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The Church, in some places, has undertaken to amuse the people. In searching for a detail of its divinely. appointed functions, this cannot be found. - Nash. Adv.

A correspondent of the Christian Observer asks two questions of much significance and point: "1. Does Chronicle: "I doubt if I ever would the 'narrow way which leadeth unto life,' lead through the ball room? 2. If so, which of the Christian graces of that home preacher who rocked my do the ball-room exercises have a cradle. At the starting point of peculiar tendency to develop?"

People who, with our improved postal service, have the letter box on the street corner, can hardly appreciate the isolation of a missionary on the Congo, in Africa. He writes: "I intend starting off again this after noon to post the news." To do it he had to walk one hundred and forty miles, and then sail over one hundred down the river in a boat.

Ex Lieutenant Governor Cumback, of Indiana, says: "The average saloon keeper has no politics. He will be a rampant Republican to-day and a roaring Democrat to morrow, just as he may promote his traffic. His politics may be said to be the unrestrained right to sell a cents' worth of beer for five cents, and two cents' worth of winskey for a dime. No other question in politics interests him beyond that."

Christ says, the "kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness." Yet some seem to think that all sorts of folly and dissipation can be atoned for by a few weeks' regimen of fish and eggs. They observe "times and seasons," forgetting the weightier matters of the law. It is a significant fact that the large ecclesiastical organizations which give the greatest attention to the calendar, give the least to consistent conduct. - Western Adv.

Referring to the result of revivals, one paper expresses the opinion that pastors need not felicitate themselves much upon revivals that do not create a demand for papers, for books, for truth, for increased knowledge. thing they may be sure of, such revivals will give fresh illustrations of results of seed sowing on stony ground, where there is no deepness of earth. The church of to-day that is not intelligent is weak -Rel. Intelligencer.

"Dress-coat pneumonia" is the latest aggravation. During the opera season men who had dressed warmly all day appeared in the evening in rooms not overly high-temperatured, with low-cut vests, thin coats, thin gloves, etc. We have been accustomed to charge such folly upon the female sex alone. It seems scarcely just. What long-continued discomfort people will submit to with the stage before them? If it were a pulpit, such an outcry as would be raised !

Captain Howgate, the notorious defaulter, can join the number of in Egypt, and appears to have abanabsconders who must smile at the doned for the time his Christian profesastuteness of American detectives. The other day a Washington lawyer found that it would be absolutely necessary for him to add the signature of Captain Howgate to a transfer deed. An acquaintance offered to attend to the matter. Within twenty-four hours back came the deed, duly signed by the defaulter. The Government officials have been vainly hunting him for months. - Independent.

The late James Smith, of Cheltenham, said: Tracts and religious journals can go everywhere; they know no fear; Lever grow weary cost little; go up and down like the angels of God; talk to a multitude as well as to one; require no public room to tell their story; they can tell it in the shop, the kitchen, parlor, or drawing room; in the railway carriage or the tramcar; on the highway, on the here are the mortgage and the notes footpath, or the fields. They may be made the vehicle of all truth—the teachers of all classes and creeds. Irish Christian Advocate.

The American Methodist Committee on Missions in their report to the North India Conference urge that in baptizing of native converts the giving of English names should be generally avoided, and in changing, let it be another native name; also recommending all our preachers to study to find out those methods that promise most success in native work, as methods of operation more in keeping with the customs of the natives of India promise greater success than some of our Western ideals of church services and work.

The rebellious students at Princeton and Hamilton colleges can hardly be pleased by the situation in which they find themselves. At Princeton they have backed down completely; while the Hamilton Seniors have just been porting to the Archbishop of Mesinformed that they will not be allowed ains what they had done

to enter Union College. The chances THE CHINESE OF BRITISH five years' education in my own counare, therefore, that June will find the "men" without their Hamilton degrees. After such results, the faculties of these two colleges ought to pluck up their spirits and their courage. They are reasonably sure

have been drawn to the service of Christ Jesus but for the faithfulness nearly every minister's life stands a Christian mother. Dr. Potts request. ed all of us students in Princeton Theological Seminary who had praying mothers to rise up, and in an instant nearly the whole one hundred and fifty were on their feet. There we stood, a living witness of the power's shaping influence and example."

The Ritualists of the Auglican 'Fathers" and getting absolution do not get much comfort from their Roman Catholic friends. One of them points to a dreadful leak out of which all the confidential communications of the Confessional may dribble, in the following words: "We believe that the principal trouble with confession among our Ritualistic friends is the fact that they have a married clergy. Woman is curious. Even a clergyman will be tormented by his wife to know what particular sins thus and so is guilty of; and if he is a man he will tell her. -Ex.

The Southern Christian Advocate gives this view of Wendell Phillips from the Southern standpoint: "Our Northern exchanges are hav-

ing spasms of admiration over the unselfish patrictisin of the late Wendell Phillips. They never tire of the fol-\$100 a lecture ; on Slavery, I'll lecture free and pay my own expenses.' yet that tells the whole story. He left a fortune of a quarter of a million, but did nothing while living and left nothing at death for the brother in black except talk."

The Indian Witness, writing on the exactions of society takes occasion to remark: "Ordinary Christians utterly refuse to do for Christ what they cheerfully perform for society. They will go to an evening party at halfpast nine without a murmur and return nome at midnight with absolute satisfaction, but they refuse to attend a religious meeting which interferes with either dinner or sleep. If the Christians of India would only serve their Master with one half the zeal which the children of the world display in the service of their master, the Empire would soon be revolutionized."

We regret to say that Ahmed Tewfik. the Mehammedan ulema whose baptism two years ago excited so much interest. has separated himself from Mr. Klein sion. We say for a time, because his acts and words have been so strange. and so unlike those of a sane man. that it is believed that his mind has been unhinged by his lengthened trials and anxieties, by the separation from his family, and by the efforts of the Moslems at Cairo to win him back. We earnestly commend him to the. prayers of our friends. -C. M. S.

A unique celebration of a hundred years of Methodism was held at Pearsalls, L. I., on Sunday. After the morning service the pastor, the Rev. George Filmer, put a pine board on the altar-rail; on that, a saucepan; in that pan, a package of law papers. Touching a match to them, he said Here are the documents which have so long weighted down our church; Rejoice with me at their funeral pure. Holding his hands over the flame, the pastor, who had struggled hard to raise the debt, said that "it warmed his

young lady, the accomplished daughter of the Rev. Gaetano Scuderi, Evangelical minister, well known in Italy, died while in Sicily for the beneat of her health, and was buried in the cemetery of Mandanici, in the presence of a large concourse of people, an English minister officiating, and several gentlemen of official position in the island or Naples being among the mourners. "The funeral being ended," says an eye-witness, "a truly grotesque scene followed. Two priests of Mandanici (names given) stepped forward to rebless the ground that had been thus profaned in the interment of a corpse by an Evangelical minister, afterwards re-

very soul." That kind of cremation

is Christian. - N. Y. Adv.

COLUMBIA.

BY THE REV. D. V. LUCAS.

I have long felt that it would be an everlasting disgrace to those who of their places for some time. - N. Y. dwell in the central and eastern parts of the Dominion if they should per-Dr. Cuyler says in the Fxaminer and mit a pagan temple to be erected on Columbia. First of all, it must be fulour British soil without making every effort in their power to prevent it.

some God who will pity, and aid, and graduate of our university, gold medtion to the rule. If we who know the faculty for teaching children, making er of a mother's prayers, and a moth- living God, who only can pity, aid, everything so plain and simple that all and comfort the soul, refuse or ne- comprehend at least so much of glect to tell them of Him, then they his teaching as to make each lesson a Church who are confessing to their must continue to cry out to those gods tempting bait to induce them to come to whom their fathers have gone for again. Let no one, however gifted,

bound to obey the command. But these people are not unwilling to be taught the way of salvation. The success which has attended Christian missions among the Chinese in Califorma proves this. The Chinese, wherever found, are the most industrious people on the globe. If no man-them a bird's nest, and tell them of ual labor can be obtained (and they will turn their hand to anything whereby an honest living can be made) they will resort to hawking small lowing. When asked to lecture, he wares from door to door. To do this, their great characteristics. would reply: 'On a literary subject, or to do almost anything satisfactorily, your missionary must have the Chinaman sees that it is for him to know the language of his sustomers. Here is our opportunity. He is very anxious to learn so much of the language at any rate ashe needs for his occupation. It is true, he has only "an eye to business." If, however, the Christian teacher is as much in earnest in going about to do his Master's business, he will not slight this opening, however narrow it may

> Over and above all mere thoughts of gain, Chinamen universally believe in and admire education. They look meon it as the only road to all that is real in distinction and fame. And the Christian who has not made a study of this great subject. (Chinese Evangelization), will be ascenished to and how many of these people, toiling away at the humblest occupations, can read and write well, and east up ac-

counts with wonderful rapidity. I had a copy of the Gospel of Luke in the Chinese language. I wanted to test a washerman in this city (Montreal) as regards his ability to read. I succeeded after a little careful application, in making out the beginning of the parable of the prodigal son. In ed him to tell me what those characters represented in English. He look ed at it in such a funny way with his little almond shaped eyes, and said, "O, yes, it say, a man he got two boys." L asked him to come to my church, and I had no difficulty, in getting him to attend.

