom he silently disembarked—an ob-

ject of pity rather than of laugh-

A week after the earthquake,on the mail ship Umbria plying between Naples and Ischia occurred the following touching scene: The vessel halted just a few yards off the little island of Procida to take on the mail. As the splendid panorama spread away before the be. Nights." It will be evident, holder, the pilot pointing out a little red house with a single bal- of interest as regards its scientific cony, upon which stood a woman aspects. clothed in mourning, gave this recital: "That woman was the wife of the captain of this vessel, the lament Colonna, who perished ac Casamicciola, while supping in a hotel a few minutes after landing there from his own vessel. Every time the Umbria, in her daily trips, halts at Procida that woman is there on the balcony to greet, to salute the ship once commanded by her husband. She salutes it waving her handkerchief and never leaves the balcony until the vessel disappears from sight." Said the pilot, "the captain, every time he passed there morning and evening, used to blow the whistle as soon as the ship massive stones, then went search- halted, and then his young wife ing in the dark for the family. came to the balcony with her lit-After several hours work she ex- the children in her arms. He sa luted them, exchanged with them a few kinds words, some of which were stolen by the wind, sent them little presents and occasionally went to see them while the ship was anchored at Casamicciola. Now that her husband sleeps beneath the ruins, that woman, as the Umbria, in her daily and monotonous postal trips, passes before the island, is there, poor thing, every day morning and evening at her balcony! And yesterday, mail, lifted anchor, she was wavished behind the island. She will end by becoming insane," concluded the pilot in his rough Sicilian dialect, as he went on whirling his wheel.

### MADAGASCAR.

The Island of Madagascar, which is exciting just now considerable attention in both England and France, appears to rise, says a writer in The Nineteenth Century, like a huge sea monster out of the waters. It has a remarkably compact and regular outline; for many hundred miles its eastern shore is almost a straight line, but on its northwestern side it is indented by a number of deep landlocked gulfs, which include some of the finest harbors in the world. tion. But no. Gauged even at About a third of its interior to the this low ebb, the sense and soul north and east is occupied by an of womanhood held true. The Finally after weary hours, the elevated mountainous region, Romanist woman voted for the person was so freed that, grasping raised from 3,000 to 5,000 feet her under the arms he lifted her above the sea, and consisting of out of her living tomt, after sixty primary rocks—granite, gneiss, odd hours of sepulture. She was and basalt-probably very ancient land and forming during the secondary geological epoch an island haustion, almost entirely unburt. much smaller than the Madagas-The gallant soldier, taking her in | car of to-day. While the colitic ernment must be in harmony, and his arms, carried her a mile away and chalk rocks of England were elected with the expectation of to the landing where she embark- being slowly laid down under the enforcing the law. ed for the hospital in Naples. The | northern seas the extensive coast poor girl was quite overcome by plains of Madagascar, especially her emotions; she gazed with on its western and southern sides, gratefil admiration upon her were again and again under water, brave deliverer and offered him a and are still raised only a few diamond ring from her own fin- hundred feet above the sea level. ger. But the corporal refused it, From southeast to north and and while refusing wept; indeed northwest there extends a band of careless—careless in hearing, carethey all wept together. The in- extinct volcanoes, connected protrepid soldier is cultured and of a bably with the old craters of the repeating what is said to them. noble family without estates. The Comoro group, where, in Great These well meaning but reckless sequel to this real episode, as Comoro, the subterranean forces people do more machief than now-commonly reported, is a pro- are still series. All around the those will intentionally

forest, varying from ten to forty miles in width, and containing fine timber and valuable gums and other vegetable wealth-a paradise for botanists, where rare orchids, the graceful traveller's-tree. the delicate lattice-leaf plant, the gorgeous flamboyant, and muny other elsewhere unknown forms of life abound, and where doubtless much still awaits fuller research.

While the flora of Madagascar

is remarkably abundant, its fauna is strangly limited, and contains none of the various and plentiful forms of mammalian life which make Southern and Central Africa the paradise of sportsmen. The ancient land of the island has preserved antique forms of life; many species of lemur make a pre-eminent duty. the forest resound with their cries; and these with the curious and highly specialized aye-aye, and peculiar species of viverridæ and insectivora, are probably "survivors" of an Old-World existence, when Madagascar was one of an archipelago of large is-lands like the Seychelles and Mascarene groups, or coral banks and atolls like the Chagos, Amirante, and others which are slowly disappearing beneath the ocean. Until two or three hundred years ago, the coast plains of Madagascar were trodden by the great struthious bird, the Æpyornis, apparently the most gigantic member of the avi-fauna of the world, and whose enormous eggs probably gave rise to the story of the Rukh of the "Arabian therefore, that Madagascar is full

#### TRIFLES.

What will it matter in a little while We met and gave a word, a touch, a smile, Upon the way ?

What will it matter whether hearts we brave And lives were true; That you gave me the sympathy I crave,

As I gave you? These trifles! Can it be they make or mar A hum in life?

Are souls as lightly swayed as rushes are By love or strife? Yea, yea! a look the fainting heart may break

And just one word, if said for love's sweet May save a soul! -May Riley Smith.

### WOMEN ON THE LIQUOR

In Des Moines, Iowa, as a test of popular feeling, the women voted on the license question, twelve declaring in favor of saloons and eight hundred against them. In Newton, Iowa, at an election ordered by the council, 172 men voted for license to 319 againstnot two to one against it; while the women's vote stood one in favor to 394 against licensing saloons. In Kirkville, Mo., ten fawhen the ship, after receiving the vored the liquor traffic, twenty declined to declare themselves. ing her handkerchief more ear- and five hundred wanted " no nestly than ever, and I saw her license." In the Illinois camstill waving it until the ship van- paign, which resulted in 95,000 names of women who expressed their wish to vote against saloons. not one woman in ten declined to affix her name to the petition.

Tried under the most unfavorable circumstances, in the face of what has been thought an insurmountable obstacle, the result has been the same. In the town of Chevenne, called "Wicked Cheyenne," from its low moral status. there was an election for sheriff, the choice being between a Roman Catholic drinker and a Protestant temperance man. It was confidently expected that the vote of the Roman Catholic women would carry the day for the candidate of their denomination, and popular opinion would certainly have borne out such an expectatemperance man, Protestant though he was.

We have always believed that the temperance cause will never triumph till women have the bal-We think the above proves lot. it. Still, all departments of gov-

### HABIT OF UNTRUTH.

Some men seem to have a constitutional inability to tell the truth. They may not mean to lie or tell an untruth, but they are less in understanding, careless in island runs a girdle of dense strife bydeliberate filmshood. Latters of Elizabeth Prenties.

is no firebrand like the well-meaning busybody, who is continually in search of scandal, and by sheer habit misquotes every body's state-

This carelessness is a sin of no small magnitude. A man's duty to God and his fellows requires him to be careful; for what else were brains and common sense given him? Of course, that other class, the malignant scandalmongers, who take a fiendish pleasure in promoting strife, who deliberately garble mens' words and twist their sentiments, is in the minority, and people have a very decided opinion regarding them. Most men misrepresent because they don't seem to think that care in speaking the truth is Than that our God his face should hide.

The effects of this careless misrepresenting of others are seen everywhere. Its effect on the individual is to confirm him into a habit of loose, distorted and exaggerated statement, until telling the truth becomes a moral impossibility. No other thing causes so many long-standing friendships to be broken, so many dissensions in churches, so much bitterness in communities and so much evil everywhere. It is an abuse that calls for the rebuke of every henorable man-a rebuke that should be given not only in words whenever occasion demands, but by example. The Persians were said to teach their youths three things -to ride, to draw the bow, and to speak the truth. A little more instruction on this latter head would do no harm to our "advanced civilization."-Ex. and Chronicle.

#### ON THE MOUNT.

Though I am not, just now, in the furnace as you are, there is no knowing how soon I shall be, and I remember well enough how the furnace feels to have deep sympathy with you in your trials. Sympathy, but not regret; I can't make myself be very sorry for Christ's disciples when he takes them in hand. He does it so tenderly, so wisely, so lovingly; and it can hardly be true-can it? -that he is just as near and dear to me when my cup is full of earthly blessings as it can hold, as he is to you whose cup he is emptying. I have always thought they knew and loved him best who knew him in his character of | Q. How many arrests and comchastiser; but perhaps one never mitments to the city prison by the loses the memory of his revelations of himself in that form, and perhaps that tender memory saddens and hallows the day of prosperity. At any rate, you and seem to be in full sympathy: your empty cup is not empty, and my full one would be bitter if love to Christ did not sweeten it. It matters very little on what paths we are walking, since we find him in every one. How ashamed we shall be when we get to heaven of for cost of police, courts and our talk about our trials here! Why don't we sing songs instead? We know how, for he has put the songs into our mouths. I think I know something about the land of Beulah, but I do not quite live in ate a business which requires an it vet; and yet what is this joy, if it is not a foretaste of that which is to come? It is not joy in what he has done for me, a sinner, but adoring joy for what he is, though I do not begin to know what he is! It will take

eternity to learn that lesson! I wish I could put into words all the blessed thoughts I had last side of the bottomless pit? A. week about God's dear will; it was a week of such sweet content with the work he gave me to do. Naturally, I hate nursing, and losing the air makes me feel unwell; but what cannot God do with us? I love dearly to have a Master. I fancy that those who have strong wills are the ones to enjoy God's sovereignty most. I wonder if you realize what a very happy creature I am, and how much too good God is to me? I do not see how he can heap such mercies on a poor sinner, but that Soft blues, pinks, greens, and yelling his cane in his fingers, and only shows how little I know him, lows were blent in the long strip laughing at the "old man's no-But I am learning to know him, she was knitting until it looked tions." A few years later, and and shall go on learning for ever like a rich ribbon. Little Lucy that lad, grown to manhood, stood and ever, and so will you. I am not sure that it is best for us, once safe and secure on the Rock of Ages, to ask ourselves too closely what this and that experience may signify. Is it not better to be thinking of the Rock, not of the yours?" feet that stand upon it? It seems to me that we ought to be Mary, pausing a moment and to my parents. I thought I knew unconscious of ourselves, and that closing her eyes to rest them. ""I the nearer we get to Christ, the more we shall be taken up with the day little Ted was born. How as soon as I turned my back on him. We shall be like a sick man who, after he gets well, forget: all the old symptoms he used to talk "Why, Ted is eight months old, hurried me to ruin." Mark that so much of, and stops teeling his and has three teeth, and you have confession, ye boys who are beginpulse, and just enjoys his health, en't got it done yet. I should ning to be wiser than your paronly pointing out his physician to think you would be tired of the eats! Mark it, and learn that all who are dispased .- L .. and sight fit."

NO TIME TO PRAY.

No time to pray!

O, who so fraught with earthly care
As not to give to humble prayer Some part of day ?

No time to gray ! What heart so clean, so pure within, That needeth not some check from sin, Needs not to pray ?

No time to pray! 'Mid each day's danger what retreat More needful than the mercy seat? Who need not pray?