When preaching in Victoria, scarcely aver failed to see one or more Chinamen at our service. One of these, Dong Shoi, who had made considerable progress in English, was accustomed to mark down words which he did not quite know the meaning of, and as soon as he reached home. would consult his English diction-

tion, each one said, "I received lasting as eternity. -- Dr. Duff.

try." We shall always find the Chin-

ese willing learners. The saying, that "what is worth doing at all, is worth doing well," was

never more applicable than in the matter of establishing Christian missions among the Chinese in British ly understood, that the teacher goes among them "to stay." It is only to But what are we doing or what have that which is permanent we can atwe so far done, to prevent it? Man tract them. The itinerant system is a worshipping being. He must will not do in this case. Even the All the instincts and pressing teacher (I mean the missionary) should wants of his soul reach out toward be well educated; I would say, a comfort. The Chinese are no excep- allist at that, if possible; having a despise this way of teaching. Our Our marching orders are, . Go ve great and good Dr. Dawson, of Mcinto all the world and preach the Gos- | Gill University, here, is a model in this pel to every creature." Whether they respect. Taking a tiny flower in his hear or forbear, we, at least, are hand, he will go before a class of one hundred, or any number of children, large and small, and talk so pleasantly of the flower and all its parts, and

of God who made it, and arranged its colors and its form, that the children are all attention, sorry only when he ceases. In like manner he will show instinct, and of God who gave instinct. to the wise little builder. This kind of teaching can never fail to attract the Chinese. Simplicity is one of

will may that I had better apply for an angel at once. No, if we are intent on establishing an efficient mission among these sons of Shem, God will not suffer us to lack good workmen. whem he will endow with all necessary grace, if their hearts are only whelly consecrated to him, and to their glorious work. I have a letter from Mine (Dv.) Howard of Pekin (now of Tien-tein). She says: "The sweet child-like simplicity of these people when once they get hold of the ides of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. feeling his lowe in their hearts, is

something very wonderful " One day a poor Christian China man was carrying a heavy load of vegetables and eggs from the market along the streets of San Francisco. Being tired, he set his banket down for a little, when a young "heodlim" stole up behind him, taking: from the baskat eggs and potatoes, and running to a safe distance, he pelted the Chinaman with them. A gentleman, seeing the whole thing, was very indiguant, and said in a very excited was, "John, why did't you take up covered all the rest, and allowed him. some of these stones, and break the to see only the 11th verse, and I ask. young scoundrel's head?" "Oh, no, replied the poor fellow; me good man, me love Jesus ; by'n bye, me go up to God, then he make it all right."

Though there is considerable oppoaction in British Columbia to the immigration of Chinese in large num; bers, at any rate, they have received much more decent treatment there than has been shown them in Califoruia. Whether their advent into our Pacific Province is a gain to our fellow-citizens there or otherwise, we cannot be mistaken as regards our duty in sending them the Gospel .-Missionary Outlook

We appeal to all who have basked in the aunshine of the Redeemer's Some years ago, five or six China- love, whether the enjoyment felt in men were brought to Christ through promoting the great cause for which the instrumentality of Wesleyan min- he died in agonies on the cross, that isters in Australia. When they were he might see of the travail of his soul about to be baptized they were asked and be satisfied, be not ineffable? to give some account of their past Oh! it is an enjoyment which those lives, as also of their conversion. I who have once tasted it, would not observed that no two of them were exchange for all the treasures of the born or reared in the same province Indian mines, for all the laurels of of China. One in Chih-li, one in Shan- civic success, for all the glittering tung, one in Ho-nan, one in Kwang- splendor of coronets. It is a joy rich se, and so on. Without any excep- as heaven-pure as the Godhead-

"I DO, TEACHER."

At a recent service in the Wesleyan

the life of Miss Eliza Mumford, more greatest of all things?" The quick rewidely known as Lillie Montfort," ply was, "It is not theology, it is the author of Maude Linden, My not controversy; it is saving units." Class for Jesus, and similar books. This has been the key-note with all Though trained in the doctrines and the choicest spirits in Christ's army worship of the Church of England, corps from the days of Paul, whose she "in her fifteenth year became a motto was, "If by all means I may Sunday school teacher in the Keston saze some of them." No one has Congregational Church, and soon won come up to this high calling unter he the affection and esteem of all con- has learned to love an immortal soul nected with the school. So assiduous irrespective of its trappings and sarwas she in the visitation of her schol- roundings-the soul of a beggar as ars in their homes (often walking well as that of a millionaire. David many miles to accomplish her Brannerd-who may perhaps be noobject) that her class rapidly increase garded as the holiest man the American ed in numbers, and she was look- can Church has seen- had for his pared upon by all as a most success, ish the red barbarians on the banks. ful teacher, whilst she herself, not of the Delaware. "I care not," he unnaturally, felt that thrill of satisfac- says, " where I live or how I live, or tion which springs from the due per- what hardships I go through, so that formance of conscious duty. But, I can but gain souls to Christ. Whilealas! with all the running to and fro,' I am asleep, I dreamwof these things she was unconcerned about the spir- as soon as I awake, the first thing I itual condition of those committed to think of is this great work. All my her care, and for the simple, yet ouf desire is the conversion of sinners, and ficient reason that she was a stranger all my hope is in God." to the converting grace of God. But To convert signifies to turn around a change was at hand. Having re and go in the opposite direction. Comsolved to read through with her class version is the penitent sinner's own the entire New Testament, she had act in turning from that path which pursued her plan as far as the third leads hell-ward, and setting his footchapter in the Gospel by St. John, steps into the path of obedience to but felt a strange regugnance to may God. Regeneration is the work of anything about the doctrine of the the Holy Spirit, who influences and new birth therein set forth. Grea by enables the sinner to tern. The Diexercised in mind at being unable to vine Spirit and the human will work answer satisfactorily some of the ques- in blessed partnership; neither can do tions put to her by her scholars, she the worls without the other. But the ventured an explanation, and asked, Apostle James recognizes a thing was aligned into here, and a noft, timed ing a signer from the error of his wasvoice said, 'I do, teacher, but I never Then it appears that said possible for understood it till I felt it.' The re- me to convert my neighbor. Not mark was as 'a nail fastened in a sure course, that I can change his heart or place by the Master of Assemblies, regenerate him into the new life-1:a Baffled and bewildered, the teacher at saved sinner is not, nor ever can be the close of the school sought the a sinner's Saviour. Jesus alone care company of the 'little maid,' who was be that. But I can bring an influencea visitor from London, and heard so to bear upon my neighbor; I can ply much from her and her friends about him with arguments and entreaties; I the Methodists that she resolved to at- can put God'solaims upon him ; Ican set. tend their little preaching-room in the gospel religion before him attractivevillage. The first sermon she heard con- ly by kind, acts and consistent examrinced her of her sinfulness in the ple; and so I may move him to move sight of God, and for aix months she himself toward Christ. This is what carried about with her a deeply-bus- we understand by a Christian's condened conscience. Another sermon verting a soul. Self-conceited iffnerin the same place and by the same ants and certain noisy revivalists depreacher, on 'Beheld now is the ac- indeed, often boast of the number of epted time, behold now is the day of their converts, which prove to be as: salvation, assured her of the possi- worthless specimens, as Whitefield's. bility of a present salvation for her: tipsy friend who claimed to be hisand her soul, quietly, resting in Jesus's convert. But still the mighty factlove, was immediately 'filled with remains, for God's Word deslares it, peace and joy in believing.' She at that a servant of Jesus can convert at edist society in this town, walking to save a soul from death. - Dr. Chyless and fro to her weekly class-meeting; in Congregationalist! and with the exception of an interval ot three months, when under the atress of a subtle temptation, har allegiance to Methodism never wavered. Of her class leader at that time she has often spoken to me with affectionate regard. She now felt it her duty to give her services to the church of her choice, and modived henceforth to be a 'teacher of one book : 'mighty in the scriptures.' i' My class for Jesus' was her motto : it was written indeably upon her heart : it gave point to all her instruction : it quickened all her prayers; and silently declared itself throughout her life." In spite of her life of suffering the results of her consecrated tool are en shrined in hundreds of loving hearts. The value of her connection with Methedism in this town cannot be overestimated. As a class leader she was

If every person would be half as good as he expects his neighbor to be, what a heaven this world would be

very successful and her letters are in

all lands, as may be seen by replies

dated from Australia, New Zealand,

America, Sierra Leone, and South

Oh! when we meet in heaven, we on earth .- Pousson.

No. 12

CONVERTING SOULS. "You know a great deal, Dr. Beech-Church, Bromley, Kent, the Rev. C. er" said a man to the Boanerges on E. Wansbrough read a summary of Litchfield Hill, "but what is the

nce identified hasself with the Meth- sinner from his evil way and thus

Unless grace is given to make a man. strong in the Lord, educated believers. in these days are frequently tempted: to aspire after the position of "leadern of thought," " men who are abreast of the times." Old fashioned believers are at a discount, and are sneered at as a kind of idiots. This is not a pleasant experience for those who know they are the equals, if not the superiors, of their despisers-

In self-examination take no account of yourself by your thoughts and reselutions in the days of religion and solemnity, but examine how it is with you in the days of ordinary conversation and in the oircumstances of secu-

God never accepts a good inclination instead of a good action, where that action may be done; nay, so much the contrary, that if a good inclination be not seconded by a good action, the want of that action is made so much the more criminal and inexensable.---

God is better served in resisting a shall see how little we knew about it temptation to evil than in many focOUR HOME CIRCLE.

FOR THE HOLE SPIRIT.

"I have put my Spirit upon him."

Guide of the feet of Jesus;
Strength of His loyal soul;
Help of His heart when broken,
The balm which made it whels;

Joy of His hours of leisure;
Peace of His hours of woe;
Fount of the prayer He uttered
In pity for His foe; Eyes of His heart when seeing, In bird, and field, and flower,

The kindly, homely gentleness Of God's almighty power; Hand of His love when touching

That sweet, mysterious something

Which gently searched the soul: The rain which filled the fountains Ot tears in sinners' e es; The look which more than h arning Made sumple people wise;

The sick ones He made whole;

That charm in Jesus' bearing, From cradle on to grave, Which was from sin and sorrow God's mighty power to save;-

Come Spirit, to my spirit, and give to me His grace, Diffuse The self through all my life, I brou is hands, and tongue, and face.

Give all my powers His beauty, Make (brist-like all my days, Transform any every action l'o His most gracious ways. Inspire me, Holy Scirit,

hou Holy Lamb and Dove. And make me, as was Jesus, Thy child, bright God of love! -Evangelical Churchman.

A WOMAN'S INFLUENCE.

Another famous American has passed out of our sight, and now his home, which, in this instance, into a church. When his biograsurely, "was the power behind the throne." Wendell Phillips owed, it is safe enough to ray, much | and his truth taught, and his father. In his early home that and his word studied, and even his streets of Boston, over whose

footsteps of a slave."

the future. How many thousands have come down to inspire our who know much of "the first Am- weak, gross lives. Was ever any erican gentleman" and " the fore- grand, unselfish thing done on most American orator," hardly earth without a woman's heart know that he had a wife, How being in it somewhere?—O. A. many have pointed to that hum- Curtis in N. W. Adv. ble house almost buried by the trade of Essex street and said, "Wendell Phillips lives there." and never dreamed that in one of these rooms behind the closed shutters was an invalid woman who seldom could leave her own apartment, and yet who had done more for the nation than all State street and all Beacon street. It is so easy to become ecstatic over the mountain and to utterly forget the warm, bright aunlight which has made the mountain so beautiful and grand de Annie Greene married Wendell Phillips only to fill his life with light and heat and power. In Boston I the baby is laid in the little craonce heard, as a fragment of seeret history, the story of their courtship. It was merry and loving, and yet as sucred and earnest last sleep, that she will give full as a sacrement. They were not romantie triflers nor even mere passionate lovers. They dared to talk over the woes of life, and dared to ask serious and awful questions about the future of the nation and of the world. She would not become bethrothed until he had pledged himself to fully sacrifice all he had—his family, his position in cultured society, his brilliant openings toward fame, his severe artistic tastes, all tions of wife and mother, they are his polished refinements—to the cause of the poor, the vulgar and the oppressed. How often it has been said that after the war the great abolitionist did not know how to spend his time, as if such a man could play only one string. apprenticeship ended, you seach Probably his greatest oration has out of yourself and ask for larger been delivered since the proclam- duties, for a wider field of labor ation of emancipation; and the anti-slavery struggle was only a fragment of the map ever before relation of daughter, filling the the eyes of the suffering woman old established home with mild in Essex street. She planned for radiance which would seem but a every poor, and weak and needy dim light in a new one. child of earth. He took the pledge as she demanded, and then turned his life toward philanthropy and reform. She then turned her power; therefore a Christian faith

house was full of leve and good She was never discouragcheer. ed, and her courage became a part of his beart. The more he grew to love her the braver he became, until he became as fearless as a Spartan. People said, "I cannot understand his calm bearing.' They did not know that his teacher was a gentle woman, whose whole suffering life was one solid piece of courage. Truly he could have said like one of old : "Thy gentleness hath made me great; yet her tengue flung off laughter and jokes as easily as Martin Luther could spring from prayer to pastime; and many a day the weary orator could drop his awful burden for an hour under her rippling fus. Her discernment of character was well-nigh absolute, and such sycophants as Daniel Webster (Mr. Phillips called Webster "Sir Sycophant") were analyzed in her room long before they were analyzed in his addresses. Her wit was as keen as the "wicked wit of Sydney Smith." and doubtless many of the orator's famous expressions, such as "that monkey in convulsions,"

applied to Rufus Cheate; "that

tea-table organ of the Boston

snobs," applied to the Boston

Transcript, were caught from her

wonderful conversation. I would not for a mement excuse Wendell Phillips' treatment of the church. It was not only unjust, but it was foolish; yet to call this man unchristian is fully as unjust and fully as foelish. The fact is, that the church did not to the land is full of his name. him, seem to be true to its duty, While others laud the orator and and so he made a church of his the reformer, I call attention to own. He made his own house phy is published it will be clearly seen that Christ was worshipped, more to his mother than to his hymns sungand his prayer made proud spirit which was the se- supper administered in his wife's cret of his "patrician air," a spir- room. Wendell Phillips never it inherited from generations of fully lifted the veil, but he was rich living, was largely influenced | wont to say in some mocds some I believe by a kind and wise and things which I interpret as I have firm mother. His taker has been done. The exact facts, both as called vacillating, but his mother to his mother and as to his would seem to have been in posi- wife, will appear before long. But' tive character almost an ideal now, while the land is full of to her in as beautiful a passage as | behind the famous life was a quiet... is to be found in any of his speech- loving, thoughtful, self-sacrificing, es: "I love inexpressibly these religious Christian home. It seems that more of the glory giv payements my mother held up en to men shoul! be given to their tenderly my baby feet, and, if God epouses. Men alohe would often grants me time enough, I will be powerless or cowardly were it This early influence was but a fee brave and so holy, that a part of ble prophecy of his own home of the high bear on seems verily ito

WAIT AWHILE, GLAUS!

When a man chooses the prosession of law he does " not expect to be a musician and a journalist also: he knows that if he would succeed he must devote himself to the one chosen calling. When a weman marries she realizes; that in order to reach the lofty heights in wife and metherhood she must sacrifice lesser aims. She must be willing to lay aside the delightful occupations that make her girlhood pleasant; she must know that from the hour when dle, dressed with loving forethought, to that danker hour when the mature man lies down in his meaning to the words "constant care;" that her mind, once unfettered, will be at liberty no more, but is bound by ties stronger than life or death to those who have ed platform he stands looking in come to her from out the great

unknown. Wait awhile, girls; think it all over before you promise to become wives to take these duties, and burdens upon you. Sweet and satisfying as are the obliganot to be taken lightly. A husband must not be looked upon as a sort of perpetual beau, and children as extremely uncertain less, like Wilhelm Meister, your you had better stay at home with father and mother, dignifying the

Science has no faith-begetting such a home as would be rare wisdom, but on the power of God even among the angels. Her renewing the heart.—Heubner.