No time to pray! Must care or business' urgent So press us as to take it all? Each passing day?

No time to pray! Then sure your record falleth short; Excuse will fail you as resort, On that last day.

And say, through all life's swelling tide No time to hear ! Cease not to pray; On Jesus as your all rely. Would you live happy—happy die?

Take time to pray.

### A SAD CATECHISM.

Question. What is the population of the city of New York. Answer. 1,206,299.

Q. How many places of religious worship in the city? A. 489

Q. How much annually required for their support? A. \$3,000. Q. On an equal division, how

many men, women, and children to each? A. 2,466.

Q. How much annually spent in theatres and other publicamusements? A. \$7,000,000; or more than twice the amount for the support of the churches.

Q. How many liquor drinking places in the city? A. 6,075 licensed and more than 1,000 unlicensed; over 10,000. Q. How much annually spent in

them? A. \$60,000,000 or twenty times more than the support of the churches. Q, How many grog shops to

every 120 men, women and children? A. One. Q. How many men, women and children to every church? A 2.468. One church for every 2,-

466, and one grog shop for every

1201 Q. How many stores for the sale of food ? A. 7.326.

Q. How many more-grog shops than food stores. A. 2,674.

police in 1882? A. 44,578. Q. How many of these were of intemperate habits? A. 33,432, or three-tourths of the whole num-

Q. How much did the city treasury receive as fees for the licensure of these 9,075 drinking places in 1882? A. \$500,000.

Q. How much did the city treasury expend during the same time charities, directly and indirectly, chargeable the liquor-traffic? A \$9,000,000.

Q. Is it a wise municipal economy to license, patronize or tolerexpenditure of eighteen dollars for every one received? A. Such is the opinion and practice of some.

O. What about the crimes of violence, the destitution, the neglect, the tears, the sorrows, the wretchedness, the lost hopes, the lost souls and woes occasioned by this losing, blackest business this What do the liquor dealers, the patrons of the grog shops and their apologists care for all that is involved in such questions?

### OUR YOUNG POLKS.

ONE STITCH AT A TIME.

Aunt Mary sat with her kniting in her hands. Her needles were large and white, and her to go and when to stop." The worsteds were gray and brilliant. | lad left his father's house, twirlwatched it with delighted eyes.

Mary, I wish I were old enough to crime in which he had been conmake an aighan like that. How cerned. Before he was sentenced long have you been knitting he addressed the court, and said,

"Let me think," said Aunt began this sofa-quilt for your papa did, and I spurned his advice; but long ago is that?"

take me about a year," Aunt Mary placidly answered, "and I have not been in a bit of a hurry. I knew that if I took one stitchata time and kept on, after awhile I would finish my work if my life. was spared. But you are sitting there with idle hands. Would you not like to begin a little afg. han for your doll?

"I would love to," answered Lucy. "I will begin this afternoon, if mother will let me."

She ran to ask her mother's permission. Presently back she came, bringing a little work-box and a very rueful face.

" Mamma says she is afraid I will do with the afghan just as I have done with these things, which she wants me to show you. She wants me to finish these before I begin anything new. Aunt Mary, won't you ask her to let me burn these rag-tags and bobtails up? Please do. Mamma does whatever you advise."

The kind old face wore a look of mingled love and pity as the lady surveyed the little girl's unfinished attempts at plain and fancy needle-work. There was a doll's dress. nearly done; a tidy for sister Kate's chair, with "K A. T." finished and half the fringe ravelled out; there was a pair of mits for Ted with one thumb remaining to be knit; there was a bead purse set up; there was a bookmark with "Holy Bi-" worked upon it in embroidery silk; and there was a pockethandkerchief, with a wreath stamped in one corner ready for marking. Besides these, there were three pairs of kid gloves needing to be repaired.

"A month's work, Aunt Mary," said Lucy, with a deep sigh. "Yes, my pet; but only one stitch at a time, and they will be all off your hands and out of your way in a little while. Why, darling, since I have seen this box and found out what a seamstress you are, I have given up my thoughts of a doll's afghan for you; and now we will make a bargain. If you set to work at once, without any delay, and every day do a little on some one of these articles, you will soon have an empty box, instead of a full one to reproach you. Then I will present you with plenty of worsted to make a sofa quilt like n.ine, and you may begin a real one-

full size." "It will take for ever and ever to finish it."

"Not forever and ever. I dislike your school-girl habit of exaggeration, dear. It violates the truth. It will probably take you, with your studies and your varions duties, about two years, but it will be a splendid discipline for you. One stitch at a time, and the work will look out for itself."

Last month I saw Lucy's beautiful completed quilt at a fair, and every one who examined it gladly gave a dollar toward making it a present to the dear wife of the pastor. The money amounted to fifty dollars, and was sent to India to educate a young girl in one of the caste schools. And Lucy will be the stronger and better herlife through for having learned the lesson practically that one stitch at a time, faithfully taken, amounts in the end to a thing worth the having done.

### "I KNOWA THING OR TWO."

" My dear boy," said a father

to his only son, "you are in bad company. The lads with whom you associate indulge in bad! habits. They drink, smoke, swear, play cards, and visit theaters. They are not safe company for you. I beg you to quit their society." "You needn't be afraid of me; father," replied the boy, laughing. "I guess I know a thing or two. I know how far at the bar of a court, before a jury "It is just like my Roman which had just brought in a versash," she said. "Oh, Aunt dict of guilty against him for someamong other things: "My downward course began in disobedience as much of the world as my father my home, temptation came upon "A long time," said Lucy. me like a drove of hyenas, and disobe ce is the first stop on "I supposed, little girl, it would the road to ruin. Don't take it!

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OCT. 21, 1883. ASKING A KING.

1 SAMURL 8, 1 10. 1. When Samuel was old he made his sons Judges over Israel" (verse

1). Probably he appointed them to
those circuit duties he had previously
performed himself. Their central place of judgment was Beersheba. But they walked not in his ways;" that which has always been the greatest temptation of judges was the snare into which they fell. They perverted judgment for the sake of bribes. Such corruption of justice has always been, and still is the disgrace of Eastern governments. At last the elders of Israel came to Samuel at Ramah with complaints respecting the conduct of his sons. It should be noted that he is not blamed for their misconduct as Eli had been. We inter therefore, what all we know of Samuel's character would lead us to suppose, that he had trained them right, and exercised all the authority over them he could. It is a sad thing when sons bring trouble on aged fathers, even when the fathers are in fault, but much sadder when the fathers are blameless.

This misconduct gave the Israel ites a pretence for making a request which they had no doubt long cherished. They wanted a king. It had been predicted (Deut. xvii. 14;) and the reason they now expressed to Samuel is exactly that mentioned by Moses-they wanted to be like the other nations (verses 5-20). The nations which had kings had evidently made an impression upon the pre-viously simple-minded Israelites. They coveted the regal splendor they had seen elsewhere, with the pomp and parade, and gaieties of a court. They also wished for a better organized military system, and a king to lead their armies to battle. Their desire for a king was a desire of worldly ambition, and a sign of degeneracy in those whose highest ambition ought to have been satisfied in being the Lord's chosen people. But, no doubt, the real cause of wishing for a king lay deeper than any-thing avowed. In this request they rejected the Lord from being their king [verse 7]. He had been their King in a much higher sense than any man could be. He had brought them out of Egypt, led them through the wilderness, overcome their foes, and wrought out great deliverances for them-but against one condition of his Kingship they and their prosperity was made to depend upon that. This was really crease, as its use is extending far the yoke they wished to throw off, and in this respect their conduct was but typical of human nature generally.

2. The request of the Israelites " was evil in the eyes of Samuel". He saw clearly all that was involved in it; but was too judicious to give any reply until he had prayed to the Lord. What a blessing if men in official positions always remembered to do this before giving decisions. Samuel was instructed not to yield to the wishes of the people without a solemn protest. This he delivered in forcible terms, pointing out all that would follow from their having a king. His words contain a graphic description of the despotic character of Oriental governments, not only as in ancient times, but as they still exist. These sovereigns claim a right to the services of any of their subjects at pleasure, and a person cannot refuse to accept any office even though contrary both to his inclina-tions and interests, But reasoning and persuasion were all in vain; they had made up their minds, and were not thus to be turned from their purpose. The conduct of the Israelites on this and other occasions reminds us very much of wilful and way-

Hoses, "I gave them a king in Mine anger" (Hosea xiii. 11). To grant their request was the most fitting and appropriate punishment for their sin, and in many of the consequences it proved the greatest punishment they could have received. It has often been the case since, that God has in anger granted requests which never ought to have been made. It is a very bitter experience for any when God answers their prayers in anger. No sin can be greater than that of rejecting the Lord from being our King.

DAILY SAVINGS. But few people are aware of the results to be accomplished in a series of years by the habit of saving a small amount each day and putting it to interest. Many persons spend these small amounts on unnecessary and useless luxuries; and because each amount is small, they fail to take any particular notice of it, and utterly fail to estimate the aggregate of such spendings during the course of life. In this way many a man spends a fortune without knowing kept poor. Most people in this counthem would have a competency if living to old age, instead of being de-

pendent on the charity of others. We submit the following table to show what would be the result at the end of fifty years by saving a certain amount each day and putting it to interest at the rate of six per cent.

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Sixty cents,
Seventy cents,
Eighty cents,
Ninety cents,
One dollar,
Five dollars,
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Ten dollars, Twenty dollars, 1.900.312 00 2,8 1,218 00 8.8 1,624 00 4,752,030 00

The daily saving of sums intermediate between these named in the above table would of course yield similar proportionate results. invite our readers to study this table with care. There is no man, woman or child living to whom it would not convey a very important practical lesson. The fact is, the miseries. poverty, the beggary, and sad want that prevail among men, especially in this country, spring very largely from their prodigality. They manage to consume as they go along all their income, whether from business or wages; and hence they are always poor, thousands of them never being worth enough to pay their funeral charges. A great many fortunes that might have been saved are lost in this way. If the entire body of society were to act on their principle, it would be in a state of permanent pauperism, consuming as it goes along all the products of its industry, and hence living from hand to mouth. The only reason why that is not true of all is that a portion of the people do not consume all they earn or produce; and hence they have a surplus which goes to make the aggregate of the general wealth.—N. Y. Independent.

USEPUL HINTS.

Keep the feet always warm and the head cool. Disease and death begin at the feet more commonly than we

Make the hole for transplanting wider and deeper than the ball of the tree, and partly refill it with good mellow soil, it will give a better chance to the rootlets and radicles, for an immediate start,

Near any large city a pond of clear water is worth more for its crop of continually rebelled. While the Lord was their King they were expected to be a righteous nation area of average farm land. The

It is a curio sometimes take fire, as is supposed, by the chemical action of the wax upon the material of which the nest s composed. Many of the fires of unknown origin in hay stacks and farm buildings may thus be account-

Ignorant people often think to break up a cold by the free use of spirits. It is a dangerous experiment, tor if there is any degree of inflammation, which is most generally the case, strong liquor, in place of re-moving, will be sure to increase the trouble, and is very liable to induce inflammatory fever.