ALICE CARY'S DYING HYMN.

Earth, with its dark and dreadful ills, Recedes and fades away; Lift up your heads, ye heavenly hills, Ye gates of death give way.

My soul is full of whispered song My blindness is my sight, The shadows that I feared so long Are all alive with light.

And while my pulses faintly beat My taith does so abound, I feel grow firm beneath my feet The green immortal ground.

That faith, to me a courage gives, Low as the grave to go; knew that my Redeemer lives, That I shall live to know.

The palace walls I almost see. Where dwells my Lord and King; O grave! where is thy victory O death! where is thy sting?

OUTCAST RUSSIA.

an appalling paper in the Nine-

"Outcast Russia" is the title of

teenth Century for December. We have fallen into a way of thinking that the old stories of Siberian exile were exaggerations. But the cold facts of the present decade are worse, more harrowing, than the old tales. In ten years more than 165,000 persons have been transported to Siberia. Many of them were exiled for petty offences, which are punished by small fines or a few days of prison in our countries. It is as though a New York police magistrate could condemn those whom he sends to Blackwell's Island for ten or thirty days to a foot journey of 4,000 miles toward the North Pole. Nay, it is worse. It is as though the policemen had this power. Worse yet feeds reflection when we remember that a large part of the exiles are transported for political and religious opinions. The foot journey over frozen deserts, in rags and half fed, used to be 4,700 miles. It is now redeced to 2,065 miles for some, 2,940 for others, and 4,500 for the least fortunate. But the short journey has more horrors than the long one. The first stage is made in springless carriages that jolt the life out of many. The second stage is from Tumen to Tomsk in floating prisons—a ten days' journey which is awful in New England mation. He alludes his praise, let us remember that its misery. From eight to ten per cent, of the convicts die of filth-begotten diseases on this appeared, but there is an atmos- his knee a good dead in jumping family. What did he do with it? terrible voyage 800 on each barge; from 60 to 80 deat ten days! At Tomsk there clear its work, stern, cruel, and or wash my face and head. Almost lifting a box to send her. As one terror called a prison. It was relentless in character and mis-directly after the accident had after another brought their gifts. ten days! At Tomsk there built for 960. It never holds less make them too pure to bear the not for semebody at home who then 1,300, and often holds 2,200. lives a quiet life, so beautiful, so One quarter of the prisoners are yet firm before the judges. sick, but only one-third of them have a chance in the infirmary. The air of the place is deadly to healthy men Then comes the journey of 2.000 miles on foot. The prisoners go out in companies of 500; each convict wears a chain at his ankle; another chain on his hands; a third chain ties together groups of six or eight. Beaind the convicts march those who are condemned to settle in Siberia; unchained; but miserable beyond description. And this march lasts for nine months. They camp at night in etapes, built long agointo hold 150 persons, three persons in the space made for one; and, as a rule there are no separate rooms for women! Very few of the children survive the terrible pilgrimage. It is Prince Krapetkine, a well-known writer, who writes these hard facts respecting "Outcast Russia."

> JESUS AND THE YOUNG MAN.

The youth, climbing the stair of eternal life, had come to a landing-place where not a step more was visible. On the cloud-swathwain for further ascent. What he thought within himself be wanted I cannot tell; his idea of eternal life, I do not know. I can herdly think it was but the poor idea of living forever all that commen place minds grasp at for eternal life its mere concomitant shadow, in itself not worth thinking about, not for a moment to be disputed, and taken for granted of existance would be to me the un surpassable curse itself being a but Alice was not at all reassured. must have held in it, though box indicated that Smith could perhaps only in solution, all such notions as he had concerning God and man and a common righteous ness, if While he thus stands then? God himself come to meet the climbing youth, to take him by out, 'What's the matter?' There which would otherwise pass by.

the hand and lead him up his own | was an awful pause, during which stair, the only stair by which as Alice said, 'We are upsetting.' In cent can be made. He shows him another moment—during which the first step of it through the I had time to reflect whether we miet. His feet are heavy; they should be killed or not, and thought have golden shoes. To go up that | there were still things I had not stair he must throw aside his shoes. He must walk barefooted carriage turned over on its side, into eternal life. Rather than so, and we were all precipitated to the rather than stride free limbed up the everlasting stair to the bosom of the Father, he will keep his near the carriage, the horses both precions shoes! It is better to on the ground, and Brown called drag them about on the earth, than out in despair, 'The Lord Alpart with them for a world where | mighty have mercy upon us ! they are useless ! But how mis- | Who did ever see the like of this erable his precious things, his gold- | before? I thought you were all en vessels, his embroidered gar- killed. Alice was soon helped up ments, his stately house, must by means of tearing all her clothes have seemed when he went back to disentangle her; but Lenchen, to them from the face of the who also had got caught in her Lord! Surely, it cannot have dress, called out very piteously, been long before in shame and which frightened me a good deal misery he cast all from him, even but she was also got out with as Judas cast from him the thirty | Brown's assistance, and neither pieces of silver, in the agony of she nor Alice was at all hurt. I everyone who awakes to the fact | reassured them that I was not that he has preferred money to hurt, and urged that we should the Master. For, although never | make the best of it, as it was an can man be saved without being inevitable misfortune. Smith, freed from his possessions, it is yet unterly confused and bewildered, only hard, not impossible, for a at length came up to ask if I was rich man to enter the kingdom of | burt. Meantime the horses were God.—George Macdonald.

THE INQUISITION

CHAMBER. Santiago, in Spain, you pass into | borses were speedily released and the chamber, once used for the got up unburt. There was now purpose of the Inquisition. Here no means of getting home except the council would sit; here the by sending back Smith with the two victims would be examined and placed on the preliminary rack All this took some time, about for the purpose of bending them half an hour, before we got off. to the will of their tormentors. By this time I felt that my face And those who know anything of the Spanish disposition, which still rejoices in the sight of human suffering and the chancing of human life, can realize something of the lengths to which the Inquisi-The walls of the room were pad-

tion carried its cruelties. ded and massive, the windows with the bottom of the carriage deep. No sound of debate or confession, or the cries of the tortured could escape. Later on, it was used as a royal bedchamber, and is still hung with the tapestry a lantern, Brown holding another, that then decorated its walls. All trace of its previous office has disphere that must cling to it for off the carriage A little claret Imagination sees the counsion. The rack occupies the middle of the chamber, its prey, pale ed on the dread instrument. You bear the cracking of the machinery as it is slowly set in motion onesturn and yet another until the agony is complete. The sighs of the victim lurk in the corners of the roomen greans and shricks escape upwards to heaven and ory aloud for vengeance; but he there is no pity in the hearts, of those tonturers, no response beyond a savare pleasure, and purpose betrayed by the kindling glance, the parting of citel lips, the gleam of white teeth. And some, with whom the spirit, indeed, was willing but the flesh was weak, wielding ; and some suffered to the bit-

ter end-Yes, the place was haunted; doubly haunted. A thousand pale ghosts are there, the room was tuil of them. Through every pane of glass in the mallioned windows there peered the plantom eye of a martyr. Centuries have passed since these things were done, wet their horrors are as distant as if but of yesterday, as present as they will be on that aday when the secrets of all hearts shall be brought to light, at 18 !

- विकास के पर A ROYAL MISHAP

"We started about twenty minutes to seven from Altnagiuthasach, Brown on the box next Smith, who was driving, little Willem (Alice's black serving me, nor jet to you." minutes to seven from Altnagiuboy) behind It was quite dark when we left but all the lamps were lit as wenal; from the first. however, Smith seemed to be quite confused (and, indeed, has been by all devout Jews. When a man much altered of late), and got off has eternal life, that is, when he | the road several times, once in a is one with God, what should he very dangerous place, when Alice do but live on forever? Without called out and Brown got off the oneness with God the continuance | box to show him the way. After that, however, though going very all but unsurpassable curse the slowly we seemed to be all right. God other than the God I see in and thought Brown's holding up Jesus. Yet whatever his idea, it the lantern all the time on the not see where he was going, though the road was as broad and plain as possible. Suddenly, about two miles from Altnagiuthasach. alone and helpless, behold athe and about twenty minutes after whole life toward him. She made should not rest, upon scholastic form of the Sensef Man have is we had started the carriage began

settled and wanted to do-the ground. I came down very hard with my face upon the ground, lying on the ground as if dead, and it was absolutely necessary to get them up again. Alice, whose calmness and coolness were admirable, held one of the lamps while Brown cut the traces, to From the Chapter House at the horror of Smith, and the horses to get another carriage. was a good deal bruised and swollen, and, above all, my right thumb was excessively painful and much swollen; indeed L thought at first it was broken till we began to move it. Alice advised then that we would sit down in the carriage—that is, as a back-which we did, covered with plaids, little Willem sitting in the front, with the hood of his 'bournous' over his head, holding and being indetatigable in his attention, and care He had hunt was all we could get either to drink culat its work, stern, cruel, and or wash my face and head. Almost hilling a box to send here. As one happened, I said to Alice it was Willie said, "I want to give my terrible not to be able to tell it to my dearest Albert, to which she us. I am thankful that it was by no imprudence of mine, or the slightest deviation from what my it on its distant errand. beloved one and I had always been in the habit of doing, and

> I call that mind free which sets no bounds to its love; which is not imprisoned in itself, or in a sect; which recognizes in all to go to a school over the moun-human beings the image of God, and the rights of his children; and was a great help to the misquers pride, anger and sloth, and him one. 10 11821191 offers itself up a willing victim to the cause of mankind. - William E. Channing.

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ed."-From the Queen's New Book.

OUR YOUNG POLKS.

WOULD NOT BAY HIS PRAYERS. " Mamma can go down stairs; I shall not say my prayers, For I've acthing to be thankful for!" my "There's all the other boys
With multitudes of toys,
And books, and dege, and ponies; but we're
poor, and I'm denied."

Ask Papa!" And I sought him; With eager steps I brought him (Myself so shocked and wondering I sent

His father heard with sorrow; But simply said; "To-morrow Kau'll find His choicest blessings unto both our lives are known. God guard you while you're sleeping; Then down the stairs we softly went and left our boy alone. But in the early morning,

His father, without warning, Placed bandages across his lips, his ears, and Deef, dumb, and blind together, My boy would soon learn whether God had given him any blessings that e'en the poor would prize. Long ere the morning ended

His grateful thanks ascended For the blessed gifts of sight and speech Who gives unstinted measu Of light and sound. With pleasure He meekly said his little prayer that night at set of sun.
—Sophie Esstman, in Independent

A guilty conscience is like whirlpool, drawing in all to itself EASTERN POSTMEN.

A little girl once asked a missionary how in the world she ever got her letters, living in a place where there are no railroads. This is the answer given in the Little

The letters come from New York across the Atlantic to Eng. land by steamship; from England across the Straits of Dover in a small steamer to France; down through France and Italy to Brindisi by train; from Brindisi across the Mediterranean Sea to Cairo, Egypt, by steamer; from Cairo to Suez by train; from Suez by ship through the Suez Canal, Red Sea, etc., to Bombay; from Bombay, across Hindustan by train to Howra, a city north of Calcuttal From Howra, the mail is brought by postmen to Dhubri. Assam, where it is assorted and put into bugs to be taken to the different stations. The load for one man must not weigh over thirty pounds.

The postman runs or trots with a little bag on a stick which be carries across his shoulder. On the end of the stick is a cluster of bells to warn people to clear the road. Some carry a horn which they blow if any one is in the road. The distance between the rest-houses is seven miles. The men go with a peculiar motion. the body bent forward, one hand holding the stick on which the mail-bag hangs, the other spread out as though to ward off anything that might come in the way. They half trot, half run. Their clothing consists of a white cloth on the head and one worn around the waist, extending to the knees. With the exception of a glance, they never notice any one they meet. A postman always brings to my mind the words of Elisha to his servant: "Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thy hand and go thy way; if thou meet any man salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again.'

WHAT A PENNY CAN DO.

Willie's penny made heaven rejoice. It would not have bought more than a stick or two of candy. or given much help to a starving His sister was a missionary's wife penny Bus to one set y

What shall be Lought with refuses their bidding and is plac- answered, But he knows it all, it?" was the next question. It was and Lam sure he watched over decided to buy a tract and write its history on the margin, and with a prayer for its success send

The box arrived on the mission ground, and among its valuable contents, Willie's gift was hid away unnoticed, and for a while forgotten. But God's watchful, alloseeing eye had not forgotten it.

One day a native teacher was starting from the mission station to go to a school over the mounwhich delights and virtue and signaries that he was not a Chrissympathizes with suffering, where tian. To He had resisted everything ever they are seen ; which con the missionaries had done to make

In looking over some papers, Willie's tract was discovered, with writing on the margin which said that prayer was offered in America that it might do good at It was handed to the native teacher! He read it on his journey, and what years of labor by the missionaries had not done was now brought about by the penny tract. The man became a sincere Christian. Those who put the tract in his hands were very full of joy; and there is joy in heaven over one sinner that repents.

So you see how Willie's penny made heaven rejoice. Missionary News.

God Counts .- A brother and sister were playing in the diningroom, when their mother set a basket of cakes on the tea-table and went out. "How nice they look!" said

the boy, reaching to take one. His sister earnestly objected, and even drew back his hand, repeating that it was against their mother's direction.

" She did not count them," said "But perhaps God did," an-

swered the sister. and "You are right," he replied; God does count, for the Bible says that 'the very hairs of your head are all numbered."

Prayer is ever profitable—at night it is our covering; in the morning it is our armor. Prayer should be the key of the day and the lock of the night.—Feltham.

PARENTS A.

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SCHOOL.

The object of the Sunday-school among children is precisely the same as the object of the Church generally in the world, viz. : to bring souls into saving communion with God, to make the bad good, and the good better. Surely there are few parents who will not sympathise with the teachers in their intense desire thus to bless, and enrich and save the children.

There is a story of the magical stone which became whatever its possessor most ardently wished. If he were hungry, its hard grey surface became soft white bread; if he were weary, it stretched itself out into the | themselves to tobacco. Smoking is blanket, to receive his tired body; if | not only a waste of time and money, he were sick, it quickly melted into the healing medicine. What a treasure! But if by strong desire we could secure for our children what | fishness; almost every idler is a smowe would, who can doubt that such ker, while the conduct of smokers in desire would not be limited to bread, or ease, or worldly wealth, or time? Parents who have been indifferent smoker, rather than exercise selfabout their own salvation wish their children's safety; and it is most de- full of people uncomfortable and unsirable that they should render help well. The aged man and the feeble to our Sunday-schools in their effort woman are alike sacrificed to his to win the boys and girls for Christ personal gratification. The bondage and to His Church. This they may do of the smoker is more despotic than by personal attendance at public wor- that of the drunkard. I have been ship, by dedicating themselves to assured scores of times that the giv-God, by making the tone of the home ing up of tobacco was infinitely more Christian, by allowing no bad lan- difficult than the giving up of drink; guage to be used, by discouraging everything has to bow to this app. everything that is not pure and coretite when once formed. The comrect in behaviour, and by encouraging the singing and repetition of hymns learnt at school, the recita- seen Christian men miserable in the tion of texts and lessons, and all the most attractive and interesting comfavorable expressions of the children pany, and stealing away to the most about good things, the sanctuary and

much more time their children spend man, fastening these fetters upon away from their Sunday school than 'himself. I trust you will never bein it, and should themselves be gin, but for the sake of your health, watchful over their moral and spir- your purse, and your soul, you will ital interests during the week. They resolve with me never to touch a should take care to know where the boys are after dark, and where and how the girls spend their evenings. habit with which our Maker has en-The impression their children receive dowed us. now will abide-whether for good or bad depends very much on the fathers and mothers. Both in Christian families, and many homes des itute of religion, it is felt to be a difficulty when the subject of amusements is under consideration. It is well when tather or mother allow the children to attend entertainments of an instructive or pleasing kind, if one of them always goes with them. A father is often as agreeable and as much desired a companion for his boys as boys of their own age would be But it is certain that no parents should permit their sons and daughters to people will learn lessons that will tend to undermine or destroy the tobacco. better teaching of the Sabbath day. -W. M. Sunday School Mag.

TEMPERANCE IN THE SAB. BATH SCHOOL.

The principles of temperance are tar too little taught in our Sabbath schools. Two or three years ago mearly every school had a Temper ance Society connected with it, meetings were held regularly, and certain Sundays were set apart as "Temperance Sundays." But now this important subject is seldom mention. ed except it come up in connection with the lesson. How can we expect the cause of temperance to make much progress unless our young people are brought up on the side of temperance and are warned of the evils of which drink is a fruitful source? If the principles of temperauce were more taught in our Sabbath-schools there would be less cause for anxiety in behalf of our young men. The saloon-keeper would lose a large part of his trade, and there would be fewer disgraceful sights on our streets, of young men under the influence of liquor, unable to walk straight, and more unable to control their tongue. There would be less wine used on New Year's day.