The question is often asked by careful mothers, "What will remove grass stains from children's clothing?" An exchange says that simply wetting and rubbing the stained cloth in cold water will remove all traces of the grass. Fruit stains will disappear on the application of boiling hot water. No soap should be used in either case.

A child's bed should slope a little ward children.

3. The Lord though displeased with them, instructed Samuel to grant their request. The reason is grant their request. The reason is the head on a pillow. This makes the child round shouldered, cramps the child round shouldered, cramps and arteries, and interferes from the head to the foot, so that the with the free circulation of the bleod. Even when the child is several years old the pillow should be thin, and made of hair, not of feathers.

> The fruit put up in tin cans should be taken out when the can is opened for use. If allowed to remain after the can is opened, the action of acid juices upon the tin when exposed to the air may form acetate of tin, which is poisonous. Pour the fruit out into glass or earthenware dishes, and the danger of poisoning is avoided. This acetate will not form while the air is excluded.

> One of the satest and best ways to send a tew choice cut flowers to a distant friend is to cut slits in potatoes and insert the flower stems. taking care that they are firmly fastened in and supported by a little cotton or paper. An ordinary potato will keep most flowers fresh for two weeks or more in a moderate temperature. Potatoes can also be used in floral decorations through being

disguised by leaves and flowers. Several young men at the Massait; and in this way too, the poor are chussetts Agricultural College have entered heartily into the promising try who enjoy an average degree of experiment in process of trial as that health, and who are industrious, earn institution—the letting of small lots, at least a small surplus beyon their in some cases so much as as acre necessary expenses; and, if they or more, to individual students for would save this surplus and put it to interest, they would find in the end a much larger accumulation than them. Generally two work together, and is far sale by all dragmets at 25 cts. they had anticipated. Thousands of and corn, carrots, and early potatoes, a bottle.

Loss and Gain. CHAPTER I.

" I was taken sick a year ago With bilious fever."

"My doctor pronounced me cured, but I get sick again, with terrible pains in my back and sides, and I got so bad I Could not move!

I shrunk! From 228 lbs. to 120 ! I had been doc toring for my liver, but it did me no good. I did not expect to live more than three months. I began to use Hop Bitters. Directly my appetite returned, my pains left me, my entire system seemed renewed as if by magic, and after using several bottles I am not only as sound as a sovereign but weigh more than I did be-

fore. To Hop Bitters I owe my life."

Dublin, June 6, '81. B. FITZPATRICE.

How to Get Sick.—Expose yourself day and night; eat too much without exercise; work too hard without rest; doctor all the time; take all the vile nestrums advertised, and then you will want to know now to gat wall, which is answered in three words—Take Hop Bitters!

CHAPTER II.

Malden, Mass., Feb. 1, 1880. Gentlemen-suffered with attacks of sick headache." Negralgia, female trouble, for years

in the most terrible and excruciating manner. No medicine or doctor could give me relief or cure until I used Hop Bitters.

"The first bottle Nearly cured me : The second made me as well and

strong as when a child. " And I have been so to this day." My husband was an invalid for twenty years with a serious

Kidney, liver, and urinary com plaint, " Pronounced by Boston's best physicians-" Incurable !"

Seven bottles of your bitters cured him and I know of the

"Lives of eight persons"
In my neighborhood that have been saved by your bitters. And many more are using them with great benefit.

They almost Do miracles!"

-Mrs. E. D. Slack.

Man is an animal that cooks his

For toothache, burns, cuts, rheums-tism, use Perry Davis' Pain Killer. See Some land in the city of London was

lately sold at the rate of \$3,000,000 an

A Mineapolis man has paid \$3,000 for medical treatment on account of a bite by his dog, and yet has not sought satis-

action by killing the beast. The Empress of Russia has just ordered a clock of mble fur trimmed with gold and enriched with precious stones, the whole cost being placed at \$43,000.

The workmen's cause suffers more from the character of the men whom they select as leaders, than from all strikes or dissentions among them-

GOT HIM OUT OF BED .- I was confined to my bed with Rheumatism, could not move hand or foot. A clergyman called to see me and advised me to use Minard's Liniment. I did so, and in 3 days was out of bed and resumed my work as well as ever-

JAMES LANGILLE. Springfield, Annapl's Co., '82. m2 ly

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MOTHERS! MOTHERS! MOTHERS! Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cut-ting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup." It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately, depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it, who will tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and give rest to the mother, and relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Sold everywhere. 25 cts. a bottle,

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AT HOME AGAIN.

A desire for Summer travel has become a modern mania. Its victims are numberless. They are seized with the fidgets in June, they fret and fume if July be spent at home, and lose their appetite if August finds them in former quarters. If their home be in the city they long for the country; if in the country they go to the city, or, more foolish still, go steaming from point to point leaving comfort behind them all the while. This mania is a mystery to the contented few who remember that early life within narrow limits was so little like prison life that they would scarcely have found it any hardship to copy the man described by Robert Pollok, who steadily "lived where his father lived and died where his father died."

This Summer migration is not always to be termed " Summer foolishness." If men will live at fever-heat, the railway too slow, the telegram restlessly awaited, the telephone robbing them of the step to their neighbor's office with its breath of fresh air; if women will worry needlessly over their children, and double work for fashion's sake, and in the staffe for appearances set at naught nature's great remedy-sleep; if youth must mingle the excitement of pleasure at midnight with the studies of the school; it may be well that these should have a chance to make up if possible the almost suicidal loss. Some there are to whom such Summer flight is a pressing need-the wearied mother, the worn out seamstress, the imprisoned invalid. Some one tells of London child who at first sight shrank with fright from a tree in the country, in whose waving branches she seemed to see only a threat of some punishment. Too often, however, the really wearied, the truly needy, are those to whom flight is an impossibility. Blessings, we say, upon those who in the neighboring republic are giving to the children of the crowded cities those Summer excursions which are like life

nearly all at home again. Just now, when the later fruits are being pulled, when our forests have put on their brightest tints, when tree and shrub and fern glisten with autumn frosts in the early morning sun like some gorgeous carpet on Nature's grand scale, only one lingers here and there among scenes of beauty to see which were worth crossing the ocean, while hundreds and thousands have gone back to the toils and the trifles of daily ordinary life, in ignorance, perhaps, of their loss.

We congratulate the men and women and children who have returned kome with bright eye and more elastic step; but there is another standard by which to measure improvement. "Beloved," wrote St. John, to a friend, "I wish above all things that thou mayest be in health and prosper, even as thy soul prospereth.' To soul prosperity summer absences involve peril. Prayer may be restrained. Some one asks the pertinent question, "Who prays on board a steamboat?" The spirit of worship may be weakened. To worship God in the fields, by some babbling brook, may sound well in theory, but from David's day to this true Christians have regarded Christian fellowship as one grand element of Christian worship. "We forget so soon," we sometimes sing. The distance of the country sanctuary, the arrival of friends for the Sabbath, the strangeness of the surroundings, may all weaken habits of church-attendance that have known no relaxation at home. A ten thousand times more important question than that of the purse is whether we have wandered from God and giv en our religion a vacation. Let the question be met and let it be answered in the secret place.

The pastor and the congregation are met again. Vacaut seats are filled. absent voices heard once more. Thankfulness then should rule the heart and lead all to harmonious and earnest service. There is need of earnestness. If the Churches have slackened their effort in the heated season, we have yet to hear of a saloon that went into summer quarters. Satan does not suspend activities in dog days. If in some cities the worshipper has passed the closed door of a sanctuary on the Sabbath morning, the devotee of sin has found no bolted

door. Let there be a very clear and full re-consecration to the service of the Lord Jesus ; then home life, business life and sanctuary life shall all be one harmonious whole, glorifying God and blessing men.

THE CHILDREN'S SUNDAY.

The only day to which the above name can yet be given in Canadian Methodism is the Day of Special Prayer for Sunday-schools. The day elected for this year—the 21st of October-will soon arrive. Sundayschool workers should note its approach and consecrate intervening weeks by earnest prayer and overcoming faith. Many scholars and exscholars can point to the third Sunday in October as the day of decision for Christ, to be a red-letter day therefore forever in their memory. On that day a special character

might be given to the afternoon exercises. In some schools the pastor might conduct the service, in others a miscellaneous service of praise, prayer, short addresses and even relation of Christian experience might occupy the usual hour or two. An English paper says: "We hear of one service, held last year, at which a letter from a lady teacher in the school was read from the platform, and created a marked impression. At another, some of the senior scholars gave an account of their conversion. An officer in a London school stated in our hearing, a few days since, that for several years past there had been conversions in his school on 'the children's Sunday.'

The Church has learned, though late, that her youth need not go out from her training schools into the wide world to pursue a course of folly and neglect and then perchance present themselves crippled and fettered at her doors, to spend weakened powers in the Master's service. Let those who have the special care of these youth extend the "arms of mighty prayer" in grasping them for a "whole life" of sacred service.

#### SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Among the more conspicuous papers in the Canadian Methodist Magazine But the Summer wanderers are for this month, two are suggestive of thought on Christian union. A good paper on the "Humiliation of our Lord" comes from the pen of Dr. Carman, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada. The appearance of Dr. Carman's name is sufficient to start one on a retrospective journey. Only a few years since the 'Jew and Samaritan' feeling would have been sufficiently strong to keep Dr. Carman a stranger to such pages, and yet with such rapidity do changes of importance take place that it is expected that in the course of a few months he will take the chair as one of the Superintendents of the united Methodist Churches of Canada! Surely the world moves and even more rapidly does the Church move. And why hould she not under the leadership of her great Head ?

But more significant still is the appearance of the portrait and sketch of the Rev. G. M. Grant, D. D., one of the most prominent Presbyterian ministers of Canada, and Principal of Queen's College, Kingston, a paper from whose pen on the "Signs of our Time," occupies several subsequent pages most profitably. If one may judge from the discussion by the Editor, on the "feasibility of union between Methodism and Presbyterianism." it is evident that Dr. Withrow had only to utter a word of invitation to which Dr. Grant was ready in a moment to respond. We cannot at present follow Dr. Withrow into the consideration of the question of the late Dr. H. Boyton Smith, " What is it that keeps Methodists and Presbyterians apart?" We can however express our satisfaction at the friendly attitude of these two largest sections of Canadian Protestantism, and can hope with Dr. Withrow "to see the day when the grand old Presbyterian Church, the heroic daughter of the Reformation, and the equally heroic Methodist Church shall be, if not organically one, at least so intimately affiliated that they will go forward hand in hand seeking in the most effective and economic manner to bring the world to the knowledge of our common Saviour and Lord. There is much weight in these sentences of Principal Grant :-

Christians are now beginning to feel that we dishonor the Holy Spirit when we cover with His name our speculations, theologizings, sermonizings, deductions, one-sidedness, and human limitations generally; and that we muffle the truth when we ignore or obscure the relative importance of for.

truths. Consequently, the various Churches now acknowledge each other, though still in a heattating and in-consistent way. Each professes to be only a branch of the Church, a regiment of one army. And yet we have never accommodated ourselves to these new and true conceptions. Each Church still acts as if it were the only true Church, and deals with all others, not on the principle of frank and cordial co-operation, but at best on the principle of competition. Has not the time come for formulating and acting upon unity which Christians every-where teel? This does not mean fusion. Possibly, fusion may not be a good thing. At any rate, we are not ripe for fusion. But are we not ripe for some alliance corresponding to federal union in the political sphere? As Provincial Parliaments attend to local affairs and a Central Parliament to matters of general importance, might not the Courts of each Church attend to matters immediately affecting themselves, while a general Synod or Conference composed of representatives of the various Churches attend to the extension of Christ's kingdom, the one great work given to the Church in its militant state? Are we not ripe at any rate for a hearty acceptance of the principle of non-interference both in the Home and Foreign Mission Fields?