Every Sabbath-school should have a Temperance Society with officers elected once a year. A 'Temper. ance Sunday" should be set apart at least once a quarter, when an address suitable to the occasion might be given. An illuminated pledge should be provided and all the school should be asked to sign it; and when a new apply it to the painted surface, when scholar joins the school, he too should be asked to place his name upon this roll of honor.

STRAWBERKIES.

There are few things that the average town man takes more delight in than a showy bed of strawberries; and at the same time there are few things that are so disappointing. Sometimes there are berries, and oft-enerthere are none. Nowif the follow-ing rule is followed there will always clear cold water. Two small tart ing rule is followed there willalways be a good supply of berries: In the apples are a toothsome addition to spring of 1884 dig a bed deeply and four feet wide, so as to gather the fruit from each side and never tread on the bed. Set three rows in this Plant Crescents, mixed with other in each ear. On inquiring the cause, bed, puting the plants one foot apart. ing by perfectly-flowered sorts.

When the ground is frozen in December cover the horse frozen to December 1 to De ber cover the bed with light litter ears." " You are much mistaken," thick enough to shade the ground; replied his friend; a horse jumps as uncover the plants in April, but much with his ears as with his feet.
leave the mulching on. This bed Unless he can have tree use of his will yield truit in 1885 and '86; then ears, he cannot jump." He ties the Pickford & Black's Wharf, Halifax, M.S.

PARENTS AND THE SUNDAY- above, to be set with plants in the in the spring. In this way the garden will afford without tail, strawber the lady will center in finding out what ries in their season.

> REV. C. GARRETT OF SMO-KING.

In the "monthly letter" of the English Anti-Tobacco Society and Anti Narcotic League the following letter from the Rev. Charles Garrett, President of the Conference, is given: "Liverpool, December 14, 1882. Dear Sir,—I am deeply grieved to see so many young people enslaving evidently promotes indolence and selrailway carriages is a miserable illustration of their selfishness; one denial, will make a whole carriage pany of the fair, the wise, and the holy is gladly left for a pipe. I have unattractive room to secure a smoke. It is a sad thing to see a young man, Parents should remember how and especially a Christian young pipe or cigar, but to retain and enjoy the freedom from this most injurious

USEFUL HINTS.

An economical and really delicious way to flavor a cake which is to have icing over the top is to grate part of the peel of an orange or lemon over the cake before putting the icing on.

The idea of teaching every girl to thump a piano and every boy to be | tertain. The spiritual profit of the reader a book-keeper will make potatoes five dollars a bushel in twenty years. -Cape Ann Advertiser.

spend their week evenings in such places of amusement as are in viothat no fine butter can be made in a profited. Miss Tucker interweaves the two lent contrast to the Sunday-school, or room where smoking is indulged, as so that they cannot be separated. Every the milk and cream will absorb more turn in her narratives illustrates some imor lose of the fumes and flavor of son."—Daily Witness.

> Forethought and patience are nowhere so ingrained into a youth's nature as on the farm, but the youth should be there from his earliest years. It is too late to begin the apprenticeship at fifteen, with hope of securing its best results.

A Dundee (Scotland) dairyman was recently convicted of selling milk which had stood in the room in which a child was ill with scarlet fever. The milk absorbed the poison, and seventeen persons were intected with the disease, tour of whom died.

It is a bad sign for a farmer when he feeds little or no grain except to his horses. It will pay to give some grain daily to sheep, to cows, and to | 21. hogs. If well managed, the poultry 23. will usually pay better for the grain they consume than any other stock on the farm.

Thorough pulverization of the soil 28. is sometimes worth an extra dressing | 29. of manure. Two fields, says a writer in the Indiana Farmer, lying side by side, were sown in wheat. One was | 82. plowed and harrowed the usual way. 33. Nutshell of Knowledge and Fairy Friswhile the other was harrowed five times. The result was, that the latter gave seven more bushels to the acre | 35. Precepts in Practice and Harry Dan han the former.

To clean painted wood-work, provide a plate with some of the best 38. Rescued from Egypt. whiting to be had, and have ready 39. some clean warm water and a piece 40. Sheer Off. of flannel, which dip into the water 41. and squeeze nearly dry; then take as much whiting as will adhere to it. a liitle rubbing will instantly remove any dirt or grease. After which 46. wash the part well with clean water, 47. rubbing it dry with a soft chamois.

It a goose that is to be reasted is allowed to lie in a deep pan with cold water over it, in which a tablespoonful of soda is dissolved, all the oil can be scraped out of the skin. and the coarse flavor, which is greatly objected to, may be entirely rethe stuffing of a roast duck or goose.

Some time ago a geatleman was riding out with a friend and observed that one of his horses had a hole he learned that it was to keep the Fertilizers analyzed by Prof George Lavson, it should be abandoned. In the fall two ears together, and he has no of 1884 dig up another bed, as noted more trouble with the horse,

A bachelor says if you hand a lady a spring of 1885. Each alternate year newspaper with a paragraph cut out of dig a new hed in the fall and plant it, not a line of it will be read, but every bit of interest felt in the paper by the missing paragraph contained, even if it was only a Minard's Liniment advertisement, stating that it cures rheumatism and all aches and pains of the human race.

> Mennonites in Nebraska occupy three whole counties, are good farmers and hard workers, and so economical that their prosperity is remarkable.

Johnson's Anodyne Liniment is richly worth \$10 a bottle in certain cases. For instance, in cases of diphtheria, cronp and asthma when the sufferer is almost dead for want of breath and something is required to act instantly. It costs only 35 cents.

Australian advices are that crops are in splendid condition. It is estimated that South Australia will have 18,000,-000 bushels of wheat for export, and Victoria 7,000,000 bushels.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES .- Foretellnig the weather is uncertain at the best, but it is certain that if you catch cold in this changeable climate you can best break its ill effects with Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam, the most reliable and pleasant remedy for coughs, colds, bronchial and lung complaints. It is so agreeable that even a child will take it.

There were in England in 1883 paupers numbering 1,069,296, in a population of 26,700,000, or one pauper to to every twenty-five of the population.

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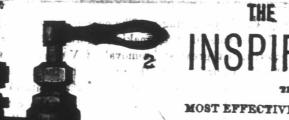
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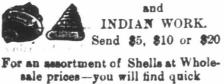
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AN. ERA, MAND HOW TO MARK IT.

Our readers already know that in December next our American breth ren will celebrate the centenary of organized Methodism in the United States. Two or three links bind us to them in hallowed memories. Our William Black was a member of that Christmas Conference; and so were Freeborn Garrettson and James O. Cromwell who proceded him on his return; and the single special financial effort put forth among those American minis e s and laymen at Baltimore was in our behalf. Dr. Coke thus briefly records it : "On one of the week days, at noon, I made a collection toward assisting our brethren who are going to Nova Scotia; and our friends generously contributed filty pounds currency—thirty pounds sterling."

It is not our purpose now to linger in contemplation upon the marvellons growth of Methodism on this confinent. Marvellous inceed it has been -unparallelled. Its growth cannot be estimated by any statistics. One must watch its influence upon the creeds and ecclesiastical organization of other branches of the church; he must think of the thousands who have Been pointed to Christ by her teachers who have never borne her name and whose influence is ever expandang in other circles; and in the endeawor to do this he will find himself bewildered-afloat-because he essays on earth to solve a problem only to

be understood in eternity. Will each reader keep his finger on that fact stated by Dr. Coke, and then institute a comparison between that act of direct giving and the circuitous mode of contribution to church schemes so much in vogue to-day, A comparison of the amount needs not be drawn; it is to the manner and to the motive that our Father in heaven has special regard. We are happy to Philadelphia, evidently takes that be able to believe that thousands of Christian men have learned for love's | ing cry to the men and women of his part of their income which the Jew stand for themselves and be true to gave through precept of law; but we themselves," without aiming to rise cannot conceal our fear that through by such alliances. Douglas himself, ceedings : two have withheld mei bazaars and oyster suppers and jug- lingly bitter things about such marbreaking and pie-suppers, and a thou- riages, takes refuge in the professed said other expedients which would belief that a commingling of the races seem to be ridiculous in the manage | will one day destroy the identity of ment of business, many have lost sight | either Hil this the Interior professes of that direct responsibility which our to see nothing less than destruction. fathers felt when they brought of their The General Conference of the Afrishare at the Master's feet. To day May, and it is not improbable that the Church reads through dimmed this delicate subject may give rise to glasses the command. He Bring ye all some stirring debates. The bitterthe tithes into the storehouse," with ness of feeling respecting it in some the annexed promise, and treats as parts of the United States is very obsolete the injunction of an apostle, great. In a town of Ohio, only a few " On the first day of the week let days since, a colored man was sentencevery one of you lay by him in store ed to a fine of one hundred dollars according as God hath prospered and three months' imprisonment for him." At a glance any one may see having married a white girl, contrary money is now extracted by lecture and to a law passed in 1840; and about the song and dainty and is not drawn by same date the trustees of a cemetery gratitude; how the believer and un- in New Jersey refused to allow the believer are associated in church sup-body of an aged and respected citizen port till the former is weakened in to be buried in ground they controlprinciple and the latter feels as though led, only because he was a colored which satisfies him instead of union sult-they must certainly help the with the true vine; how vast num menthey are intended to injure, and bers, having no better sphere allotted hurt only the men who are responsithem in Christian work than to make ble for them. the trifling object for sale, or the food to tempt, are dwarfed, stunted the command. "Go work to-day in places in the United States, the quesbe recalled more vividly a few months for some time no distinction has been what we have to give in accordance ate schools but 900 of the 1600 colorly adhered to and carried out in faith, principals of schools under the control