The men who would destroy the Lord's day find their strongest argument in the necessity of rest and air for the thousands of confined workers during the week. Grant the object sought, and the workers would work on the seventh day also for the pleasure of the wealthy. The Christian Union of New York recently sent a special correspondent to Coney Island to observe the Sunday exacrsionists at that place, The reporter writes :-What you do not see is the cardriver, who works sixteen hours a day; the baker who toils during the long hours of the night; the poorlypaid drug clerk, whose long and exacting service gives him no chance of respite; the honest, pure-minded working-girl, who earns a scanty pitance for a widowed mother; the broken-down old clerk, with the pale face and hacking cough, obliged in the decline of life to work beyond his strength. In short, you do not see at Coney Island thousands of working people breathing in the fresh air of heaven, and for whom, if you should see them there instead of in church on a Sunday you might strive to find an the Union aptly sums up the result In those communities where the library and the museum have been opened, they have done neither the ill that was dreaded nor the good that was hoped; they have emptied neither the churches nor the grog-shops."

There are sad indications in this city of a rebellion against the Ten Commandments. Recent revelations have created no small degree of excitement. The reputation of Halifax will cease to be enviable if men in charge of affairs do not withstand the evil more boldly. We are glad that Judge Thompson has followed the course of a brother judge in New Brunswick, and addressed the grand jury on their duty. From his remarks is evident that the law has power to suppress the haunts of iniquity in our midst, if those in authority will use prompt and energetic measures. It remains to be seen what steps these will take. There is a public opinion, daily gathering force, which will at length crush out men who use official positions to make themselves a praise to evil-doers and a terror to those who do well. Further reflections would be unwise while certain inquiries are being conducted. It is to be hoped that no technical difficulties will prevent a thorough investiga-

The St. John Sun, of the 5th inst. has a paragraph respecting Mrs. Eliza Dodge, of Smithtown, Kings Co., N. B. This venerable lady, who recent ly celebrated her ninety-fifth birthday, was the third daughter of Rulof Rulofson, one of the first United Empire Loyalists who landed at Parr Town one hundred years ago. She has ten children, sixty-three grand-children and eighty one great-grand-children. Sight and hearing remain almost unimpaired, and she yet delights to review with her friends incidents that they have to read from the page of the historian. Mrs. Dodge, the Rev. D. D. Moore, A. B., writes, has been a member of our Church from her youth; built for us in 1834 a church in Nauwigewauk; rejoices now as ever in Christ Jesus as her Saviour and on the third inst., her birthday, partook of the Lord's Supper. Such aged friends have still something to live

Only through ignorance or recklessness can a true Protestant place his child among the dangers of a convent school. Its teachers are strangers to those maternal instincts which are necessary for the welfare of youth ; they occupy their position by arrangement of the Roman Catholic hierarchy; and their sole purpose is to serve Roman Catholicism. Is it worth while to run the terrible risk of placing a child where Roman Catholic emblems ever meet the eye, and Romish services ever greet the ear, and silent but subtle influences are constantly tending to make that child a life-long adherent a false church. The risk is too great! Only a mind so shallow as to se worthless, or so strong as to be superhuman, could come out of such a est uninfluenced. In view of this, and of the fact that equally good or far better schools can be found elsewhere. is it well to subject children to influ-

ences which may imperil them to all

eternity?

A tremendous struggle is now going on in Iowa and Ohio in favor of the Second Constitutional Amendment. An American paper thus puts the case: "On the day after the election, if the Second Amendment is carried, all property used for the manufacture of beer or fermented liquors will cease to be of any legal value. A court of justice will not enforce the collection of a bill from the wholesale liquor seller, and the latter cannot collect money due for drink. The man who rents his building to be used as a groggery cannot collect rent therefor. The consequence will be that capital will not risk money in a business that can give no legal security, and what will be the result? It will outlaw the liquor traffic." When the whole world votes such an "amend ment" the reign of evil will be over. Should not every man "push his pound" toward such a consummation !

Announcements of meetings of Comnittees of the N. S. Conference appear in another column. The President has, we understand, called the Missionary Committee together a little later than he would have done, in order to enable the members to meet excuse." In reference to the other with Dr. Cochran and to be present at mis to secularize the Sabbath the meetings to be addressed by him in this city. Announcements of meetings to be attended by Dr. Cochran in the N. B. and P. E. I. Conference will be published next week.

> At a meeting of the Evangelical Alliance on Monday last, arrangements were made to join in the celebration of the quater-centenary of the great reformer. Martin Luther. On Sunday, Nov. 10th, sermons will be preached in the Protestant churches having reference to the Reformation and Reformation principles, and on Monday evening a mass meeting will be held in the Brunswick Street Methodist Churrch at which addresses will be delivered by leading ministers of several bodies.

The attempt of Mr. Parnell and his followers to commit Ulster to the support of Home Rule is worse than a failure. It has at length roused the Orangemen, who have during the Trish conflict of the last few years possessed their souls in considerable patience. The effort of the latter to prevent the meetings of the Home Rule agitators is likely however to prove a mistake, and to aid the cause which they loyally seek to defeat.

The Presbyterian Synod met in this city on Tuesday evening. Professor McKnight, the retiring Moderator, preached the official sermon from "What think ye of Christ?" Dr. Burns, by a close vote, was elected Moderator for the present year.

The McAll Mission is to establish neeting in Calais, where, until a short time ago, no Protestant preacher's voice had been heard for over two hundred years. The first attempt to introduce the new Paris flower mission to its work in the hospitals has ended y the flowers being taken away from he patients, because they were distributed by Protestants.

A veritable Christian revival is reported in the native city of the Apos.le Paul, under the fostering care of American missionaries. It has so far touched the Armenian Church as to produce a demand for reforms. This call comprises Bible teaching, prayermeetings, the abolition of images, and of worship rendered to the Virgin and saints, together with liturgical services n a dead language. Mr. Christie reports that prayer meetings of fewer than five hundred persons are considered rather small.

FORCIBLE WORDS.

A writer in the Toronto Globe. signing himself "The Shade of John Wesley," has been serving up to the public some stale notions. A second writer over the signature of "The Real shade of JohnWesley." administers some severe rebukes. Says the Real Shade :"-

This pseudo-shade, professing to speak as me, says: "Before I departed from the terrestrial regions I solemforetold that if ever the Methodists eft the Church of England, God would leave them.

Well, I wrote and said a great many things while in the terrestrial regions, and as every honest man, who is not ossil from the beginning, has done beore and since my day, I uttered many hings which my larger experience and maturer judgment afterwards caused me to repudiate; this sentiment was among those which I most emphatically did repudiate. When I ordained Dr. Coke and Mr. Asbury to superintend the people called Methodists in America, I clearly and of set purpose formed them into an ecclesiastical organization separate and distinct from the Church of England and from every other Church

The Prime Minister of England in these later times once wrote a vigor ous book in support of the Christian duty of a nation to maintain an established church. When Mr. Gladstone comes-may he come late-to these happy seats, should some shade, using his name, attempt to convince the world, through a newspaper, by extracts from this book, that he opposed to dis-establishment, all the world would say that the ghost of Mark Twain had not forgotten his terrestrial tricks, or that the letter came from the soured soul of some disestablished crank.

. . . However, I never thought myself nfallible, and now I know that I was not : and even if it had been my opinion always that the Methodists should never leave the Church of England. God was wiser than I; His providence and the logic of events settled that question long ago to all, except to those who having eyes see not.

I am much more concerned with the insinuation that "my degenerated followers, or those who pretend to be my followers," have lost all likeness to myself. Let me see if they have any ear-marks by which I can recognise them, or rather, as this false shade makes the issue, let me see if they are much less like me than they would have been had they remained as he would have them, or in other words, which is most like me, the Church of England or the Methodism of to-day?

I said "the world is my parish," and in the saddle I went to and fro trying out these lands," trusting in God for all the expenses of my enterprise, and to give me souls for my hire. I was not disappointed. Nearly three-quarters of a century

after I began these labours, 1 looked eagerly out from these resplendent spheres upon the leafy wilderness which now lies a smiling garden along your lakes and river, and saw the foundations of a great empire being laid by heroic souls, for whom no man seemed to care. I said, surely with the wealth of the richest nation under heaven within her communion the Church of England will not leave these souls to perish. I hoped in vain. But I saw here and there a solitary horseman, without purse or scrip, with a Bible in his hand, and its message burning in his heart, going up and down the bridle paths, and following on foot, where a horse could not go, the "blaze" of the settler. bringing civilization and Sunday and temperance and self-control, word all that is implied by " joy and peace in believing," to these men and their families, who without these gifts would have gone down into barbarism. debauchery, and hell. And the other day when the successors of these men met in committee they estimated for nearly as much missionary money for the year as the Church of England in Canada raises in a decade. They support missions in Japan; they carry or the work in all the old Dominion they undertake the burden of the new North-West without one dollar from abroad, -while the Episcopalians of Canada, like a dazed and nerveless youth, beg the Mother Country to furnish the means to supply " the or-dinances of the Church" to the fast settling myriads of the North-West. My whole life was a missionary inspiration, these men have drunk largely of the same fountain. This ear-mark is surely much plainer than it would have been if the Methodists had been content to sink back into the placid pond of the Established Church

Take another. I was called fanatic, drove much wealth away from my societies, but I could not allow any man to be a member who manufactured or sold intoxicating drinks. This was almost a century and a half ago, and te-day throughout the whole continent of America, from the remotest station in British Columbia or Newfoundland to the city of Mexico, there is not one, the humblest member of any branch of Methodism, who puts the bottle to his neighbour's lips for How would it have fared with my followers if they had accepted the principles of the Church of England

in this regard? It would not be fair to tell the personal matters which I have seen in my silent glidings through the world, but all the world will believe me when I say that no such rule is even yet thought of in the English Church. But the public acts of a public body

are public property, and to-day in England, where the Church has had time, money, and prestige enough to work out its ideal of the Church of Christ, the Church of England, as a Church, is the largest owner in the kingdom and in the world-of taverns Retail liquor-selling, with all that it implies, pays a larger tribute into the treasury of that Church for places in which to carry on its traffic than it does to any other proprietary on

#### CHILDREN IN CHURCH.

Not long since D. L. Moody presided at a Christian Convention at Chicago. Addresses were delivered by a number of ministers, some of whom spoke with rare effectiveness. In the intervals Mr. Moody gave short "talks," always true and forcible, and heard with the deepest attention by all who could get into Farwell Hall. Frequently, when its three thousand sittings were occupied, large overflow meetings were held in adjacent churches. The singing was led by Mr. Sankey and Mr. and Mrs. McGranahan We give from the Northwestern Ad.

vocate a sketch of one discussion : One of the most interesting discussions grew out of Mr. Moody's saying, I am going to bring a charge against the ministers. They don't want children in the church during the ser-

Dr. R. M. Hatfield denied the charge. He invited the people to bring their children to the services. Dr. Humphrey knew a man who not only invites the children to his church but gives them note-books and pencils, and offers Bibles to those who will take down and remember; and Dr. Goodman saw that man present thirty-nine Bibles to a class of boys, and observed that he had 450 children out of the 600 in the Sabbath-school in his church. Dr. Henson got tired of preaching to the old saints and sinners, and wanted young hearers. He also encouraged the children to come and hear him. Another invited children not only to the church service but to the prayer-meeting.

J. H. Walker said he denied the charge, too. He urged his people to bring the children, and said to them that they had no business in the house of God without their children; and last Sunday morning he had the accompaniment of a crying baby all through his sermon, but it did not dis turb him.

Dr. Johnson-Mr. Moody, you will have to withdraw that charge.

Mr. Moody—Well, I will take that back : but I will make another. They don't give the children anything when they do come. Dr. Kendall-See here, Mr. Moody

I have always stood by you, but I won't do so any longer if you do not speak the truth.
Mr. Moody—Don't I speak it? Do

you give them anything?

Dr. Kendall—I don't know. I believe I do. At least, I try to. I am reforming, or trying to. I have found I could give the parents some good hard hits when I was talking to the

Mr. Moody next told a bit of his own experience. He said that he was seventeen years of age before he had neard a solitary word addressed to children. He recollected that for seventeen years he had thus heard nothing that was intended for him and his like, and that at that age, he was waked up one day in church because he snored so loud. With such youthful memories he was glad that the ministers were devoting five minutes to children's talks. Some time ago, continued the ready evangelist, there was a man who was asked how it was that he had such fine sheep. He replied that it was because he looked after the lambs. So, said Mr. Moody, pastors

should look after the children. The closing discussion of the convention was with regard to the influence of music in religious meetings. Mr. Sankey and Mr McGranahan delivered forcible and interesting addresses, relating their experience. Mr. Sankey, to show the influence of religious songs on the minds of children, related the following touching incident : When we were in Glasgow a poor

mother came up to me and said, want to tell you about my little Mary. She was struck by the gospel hymns, and especially the one, 'Safe in the arms of Jesus.' The child loved the hymn and was always singing it. Six months ago little Mary sickened and died, but just before she died she said, 'Mother, raise me up, and get my hymn-book, and find No. 12. That was her favorite, and she sang it through, and as I laid her back again she said, 'Mother, I am going now to be with Jesus. Please lay my little hymn-book in the coffin on my breast, open at that page." And so little Mary died singing "Safe in the arms of Jesus," and was laid away with the hymn in her grave.

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MISSIONARY COMMITTER.

The Missionary Committee of the Conference of Nova Scotia, will meet (D. V.) in the basement of the Brunswick Street Church, Halifax, on Wednesday, 24th October, at 9 a.m. The Conference Special Committee will meet at the close of the meeting

of the Missionary Committee, in the same place.

W. H. HEARTZ, Oct. 6th., 1883.

C. E. AND P. A. FUND.

The Autuma meeting of the Church Extension and Parsonage Aid Committee of the Nova Scotia Conference will meet (D. V.) in the besement of the Brunswick Street Chusch, Halifax, on Thursday, 25th October, at 10 a.m. as per Constitution.

J. G. Angwin,

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARIES.

The Rev. Dr. Cochran, President of the Toronto Conference, a returned missionary from Japan, is expected (D. V.) to address meetings in advocacy of the interests of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada, as follows:

Amherst, Friday, October 19th. Halifax, Oct. 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th. Thursday, October 25th. Windsor, Friday, Yarmouth, Sabbath, Bridgetown, Monday, .. Annapolis, Tuesday, ,, 30th. -Wednesday, ,, 31st.

W. H. HEARTZ, Oct. 6th., 1883.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Annual Missionary Sermons on behalf of the Methodist Church of Canada will be preached in this city on Sunday, the 21st inst., as follows Brunswick Street Church,

at 11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Mis sionary from Japan. at 7 p.m. Rev. W. H. Heartz, President N. S. Conference.

Grafton Street Church, at 11 a.m. Rev. W. H. Heartz, President N. S. Conference. at 7 p.m. Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Missionary from Japan.

Charles Street Church, at 11 a.m. Rev. J. J Teasdale, at 7 p.m. Rev B. C. Borden. Kaye Street Church,

held as follows:

at 11 a.m. Rev. F H. W. Pickles. at 7 p.m. Rev. W. G. Lane. The Anniversary Meetings will be

Kaye Street Church, on Sunday afternoon, 21st inst., at 3 o'clock. Grafton Street Church, on Monday evening, 22nd inst., at 7.30 o'clock. Brunswick Street Church, on Tuesday evening, 22rd inst., at 7.30 o'clock. Charles Street Church, on Wednesday

evening, 24th inst., at 7.30 o'clock. The meetings will be addressed by the Rev. Dr. Cochrane, Rev. W. H. Hearlz, and others, and a collection will be taken up at each service in aid of the funds of the Society.

W. F. M. S.

The annual meeting of the Halifax North Auxiliary of the "Women's Foreign Missionary Society," was held in the basement of Brunswick Street Church on Monday Oct. 1st., the President, Mrs. Huestis, in the chair.

The receipts for the year are \$211.20, an amount considerably in excess of the previous year. Every effort possible has been made to make the monthly meetings interesting, and we trust the year on which we have entered will be one of great success. The officers elected for the current

President-Mrs. Huestis. Vice Presidents-Mrs. Northup, Mrs. Pickles, Miss McCallum. Corr. Secretary-Mrs. Whiston. Rec. Secretary-Mrs. J. W. Smith.

Treasurer - Mrs. Nauffcs. Two papers were read and the meeting was then closed with the benedic-S. JENNIE SMITH,

HALIFAX SOUTH.

The Sunday school idea seems of late to have taken deep root in the hearts of our people. We are inclined to make quite as much of it as our American friends. A prominent Sunday-school man has affirmed that "I believe in the Sunday-school" will be one article in the new creed of the Churches. In this city there are men and women of ability and culture who have given this work deep study, and who engage in it with enthusiasm and

The Anniversary services held last week in connection with Grafton St. be mine in that day when I make up my jewels. Malachi iii. 17. His words and feeling illustrations were listened

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NOVA SCOTIA CONFERENCE. | the Rev. G. O. Huestis of Hantsport had offered prayer, the President, Rev. J. J. Teasdale, then delivered one of his characteristic addresses, filled with words of loving sympathy and carnest exhortation-from the heart, for the heart, and to the heart. At the close the audience greeted him with the Chatauqua salute-" The blooming of the lilies;" thus evincing their attachment to him as their leader.

The General Secretary then read a most interesting report of the Society, showing the work of the school, its results, etc. The total number enrolled under the supervision of the Society is 414. Very gratifying and encouraging reports were also read by Br. Woodbury and Mr. J. S. Belcher, Superintendents of Grafton Street and Coburg Road Schools. The former, in addition to its large contribution to the General Missionary Fund, sup-ports a young man in the French Methe dist Institute, Montreal.

After singing by the choir, Rev. J. L. Batty gave a spicy address, filled with amusing incidents. A reading was well rendered by Miss Thomas, and a recitation by Miss Minnie Theakston was given in a happy manner. One of the most pleasing exercises was the Service of Praise under the direction of the Misses Shaffer. This was a tribute of thankfulness to the Giver of all good for his lovingkindness during the past year. Scriptural recitations were given by several pupils.

Rev. B. C. Borden, the new pastor of Brunswick St. Church, gave a stirring exhortation to the children, and after a few words by Rev. G. Huestis, the following, including the officers of the schools, were elected as the Executive for the ensuing year :-

President --- Rev. J. J. Teasdale;

Vice-President-Rev. J. L. Batty General Secretary-C. H. Longard Treas. - Hon. S. L. Shannon. Committee-G. H. Starr, Levi Hart, J. M. DeWolfe, Arnold Doane, D. H. Burbidge, F. H. Oxley, J. W. Caldwell, H. Theakston, A. Duffield, Miss F. Black, Mrs. A. N. Archibald, Miss

Lily Shaffer and Miss Silver. Thus closed one of the most interesting Anniversaries ever held in connection with Grafton St. Church : due in a large degree to a faithful and earnest pastorate.

THE NORTH WEST.

(To the Editor of the WESLEYAN-)

DEAR BRO. SMITH, -Thinking that a few notes for the WESLEYAN might not be unacceptable I send them, hoping that they may be interesting to some of your readers. After leaving Winnipeg we arrived at Qu'Appelle, the nearest railway station on the Canada Pacific Railway. After staying outfit and supplies for our journey across the plains, we left for Fort Qu' Appelle, a place twenty miles distant. Fort Qu' Appelle is a beautiful and romantic spot, more like Annapolis Valley than any place I have seen since left Nova Scotia. The Qu' Appelle river runs through the valley, and is the principal tributary of the Assiniboine, the length of which is about 250 miles. There are eight lakes on this river where the best quality of white fish abounds. The above mentioned river has its source not far from the elbow of the southern Saskatchewan, and its mouth near Fort Ellice The land in Fort Qu' Appelle is said to be very fertile.