John Wesley in some of his quaint and the arrangement for grading colordisciples thus engaged angels gently has been taken, and as a recognition of them to tax any licenses that may be remonstrated when they said, "Ye rights which will yet be conceded,

to be ever remembered.

THE COLOR LINE.

The decision of American judges that the Civil Rights Act was uncons i utional, has led to an agitation respecting the rights of the colored race which has reached Canada and even caused serious discussion in our city School Board. In the United States the question has grown in interest through the recent marriage of Fred. Douglas to a white woman many years his junior, and for some time his secretary. In this act the New York Independent seems to glory as a triumph in favor of "miscegenation." while the Chicago Interior, a Presbyterian organ, declares such an act to be a cruel wrong. Having no doubt in view the statements of the late Prof. Agassiz, it asserts that "the mixed race is not equal to either of the originals—they are weaker than the weaker of the two." It is a fact worthy of note that by none is the marriage of Fred. Douglas more severely condemned than by men of his own race. Mentioning no name, a writer in the Christian Recorder, the organ of the colored Methodists in event as a text, and uses it as a rallysake to give back to God that tenth own race to "come to the front, and the circuitous method of fairs and who in the past has said some exceedplenty of their poverty and laid a can Methodist Church is to held in he has a certain church connexion man. Such acts can have but one re-

In one or two towns in Ontario, and and robbed of their fitness to obey in our own city, as well as in many my vineyard." Shall we not mark tion of equal rights has come to the this era, while we honor God and those front in relation to the public schools. ministers and laymen whose act will In Providence, R. I., and in Boston hence, by resolving henceforth to give made; in New York there are separwith divine precept and so allow our- ed scholars of the city are found in selves and others to be free for more the white schools; and in Brooklyn direct service to the Master in soul-h recently the Board of Education, by saving? Such a determination, close, a vote of 21 to 14, resolved that the would make this centenary an era of that body "be directed to receive all colored children that may apply for admission on the same terms as they and about £60,000 worth of property, At our doors are many hundreds of do white children." In this city a nearly all paid for ; and then he turnyoung converts. They need exercise step in advance at least has been in the new life. It is indispensable. taken in the provision of a new school directions to his preachers has said, ed scholars at a certain stage into the "Take exercise or you will die of dry public schools, and also to the High rot." Many young converts die of School on the same conditions as other "dry rot," through lack of spiritual pupils. In view of the strong prejuexercise. Shall those we have lately dices existing in the minds of so many helped to Jesus spend their time in this was perhaps as much as the School mere spiritual introspection? They Board could possibly do, and their acmust look unto Jesus. And yet re- tion will no doubt be favorably recogligion is not all contemplation. With nized by those in whose interest it, solve to sek the Leznlature to permit

up into heaven" In service is the making rigorous efforts to prevent the Christian's real growth, his greatest zemoval of Victoria University from safety. And in this the Church must | their town. In the Private Bills Combe his guide. Can it be said that she mittee of the Ontario Legislature, guides him aright when she only details | while the bill for the consolidation of him for duty at the Sabbath-school Victoria and Albert Culleges was unconcert, or puts him on the tea-meet- der consideration last week it was no ing committee or appoints some bright | ticed that in the early acts the instigirl to personate "Rebecca at the tution was referred to as "Victoria well?" Nay brethren, Christ has College at Cobourg," while in the even higher work than this for that | bill as submitted the words "at Coyouth or maiden. If the bright morn bourg" were left out. This omission ng of their Christian life be thus called forth strong protest from a spent, the noonday will not be the member, a Mr. Mulholland, who bright mountide of the just, nor will also read a resolution passed by the the eventide be clear of clouds of re Town Council protesting against the gret. The remedy is simple. Do bill passing in the shape proposed as your duty, lay your financial offerings | an injustice to the town. An amendat God's feet, and send these souls ment was then moved that "nothforth to use winsome face and pleasant ing in this Act contained shall in any roice in echoing, "Waosoever will, way affect the rights (it any) of the let him take the water of life free town of Cobourg or of any person or persons in respect of the location of the said university," and in spite of the objections of the promoters, the amendment was carried 12 to 8. The bill was then reported with amendments, the name standing as submitted, Mr. Mulholland dissenting. On the 14th inst., in the Legislature an amendment by Mr. Mowat that "nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect any question of law or equity as to the locality of the university, or as to the right or power of removing the same," was carried and that suggested by Mr. Mulholland was lost.

The Commission appointed in 1881 by the United States National Congregational Council to draw up a statement of what Congregationalists believe, has published that statement. Of it Dr. Lyman Abbott remarks: ' Like all creeds, it is a compromise; it is history not prophecy. It is in accord with the great Evangelical confessions except on the doctrine of the Church, where it is, of course, Congregational as against the Prelacy and the Episcopacy, and Pedo Baptist as against the Immersionist." Dr. Buck. ley, of the N. Y. Advocate, finds nothing in it opposed to Arminian views. The new creed, which is brief, consisting of only twelve articles, is signed by twenty-two of the twenty-five members appointed by the Council. One never took any part in the prosignatures. The special objections of Dr. E. K. Alden are "that the doctrine of the triunity is not expressed with sufficient explicitness; that the word vicarious is not applied to our Lord's Atonement in that the purpose of the baptism of infants as the seal of a covenant is not defined; and that it is not distinctly stated that probafion ands with life." The objections of Prof. Karr, of the Hartford Theological Seminary, have not yet been given to the public.

The labor of a solitary worker is sometimes over rated when that of one of a number is lost sight of. In the course of a recent Home Mission address at Penrith, the Rev. Mr. Roe incidentally contrasted the results of the efforts of General Booth and the Rev. Alexander McAulay in the East of London. We copy from the Methodist:

Mr. Roe said that in 1879 he was stationed at Bethnal Green. Riding into London one night, a man in the same carriage said to him that the Salvation Army was the marvel of the age, and asked him to look at what General Booth had done-take East London. 'Yes,' said Mr. Roe, 'take East London; what has General Booth done? The man replied, 'I know he has accommodation for 4000 people, and is getting in the worst and most abandoned classes, etc. and has about £10,000 worth of property. Mr. Roe would not question that statement; for four years he had been on the very ground to which the man referred. But in connection with their own Church, 25 years ago Alexander McAulay and William Booth stood up together, and neither of them had any property in connection with their churches. Mr. Booth then formed a mission, which has blown out into the Salvation Army. Mr. McAulay kept on the old Methodist lines, and worked on, and now they had sitting accommodation for about 12,000 people ed to his friend and said, 'Which has paid best-Mr. Booth's work or Mr. McAulay's work?