Passing along from this point, we pitched our tent about thirty miles farther north at sunset of the next evening. After tethering our Indian pony and partaking of supper, we commended ourselves to God and then slept for the first time under the starlit sky of the North-west. The next morning we passed on to Little Touchwood, where the Agent of the Hudson Bay Co. shewed us great kindness. It rained nearly all day and was very lisagreeable on account of the long grass everywhere. Little Touchwood is a romantic locality because of the beautiful hills and valleys so abundant on every side. Twelve miles from this spot brought us to the Indian Farm, where a man is kept by the Government to instruct the natives in the art of farming. Surely this is a step in the right direction. It is far more laudable and Christian-like to try to make good citizens of the In-dians than to exterminate them. The

crops at the farm looked very well. We pushed on till we arrived at the Great Salt Plain. This plain is about 30 miles across and travellers are under the necessity of carrying wood for their camp-fires. There is plenty of water, but some of it is very brackish. being strongly impregnated with alkali. The trail over the plain was very good, except in a few places. We saw men at work here putting up telegraph poles to Humboldt. Passing along we came to a slough, and when in the middle of it snap went the whiffletree of my new-buckboard. The mud was about up to the axletree. There was ing nature. On Sabbath morning, Sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and the sept. 20. Rev. De Burne and hard and ha Sept. 20, Rev. Dr. Burns preached a wished for a Bluenose sailor or fishersimple yet eloquent sermon to the children from the text, a They shall However, I did it as well as I could, and soon we were in a position to jog on again. The trail was very passable until we were within 16 miles of Humto with the deepest interest. The pas- boldt. Then we passed through alough tor, Rev. J. J. Teasdale, preached a lafter slough and over rough places powerful sermon in the evening from that I will not attempt to describe. In fact, there are no adjectives in the The Anniversary exercises of the English language expressive enough Society were held in the spacious to describe that piece of road. You far as we yet know, called forth by Schoolcroom of the Church, on Friday evening. The large number who liteevening. The large number who lite- what when I tell you that we only

moral law on that part of the journey. The next point reached was Humboldt, where we found an observatory, telegraph and mail station. The agent kindly made me a new whiffletree and lent me additional harness, for which was very thankful. We journeyed along till at sunset we arrived at a wide and deep creek. Fortunately a half-breed was crossing at the same time. I asked him to take Mrs. Parker and our boy over in his Red River cart. He very kindly did so and then came back for our baggage. The Red River carts have very high wheels, and take baggage through sloughs without getting it wet. After the baggage was taken over I crossed with my buckboard, and with my feet on the dashboard I managed to get over without being wet. We passed on to Wolverine Creek where we had a similar experience. Such is life over the Prairie trails of the North West. After leaving Humboldt we came to a district of rolling prairie. For a whole day we passed through a magnificent country. Here and there we saw skeletons of buffaloes bleached beneath the sun. The buffaloes have all disappeared from this district of country.

We were now well into the Saskatche-

wan valley. This immense valley is watered by the Saskatchewan river. The river is divided into two branches which take their rise at a short distance from each other, at the foot of the Rocky Mountains, between 49° and 53°, and extend, the first to the north for 7721 miles, and the second, to the south, on a line 810 miles long. reuniting into one at 282 miles from Lake Winnipez, into which the Saskatchewan empties. Passing along we at last came to Fisher's Landing, on the South Saskatchewan. After waiting for some time on account of a band of Indians with a number of ponies crossing, we at last got over all right on a very primitive looking scow. We travelled along till we came to a Mr. Cameron's, where we stayed over Sabbath, and were treated very kindly. The next evening we arrived at Prince Albert, our future home. A journey of days across the trail from Qu' Appelle to Prince Albert is no sinecure. Thunderstorms, rainy days and high winds rendered our journey more unpleasant than it otherwise would have been. A description of Prince Albert, etc., must be left for a future letter. Suffice it to say that, on the banks of the North Saskatchewan we have our | \$1.75. log church and log cabin, with Cree Indians for our nearest neighbors. Many times since we left Nova Scotia have we thought of dear friends on our former fields of toil, and still earnestly desire an interest in their prayers. Until recently this place had a mail once in three weeks; now we have a weekly one. We are always glad to see the WESLEYAN, although it is nearly worn out when it reaches here. Please put a good stiff cover on

every necessary blessing. I am, yours fraternally, CALEB PARKER. Prince Albert, N.W.T. Sept. 24, 1883.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Leonard Gaetz, of London. Ont., recently spent several days in Calgary, N. W. T. and vicinity. He thence proceeded to Edmonton in company with Rev. John McDougall.

The Rev. S. B. Dunn and Mrs. Dunn arrived from England on Saturday afternoon per Caspian, and at once proceeded to Truro. They had spent a fortnight with friends in New- | mail of September 10th. foundland

The Rev. James Dove, of Newfoundland, who was ill when he reached Halifax from Toronto, has since his return to Newfoundland been in a dangerous state. Latest advices, we rejoice to say, report improvement.

Mr. F. E. Whitham arrived per Caspian on Saturday, to take charge of one of our vacant circuits. His first sermons on this side of the ocean were heard with pleasure by the Charles St. congregation. He leaves this morning for Cape Breton.

We have been informed of the death of Mrs. Heard, wife of Wm. Heard, Esq., of Charlottetown, P. E. I. No particulars have yet reached us. Mrs. Dr. Sprague, of Fredericton, is a daughter of the deceased lady. To Mr. Heard and all the afflicted family we a cooking stove and a bedstead. Entender our sympathy.

From the Christian Guardian we learn with regret that the Rev. John Shaw, who was obliged to leave the recent Conference at Belleville through illness, will be obliged to refrain from active pastoral work for some time. He has been given leave of absence until the middle of November, by which time it is hoped his health will

The teachers of the Charles Street Sunday-school on the evening of the 4th inst. extended a pleasant welcome to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, who have recently returned to the city The gathering took place at the plea-sant home of Mr. & Mrs. A. M. Bell, who had only recently received a similar greeting from the teachers on their return from their wedding tour. Mr. Smith will be unable to return at present to his former post in the school. His place has been most ably filled by Mr. A. M. Bell.

A neat pamphlet—the only one, so

Fisher says he says earnestly and elo-quently. We wish that others had given the general public the benefit of any of their researches into church history.

LITERARY, &c.

E. B. Treat, New York, is the publisher of the Pulpit Treasury, a new Evangelical monthly for Pastors, Christian workers and Families. Judging'from the numbers already received this new candidate for the sufrages of the public is likely to be regarded with favor. We give an extract on our first page. The number for October is the sixth. Price (in advance) \$2,50, to ministers \$2.00. S. F. Huestis is Agent.

Messrs, Funk and Wagnalls, New York, publish Joseph Parker's Servant f All; or The Inner Life of Christ as Revealed in the Gospel of Matthew. Any one familiar with the well-known author will be anxious to secure this book. The discourses may be taken as a model of the expository style of preaching, of which they certainly furnish happy specimens. At times Dr. Parker seems to flood a familiar saying with light that the reader soon perceives to be that of genuine truth.

The same house issues From Gloom to Gladness: Illustrations of Life from the Biography of Esther; by Rev. J. S. Vandyke, A. M. The life of Esther is one of the "heroic poems" of Scripture, as are all true lives. Upon its various incidents the author has based series of expository and descriptive discourses, at once polished and attractive while also direct and incisive. Young men may here learn how much use may be made of the historical

Memorial Tributes, a Compend of Juneral Adddresses, E. B. Treat, 757 Broadway, N. Y., is both an aid for pastors and a book of comfort for the bereaved. The Rev. Dr. Sanderson has compiled it from addresses of the most eminent divines of the past and present age both in Europe and Americs. The thoughts suggested by it will certainly aid the minister when standing as a son of consolation at the altar of sorrow. Dr. Deems says that the author has done young ministers a real service in its preparation. Price

METHODIST NOTES.

On the 23rd ult., the Rev. J. Ast. oury had the privilege of receiving five persons, four of whom were heads of families, into membership with the Church, at Canso.

The Eneign, a paper for children, published by the Canada Bible Christians, will in a few weeks be merged with Pleasant Hours, published at our Book-room in Toronto.

A new pipe organ has been presented to the Methodist Church, Dorchester, N. B., by Alexander Black, Esor. A public opening takes place

A lot for a church has been bought by the Building Committee of the Methodist Church, Prince Albert, Man., and it is expected the building will be commenced this fall.

The Rev. C. W. Dorsey and Rev. J. Moore, ministers of the B. M. E. Church, (colored), accompanied by their families, arrived safely at Bermuda from Canada, by the New York

The Gower Street Methodist Church, St. John's, N. F., was reopened for worship on Sunday, the 23rd ult. The interior appearance and arrangements for lighting are very much improved. The sermons on that day were preached by Revs. S. B. Dunn and George Bond.

At a recent meeting a report of the Toronto Conference Branch of the Women's Missionary Society showed that the Branch comprised six auxiliaries, with a total membership of 350. The amount raised during the year was \$951, an increase of \$78 over the preceding year.

The Carleton Sentinel has this statement : " Rev. W. W. Colpitts found his parsonage, in the town of Nelson, Manitoba, furnished to the extent of ergy, perseverance and a good deal of cash has now remedied that; the walls are papered, the floors carpeted. and chairs and tables are where such things should be found.'

The Charlottetown Patriot says 'At Sturgeon, on the 30th ult., a new church was opened by the Rev. E. Bell. A good audience assembled considering the wet morning; at 2.30 the Rev. W. Wass preached, and in the evening the Rev. E. Bayne. The friends deserve great praise for erecting such a nest building. And the best part of all is that it is nearly free of debt."

A private note from the Rev. C. S. Eby, M.A., of our mission to Japan, dated Sept. 8th, conveys the followng gratifying intelligence :- "Tsukihas declared itself a self-supporting church to-day. This is a direct out-come of my Lectures, and Miss Cartmell's Woman's Meeting and Bible Class, and within eight months. Bro. Sugiyama is pastor, at \$15 per

The anniversary services of the Cobourg Road Sunday school were held on Sunday and on Monday evening.

tions which crowded a church now too are really Irish informers sent out by tendance. Two things have, we believe been learned by many,—the va-lue of the earnest efforts of Mr. Belcher and his excellent staff of teachers, and the necessity of a new church.

The amount for "levelling up" reuired by the Primitive Methodist onference, according to the terms of Union, will be about \$20,000, or \$225 per minister. The plan for raising this sum, as sanctioned by last Conperence, is: One-third to be raised from the various connexional funds one-third to be paid by the ministers and the remaining one third by the laity. One long tried friend, Robert Walker, Esq., has already promised

On Sunday last the anniversary exercises of the Queen's Square Church, St. John, were held. The attendance was very large. Rev. J. Read occupied the pulpit in the morning, and the pastor, Rev. Job Shenton in the evening. In the afternoon a love feast was held, of which members of different Methodist churches in the city partook. The Portland Sunday-school had an open session on Sunday afternoon, with interesting exercises. The secretary's report showed an average attendance of over 200. The finances were also represented as being in a flourishing state.

The Baltimore Methodists-North and South-invite the Centenary Conference to meet in that city.

ABROAL.

The published results of the recent Irish Intermediate Education examinations show that eight exhibitions, three medals, and eleven prizes have been awarded to pupils of the Belfast Methodist College. Forty-nine pupils of the College passed the Examination. of whom forty-two were awarded

The Texas Christian Advocate, of Sept. 1, contained nearly four columns and a half of revival notices, giving accounts of fifty-three revivals and camp meetings, footing up 1,395 conversions and 1,047 accessions.

A remarkable revival has broken out in British Guiana, at Georgetown, where, among a population of fifty thousand, there are three Methodist chapels, one holding fifteen hundred persons. Two hundred members have been added to the Church, and many children brought under religious

Thursday, Sept. 27, was a red-letter day at Mt. Rutsen Farm, the "Superannuated Preachers' Home," at Rhinebeck, N. Y. It was the day for the dedication of the Suckley Memorial Chapel, which has been built, at a cost of about \$5,000, by Thomas H. Suckley, Esq., and presented, free from debt, to the trustees of the New York Conference, to be used for religious worship, \* \* \* according to the Discipline and usages of the Methodist Egiscopal Church." edifice is built of cut stone, and is tom house examiner. plainly but richly furnished. The generous donor provided everything, including pulpit furniture, cushions for the pews, carpet, organ, bell, and even collection in baskets. There are now six good houses and a beaujiful chapel on the Conference farm. The property is free from debt and is self-supporting. Mr. Suckley has given itan endowment of \$10,000.

The next annual session of the Provincial Normal School, Truro, will begin on Wednesday, November 7th. one hundred sailors must have perish-Accrding to regulations, students are not admitted later than one week from that date. A preparatory department, with a six months' course, has been organized for the training of third lass (Grade D) teachers. Circulars giving full information can be had on application to the Principal.

GLEANINGS, Etc.

THE DOMINION.

Several inches of snow fell on Friday last in several parts of P. E. Island. The agent of the secret service dirision at Duluth, Minn., has captured

on the Bank of Montreal. Mr. Craig, president of the Exchange Bank of Montreal, has admitted that his appropriation of the bank

a set of counterfeit plates of \$5 notes

funds are as high as first stated. It is the general opinion in New Brunswick that the cut of lumber the coming season will be much less than that of the average year.

A train of 14 cars of fish-the first special train of the kind to leave Halifax—was despatched on Monday for Chicago. The value of the fish was

Advices have been received from several quarters announcing a number of successful "finds" of silver in the Rocky Mountains by prospecting parties who went out last spring.

The next civil service examinations will be held at Moncton, N. B., Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Belleville, Toronto and London, and will commence on Tuesday, 13th Nov. next.,

During September 16,368 immigrants arrived in Canada, making 154.752 so far since the 1st of January. Of these 91,779 remained in Canada, and 66,880 went to the Unitea States.

small for the neighborhood and at- the Imperial authorities to watch events in Canada.

> The attendance at the St. John Exhibition up to Thursday evening, the 4th inst., aggregated over thirty-eight thousand, exclusive of exhibitors, attendants, officials and representatives of the press. The grand total has been estimated to reach sixty thousand.

A letter reports that the Prince of Mantua and Montferrat, Italy, has intimated by an official letter to Dr. Honeyman that with his council he has conferred on him the Mantuan gold medal for geological researches and for excellence of arrangements in the Canadian department at the International fisheries exhibition.

Last week the Rev. Finlay McCuaig, of Kingston, had an interview with the Postmaster General, and presented him with a petition containing several thousands of signatures praying for the discontinuance of the despatch of mails on Sunday. Mr. Carling remarked that he and his colleagues were desirous of minimising Sunday labor. He promised that the petitions should have the best consideration of the department and government.

In the art gallery of the St. John Exhibition is a life-size statue of Evangeline, by Mrs. Thomes A. Temple. The Telegraph says: 'In entering upon this department of art Mrs. Temple has shown a great deal of courage, and the character of her work justifies her in making further efforts. Her work is very much better than most persons expected any New Brunswick artist could produce, and for so difficult a subject is, for an amateur, very creditable."

The Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of New Brunswick, was held last week in St. John. The reports showed an increase of over 25 per cent, in the membership in that Province. The membership in New Brnnswick is in the vicinity of 3,000. The officers for the ensuing year are: Robt. Wills, Grand Worthy Patriarch; W. W. Graham, Grand Worthy Associate : H. H. Pitts, Grand Treasurer; Rev. Job Shenton, Grand Chaplain; Wm. Anslow, Grand Conductor; Z. O. Wilson, Grand Sentinel; S. B. Patterson, Grand Scribe.

The French Journals call the denonstrations against Alphonso playing into Bismarck's hands.

It is believed that the Crown will comply with the request of O'Donnell's solicitor that the trial be postponed until Nov. 8th.

Divorce decrees were granted on a recent Saturday by Judge Gardner, at Chicago, at the rate of one every nine minutes. Precious stones, valued at \$10,000

sent by mail from Europe to a firm in New York were seized at the postoffice there the other day by the cus-The Emperor of Brazil has given

Prof. Lacerda \$20,000 for his discovery of permanganate of potassium. hypodermically interjected, as an antidote for the bite of the cobra. A German paper says that Nihilist

proclamations have been issued solemnly sentencing the Czar of Russia to death, because he has failed to grant liberty to the people. A San Domingo letter reports a hurricane on the 6th inst. At least

ed within eighty miles of San Domingo city. Half of the villages along the coast were destroyed. The German language is taught in nearly all the white public schools of St. Louis. The entire number of pupils who are now studying German is 20,000, or more than half of the whole number of pupils in all the schools of

St. Louis. Two lines of steamers, from Italy to New York, have been recently started, and the immigration last y ar was 27,000, and is expected to reach 39,000 this year, and to go on growing. Until these lines were opened, poor Italians emigrated to South America.

It is understood that M. Waddington, French Ambassador at London. will, shortly confer with the British Foreign Secretary, in reference to the indemnity claimed by Missionary Shaw for his treatment at Madagascar. France is anxious to have a friendly settlement of this matter.

Among the difficulties encountered by missionaries in China is the lack of transportation. Dr. Nevins, a missionary in China, made a tour in Shantung of 1,000 miles on a wheelbarrow of his own invention, drawn by a powerful mule. He baptized 208 adults on the tour.

There are at the present time in the United States, 120 newspapers published by negroes. The oldest of these is the Elevator, of San Francisco, which is now in its eighteenth year. The average circulation of the 120 papers is only about 1.000, few of them being published at a profit, but the Baptist negro organ at Philadelphia sells 10,000 copies weekly.

Two-thirds of all the wealth in the United States, a witness recently asserted before a committee of the New York Senate, is in the hands of one fifth of the people. Within the city of New York there are one hundred men who have it in their power to It is said that some new arrivals change the value of every piece of

MEMORIAL NOTICES.

On the morning of the 27th ult., in her 29th year, Alice Mary, the beloved wife of the Rev. Joseph Pascoe, of Centreville, Bedeque, P. E. Island, finished her probation and entered into rest.

Sister Pascoe had been ailing for sometime before she left Newfoundland (where she spent six happy years) in July, 1881. At the beginning of last January she had a severe attack of hemorrhage of the lungs, from which she never recovered. During her illness she received every attention and care that skilful medical treatment and kind nursing could afford, but all proved in vain to check the disease and stay the hand of death. Kind friends and Christian ministers visited her in her affliction. On the 7th of August she received from the Rev S.T.Teed the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, which was a source of great comfort, and a blessed season of grace to her.

Our dear sister was early called to folyow the Saviour, having been converted to God during the ministry of the Rev. John Prince on the Bedeque circuit, about twenty three years ago. It afforded her much pleasure to receive a visit from him about three weeks before her decease. Long will her memory be cherished by those to whom she was known in Burin and Brigus circuits, N. F. Many, no doubt, in these places when reading this notice of her death will call to remembrance those virtues which shone so conspicuously in her life. Her quiet unobtrusive manner, her gentle spirit and unaffected piety will not be fergotten by those who best knew her, both in Newfoundland and in her own Island home. Her life was one of consistency and meral purity, and her death beautifully corresponded with it. Towards the close, her faith and confidence in God were clearly manifested in the peace she enjoyed, and her resignation to the Divine will. The day previous to her death, thinking her end near, she summoned her family and friends to her bed, and after expressing great peace and confidence in Ged, and imparting good counsel to her children she bade all present a solemn and affectionate farewell. Through the day she rallied but expressed disappointment in her longer delay on earth. On the morning of her death her face appeared to be radiant with joy, as she exclaimed, " all is well." On being asked if she saw anything, she said "yes! yes! I see Jesus! so bright! so levely! Jesus! Jesus!" and then requested her sisters to sing "Safe said, "Give my love to all, to everybody," and sweetly passed away to her eternal 8. T. T. Fryon, Oct 1, 1883.

AYLESFORD, N. S.

DEAR SIR,-A few words from this circuit may prove acceptable to some of your readers. We have things bright and encouraging, and things sombre and depressing, to record. Let us look at the bright side first:

The new church at Margaretville, so auspiciously opened last autumn, has largely increased our congregation and Sabbath-school there. It has already been the birth-place of souls; and the work of the year has demonstrated the wisdom of the men and women who with such heroic self-denial placed it there, amidst great discouragement, free from all mortgage ornaments and everything of the kind. Congregation and Sabbath-school are twice as large as

when we worshipped in the old church. The old Aylesford church is now undergoing extensive repairs, the trustees having contracted with Mr. Bowlby. the architect of the Margaretville church, to modernize the whole structure. The new tower is already up, and it is thought that about one thousand dollars will make it one of the best churches in the circuit. We expect to re-open it early in November.

A circuit tea-meeting, held at North Kingston on the 12th inst., was a grand success. The receipts were three hundred and thirty-four dollars, enabling the Quarterly Meeting, among other things, to liquidate a debt which has been on the parsonage ever since it was purchased. Another tea-meeting, held at East Aylesford, secured about two hundred dollars towards the repairs on the church.

Brother Friggins, recently from England, and appointed to be my colleague, arrived here safely on last Friday. We were all glad to welcome him to this field of ministerial toil where both physical energy and mental power can have ample scope for practical exhibition. He preached twice on Sabbath, made a good impression and is entering upon his work with promise of great useful-

Domestic affliction has confined me closely at home and prevented me from doing as much pastoral work as usual during the past year. First there came the long and painful illness of Mrs. Ryne, whose demise has been already recorded in your paper. Then on my arrival at the seat of Conference I was

called home by telegram to my daughter Myra, who was taken suddenly and dangerously ill. Since then she has suffered everything but death, and was thought to be dying. Though now slowly, and we hope permanently, recovering, she is unable yet to leave her bed, and needs constant care. The billows have gone over us.

Diptheria has been doing its work destruction among our people. Last Monday I buried the only child, a bright boy of nine summers, of Brother and Sister F. Jacques, of Melvern Square, who died of diptheria. On Tuesday I buried the grandmother, Mrs. Jacques' mother, who died of the same disease. Sister Gates was a consistent nember of our Church. I visited her few hours before her death, when she was rapidly sinking under the power of the dreaded disease; and I have reason from the same scourge.

A marvellous escape from sudden the daughter of our esteemed supernumerary, and myself, on the evening of long discussion took place on this rethe 20th inst. We were on our way to port. attend a meeting at Nicholsville; and as we entered the bridge crossing the Annapolis river, the whole structure gave way and went with a thundering crash to the bottom of the river. I reined my horse up the river, and he leaped from the flying timbers into the water, a distance, I am told, of fifteen feet. As the horse went I jumped from the carriage into the stream. The carriage turned over and the horse alighted on his back, with Miss Taylor buried in the water under the carriage. Fortunately, owing to the lengthy drought, the water was only from four to five feet deep; and as I alighted on my feet and the water was only up to my arms, I was in a position to help others. I soon extricated Miss Taylor from the carriage and lifted her from the water upon the timbers of the fallen bridge, and then addressed myself to the task of saving the horse, which was lying upon his back unable to help himself in the least. Three men soon arrived, who rendered valuable assistance, and all were saved. Miss Taylor and myself were not hurt in the least, though rather more wet than Methodists care to be. The horse had one leg injured, but he will permanently recover. The carriage had one axle bent and the cap on it broken. This was the extent of the injury sustained. It was quite dark at the time, which rendered our position more critical. Several visited the place next day and looked upon the timbers ot the fallen bridge, but were unable to account for our escape. Indeed the only solution is this: "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him and delivereth them." Query, Why are so many of our bridges in such an unsafe condition? Only a few weeks since we read of a bridge in Colchester ceunty falling while three men were walking over it. One of them was

Have we no bridge inspectors? WILLIAM RYAN. Aylesford, Sept. 28.

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killed and another seriously injured. I

heard an intelligent citizen say a few

days since, that never within his mem-

the present time. Who is responsible?

TURSDAY, Sept. 18.

The report of the Committeeon Temperance was next considered.

Rev. Dr. Dewart moved that the whole report be adopted with the exception of the clauses referring to the franchise of women and sacramental

The President-Why leave out the clause referring to the franchise of wo-

Rev. Dr. Dewart-Because we are not prepared as a Church to commit ourselves to that position. President-We must discuss that.

Rev. G. Webber-I would like to see adies have chances of voting down this Rev. Dr. Rice-I have no objection

to women having all their rights, but I do not think we should discuss the matter of the franchise here. Rev. Dr. Dewart-Some leading la dies who are temperance workers do

not believe in advocating the franchise The President-They may not believe in advocating it, but they are

The report as a whole, including the franchise clause, was adopted by a

large majority.

The second report on temperance recommending the appointment of a special temperance agent, was tabled. Rev. Dr. Rice moved a vote of thanks to the citizens of Belleville for their generous hospitality to the Conference. The motion was adopted unanimously.

STREING.

The report of the Committee on the leyan Methodist Church in England, philosophy.

Centenary of Organized Methodism in America was presented. mended that the General Conference heartily concur in the centenary celebration; that conventions be held at Grimsby and St. Lawrence Campgrounds; that collections be made at all grounds; that collections be made at all Wm. Briggs, and to the several Churchthe services and appropriated to the es in England, Rev. Dr. Rice." The Superannuation Fund; that delegates be appointed to the Centenary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States. The report was

Revs. Drs. Williams and Gardiner were appointed delegates to the Centenary Committee. Committees were appointed to earry out arrangements for the camp-meetings.

The report of the Special Committee on the Superannuation Fund was presented. It recommended a method to be adopted by the smaller bodies in to believe that death to her was gain. levelling up, and the amount to level up Others at Melvern Square are suffering in the Book-Room should be kept separate from the invested funds. amount to level up on the Book-Room death was experienced by Miss Taylor, is \$95,647, on both funds \$130,000, or an average of \$229 per minister. A

> Rev. Dr. Stone moved as a substitute: "That the amount of money invested on the 20th September, 1883, of the Superannuated Ministers' Fund shall be the amount to which incoming ministers shall level up." The substi

> tute was adopted. Rev. Dr. Stone moved that the basis on which the equalization of personal interests in the Book-Room shall be calulated by the net assets of the Metholist Book and Publishing House of the Methodist Church of Canada, as shown by the exhibit of the Book Committee at the May meeting of the present year, and that the quotient obtained by dividing this sum, less 25 per cent., provided for in the Basis, by the whole number of ministers of the Methodist Church of Canada, exclusive of superannuates and supernumeraries, represent the sum that each minister and probationer of the other contracting bodies be required to pay into the funds of the Publish ing House of the united Church. resolution was adopted.

The report of the Committee on the Course of Study was adopted with slight emendations.

On motion of Dr. Douglas, it was resolved that all young men who are candidates for the ministry shall be sent to one or other of the theological schools for one or more years.

Rev. F. Chisholm presented the constitution of the Court of Appeal. It was recommended that it consist of twelve members, six clerical and six lay. The report was adopted.

The ballot for members of the Court Drs. Williams, Sutherland, Gardiner, Revs. J. Gray, Crompton, G. Webber, Judge Jones, Judge Dean, Messrs. T. Thompson, A. L. Morden, J. MacLaren, and Windiatt.

The Committee on the Conference Seal recommended that it bear the words, "The Methodist Church organized in Canada 1843," with the Scriptural motto, "Christ whom we

It was decided that the date for the united church to enter on its legal existence should be not later than the 1st of ory were so many bridges unsafe as at July.

A large and influential committee was appointed to secure all necessary legis-

Rev. J. Gray and Lieut.-Governor Superannuated Ministers' Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Rice nominated the following gentlemen as the Conference Special Committee to whom, in conjunction with the General Superintendents. is entrusted the government of the Church in the interval between each General Conference: Revs. Dr. Rose, Dr. Elliott, Dr. Pickard, Dr. Nelles, W. Herridge, E. Roberts, W. Piritte, Dr. Sanderson, S. F. Huestis, W. G. Brewn and G. Abbs.

THIRTEENTH DAY. WEDNESDAY, Sept. 19th. Rev. W. R. Parker called attention to the fact that on the General Conference Special Committee two gentlemen had been appointed who were not members of the General Conference. In his opinion the members of this committee should be drawn solely from the General Conference. He asked the president's

ruling on the point. The President said that his own judgement and conviction were that if the General Conference is at liberty to appoint one to its numbers, it is at liberty to appoint two, and if it is at liberty to appoint two it is at liberty to appoint twelve. He thought that they should be members of the General Conference.

A motion to re-consider the matter was agreed to, and the Hon. J. Ferrier and Dr. Inch were nominated in the place of Dr. Rose and Dr. Pickard. Several slight amendments made to

the Course of Study prescribed for probationers met with the approval of the Conference. Rev. Dr. Stone moved and Rev. Dr.

Dewart seconded: "That fraternal delegates from this General Conference be sent to the Methodist Episcopal Church, to the Metho-

the Primitive Methodist Church in England, the Bible Christian Church in England, and to the New Connexion Church in England, and that the following be the delegates:

To the Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. Drs. Nelles and I. B. Aylesworth to the Methodist Church South, Rev. motion was adopted.

Reports of the Committees on Sabbath observance and on relation of children to the Church were adopted.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

Third report of the Committee on Property was considered. It read as

" Having learned that some congregations are somewhat unsettled in conequence of a rumor having reached them that their churches and property may be sold without their being con-sulted, we beg to submit the following:

"1. That as we understand the Basis of Union, no church or parsonage can be sold without the consent of the trustees of said church or parsonage. "2. That we recommend that all sel fsustaining churches be allowed to con-

tinue as they now are until they themselves express a desire for change." Rev Dr. Carman moved addition of following clause;

"That in case the disposal of proper-ty is plainly desirable before the legal consummation of Union, it shall be competent for the united district meetings and the chairmen, superintendents and presiding elders, and united trustee boards, to act as in the Basis proceeding with a good degree of unanimity."

The clause was agreed to, and the report, as a whole, adopted.

Rev. Dr. Rice said there was one matter he would like to mention. Many of the General Conference officers resided in Toronto, which necessitated their being elected by the Toronto Conference as representatives to the General Conference, thus preventing the election of some of the active ministers. He would like the General Conference officers to be distributed through the different Conferences of the Church, so that it might not press unjustly on one or two, or that General Conference officers should be allowed to come to General Confer ence in virtue of their office.

The President said the latter arrange ment would destroy the balance existing between the lay and clerical delegate unless special provision was made, and in that case the Toronto Conference would have an enormous preponder

Rev. Dr. Rice said it did not seem fair to the brethren in active work that they should not get a chance of being

Rev. Dr. Dewart thought that som thought their chances of being elected were lessened by the General Conference officers residing in a Conference. On the other hand, General Conference officers felt that their chances of election should not be lessened because they were in connexional offices.

Rev. Mr. Bond would be inclined to resist to the utmost any tendency to bring in any man to that Conference becauge of his office. The injustice felt was met by the fact that Toronto received a larger number of superannuated ministess for each of whom a lay representative was appointed.

Rev. Dr. Dewart said that would not satisfy the active ministers.; Rev. Dr. Rice saked leave to with-

draw the matter, as they had not time Aikins were appointed treasurers of the to discuss it fully. The subject then dropped.

### BREVITIES.

It is not what you see that makes you popular among your friends; it is what

There was a great deal of French human nature in the remark of a lady who, holding a glass of water in her hand, said, "O, if it were only wicked to drink this, how nice it would be!" The cut of the coat and the length of

hair have no connection with religion. Yet judging from appearances, one would suppose that in not a few instances they were considered the most important part of it. A very colored man who charged

another with assaulting and beating him, on being told by the judge that no marks were visible, indignantly rejoined, Does ye s'pose he hid me wid a piece of chalk ?" The trial proceeded. Of thirty marriages between American

girls and titled Germans, Consul Potter (at Crefield) assures us that all but one have resulted in abandonment, separation, divorce, or some other dis-Chicago appears to be the paradise of the liquer trade. It contains one drinking saloon to every 160 of population, ex-

pends for liquor \$50 per capita for every man, woman and child, and consumes \$32,000,000 every year for intoxicants. New York possesses a school for plumbers. We are glad of this. It is time that a plumber should learn to compute more accurately than to make ten minutes' work with a soldering iron and four hours of love-making to the

\$19,84. - Boston Post. Bishop McTyeire was holding a Conference, and a project that promised great results was being discussed. A good brother opposed it, saying, 'It may do in the long run, but just now it will be inconvenient.' Very quietly and conclusively the Bishop said, "We dist Episcopal Church South, the Wes- go for the long run. That is the true

An English publication has engaged pencil sketches from the Princess Bea-trice, it is sail, and agreed upon a price

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Gerald Massey, the English factory boy, the workingmen's poet, "had no childhood," he tells us. He learned to read at a penny school; the rest he worked out himself. One of the greatest trials housekeep

ers have to undergo during the hot weather is, that of washing day. Happily there is practical relief for them in the use of James Pyle's Pearline. A Chinese thus describes a trial in the

English law courts: "One man is quite silent, another talks all the time, and twelve wise men condemn the man who has not said a word."

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acie in horses. To one bottle Johnson's Anodyne Liniment add same quantity of molasses and same quantity of water and pour down the horse's throat. A bad ending: "Well, William what's become of Robert?" "What, aven't you 'eard, sir?" "No. Not de-

funct, I hope." "That's just exactly what he 'as done, sir, and walked off with hevery thing he could lay his 'ands It the majority of the people of Irethey would unmoor the island from its nings in the deep, and move it at least two thousand miles to the west.-

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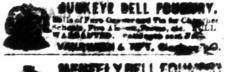
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