We have little faith in licensing the liquor traffic. Law should stamp out and not compromise with evil, but if our law-makers must link us to this master-evil, we can only conclude that our city fathers have done wisely in retracing their steps as far as to reissued under the authority of the Do-

Corporation has also reached a sensible conclusion and does not intend to spend the last cent in the civic chest in a general fight about nothing. Our Charlottetown temperance friends, more wise than their neighbors, have secured the power to carry out the Canada Temperance Act and are using it as a terror to evil doers. In striking as they are, they are striking at the very root of misery, crime and cost. We observe that W. F. McCoy Esq., for some time chairman of the License Committee in our City Council, has resigned his position. A thankless position it is, but we believe that Mr. McCoy has honestly endeavored to "make the best of a

The world has not yet outgrown the wisdom of John Wesley's teachings. What he says about preaching the law might have been written to day. Young ministers will do well to take heed to his counsels:

"I see a danger you are in which perhaps you do not see yourself. Is it not most pleasing to me, as well as you, to be always preaching of the love of God? Without doubt so it is. But vet it would be utterly wrong and unscriptural to preach of nothing else. Let the law always prepare for the Gospel. I scarce ever spoke more earnestly here of the love of God in Christ than I did last night; but it was after I had been tearing the unawakened in pieces. Go thou and do likewise. It is true; the love of God in Christ alone feeds His children; but even they are to be guided as well as fed, yea, and often quickened. too: and the bulk of our hearers must be purged before they are fed, else we only feed the disease. Beware of all honey. It is the best extreme; but

Why should ladies patronize at theatres men and women whom they would be unwilling to meet elsewhere. If the sole object be amusement, the amusement is inconsistent with a profession of Christianity; if it be to learn certain lessons, those lessons should be sought from better teachers. A New York correspondent of a Philadelphia paper, in referring to the disappointment of Miss Terry in not having seen more of the society of New York ladies, remarks: "I don't believe in making fish of one and flesh person to receive into one's household, then neither is Mr. Irving. To be sure, Miss Terry has had a good many husbands, all of whom are live ing, I believe. I believe there are four of them. But some women have a genius for husbands, and I suppose she is one of them." Her daughter expects to follow her on the stage.

English philanthropists have organized a society for Christian work among railway men, whose duties very generally prevent their attendance at religious worship on the Lord's day. There are about 400,000 railway employes in Great Britain, or more men than in the army, navy and police combined. One man with whom the secretary of the society had conversed had never been off duty for one Sunday during a period of twenty-one years. Owing to the society's action in this matter, the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company has, within the last two years, built three halls, to be specially devoted to temperance and religious services for their men. The official organ, the Railway Signal, a penny paper published monthly, has a circulation of 22,000 copies.

A Baptist Association at Brownsville, Oregon, a few years ago unanimously resolved that "all administrations of the ordinances of Christ by other organizations claiming to be his churches are invalid and void, and will not be recognized by us as true, nor their officers considered as officers of a Gospel Church." We agree with the Independent that this is not to be offered as "a fair statement of Baptist belief :" it is nevertheless a logical interpretation of "close communion." Happily, the hearts of most of our Baptist brethren are better than their creed, and they will yet adopt the "open communion" princi-Hall, and other leading lights of their

Who will say that Ritualism should be tolerated in the Episcopal Church of England 1 The Methodist Recorder

memory of Father Lowder. At the celebrant wore "a finely emproidered red chasuble," the gospellor and epistoller "red dalmatics" (the colour of the vestments being emblematically roper to an invocation of the Holy pirit), and in the consecration of the elements the Roman Use was closely followed. The Rev. S. F. Green preached the sermon. After all this Father Mackonochie" was the "officiant at a solemn benediction of the new house," a procession with acolytes bearing a cross, candles, thurible, and navicula, appropriate prayers being offered in each apartment.

The liquor dealers will die with their faces to their foes. An Ottawa despatch states that the brewers, in an interview with Sir John Macdonald, have demanded that light wines and ale and porter should be allow ed to be sold in counties where the Scott Act is in force. They argue that this will increase sobriety by doing away largely with the use of ardent spirits. A similar belief led Mr. Gladstone to favor the introduction of the light, Continental wines into Britain, but he, as well as society at large, has learned his error at terrible cost. The fight is evidently waxing hotter-a sign that the day of redemption draws near. May God

The American Congregational Year-Book for 1884 shows a membership of 396,246, of whom more than 57,000 are classed as absentees. If Methodist church statistics were made up in a similar way, our numbers would be not created by an Act of Parliament heavily increased. By us, we sometimes have feared, the names of absentees are dropped too readily.

A recent lecturer remarks that "the polygamy of Utah is simultaneous.and that of New York consecutive."

THE REV. JOHN S. INSKIP.

Through his labors and writings in the promotion of the higher Chris- to keep it holy,' in the very centre of tian life, the name of the late Rev. the Decalogue, a purely moral code; John S. Inskip has become widely known. His death, on the 7th inst., after an attack of paralysis, was not here; I can do no other; God help unexpected. The appended state- me! as a defender of a law which I ment is an abridgment of a longer one God. But I stand not merely on the in the Western Christian Advocate : | defensive.

Mr. Inskip was born in 1816, and States at a very early age. In the vear 1.32, under the preaching of Rev. Levi Scott afterwards bishop. he was powerfully converted. His father was greatly exasperated at his son's re- some, go far enough. There are ligious pretensions, and especially at his attaching himself to the Methodists. To cure him of what he thought to be only folly, he threatened to drive him from home. The young convert remained unmoved, but engaged in unceasing prayer for his parents. Before the threat could be executed, two of his sisters were brought under the influence of divine grace, and were converted. Now almost in despair at what they considered the everlasting disgrace of their children, the parents proposed to keep the daughters strictly shut up at home and to expel their son at once. John retired to the barn, where he spent all the afternoon in prayer. In the evening, his father told him he need not go, and begged him to pray in his behalf. The work of God spread in the family, and both parents, and all of the children who were old enough were converted.

In the Cincinnati Conference Mr. In- ever he sees it open. Besides, as a skip was instrumental in abolishing the drunken Saturday evening usually old rule of the Discipline, which in all projects itself across the Sabbath, and cases required the men and women to over the Monday, so a Sunday with sit apart in the churches during public strong drink inaccessible to those who worship. He was pastor of the first church where family sittings were introduced; and because of this innova. will ensure a sober Monday for reason, tion he was subjected to trial and censure at the ensuing session of the domestic enjoyment. Of one thing I Conference. He appealed to the am certain, your grace, that Sunday General Conference, which reversed the closing is inevitable, that it must udgment of the Annual Conference. The cause which he advocated and adopted was, however, successful; and within five years nearly all the congregations quietly effected the same arrangements, and the practice is now universal. To him, more than to any other one man, this revolution in

Church practice was due. He was conscientious even in little things. Like others, in his early manhood, he fell into the habit of using tobacco. An influential layman London Daily News. In it one finds once encountered him, with several others, sitting around the stove in the old packing room of the Methodist Book Concern, on the corner of Eighth and Main Streets, in this city, the, and of the sullen manner in which all of them lustily smoking cigars. they retreated: He affected astonishmentat the spectacle, and exclaimed, "Well, well ples of Chas. H. Spurgeon, Robert | this is a pretty example for our preachers who talk about self-denial, to set before us laymen! How can we be expected to practice it when our pastors do not?" Mr. Inskip immediately throw all nations, destroy all his enethrew his cigar away without a word. mies, and then rule the world accord-Afew days after, when the same lay brother met him and asked how he man unknown before, suddenly befelt, he replied, with a smile, " Very come so powerful that he was able to well-since I have quit using tobacco.

men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing The citizens of Cobourg Ont, are minion License Act. The St. John Peter's, London Docks, erected in years, when he undertook the work of a travelling evangelist. He labored celebration of the Holy Eucharist the in this line as conductor of campmeetings and revivals, especially utaing believers to higher conditions of grace, and promoting the life of holiness among the Churches. In 1877 he became editor of the Christian Standard of Philadelphia, a paper published in the interests of the Association for the Promotion of Hol.

> THE SABBATH-INTEMPER. ANCE.

In seconding a resolution moved by Canon Stowell at the recent meeting at Manchester of the Association for stopping the sale of Liquors on Supday, the Rev. Thos McCullagh, President of the British Wesleyan Con-

I represent a religious denomination which sent last year one enormous petition to the House of Commons on this subject, bearing the immense number of more than 596 000 signatures. It was stated in the report that the petition presented to Parliament last year bore the unprecedentedly large number of 1,800,000 so that the petition to which I refer represented nearly one third of the whole number. This shows the perfect unanimity of the people called Methodists on this important question. We were one third of the whole, and of course we are not nearly one-third of the population. The war which we are waging is both defensive and aggressive. In its defensive aspect it has relation to the sanctity of the holy Sabbath. Of the divine origin and perpetual obligation of that day I harbour not myself the shadow of a doubt. And even those who do not hold my views of the Sabbath must vet acknowledge that it is an institution of immense antiquity. It was

in the reign of Queen Victoria, like Bank holiday. When the Lord of the Sabbath declared that the Sabbath was made for man, it was then an institution hoary with age; and when the Divine finger wrote the Sabbath law upon the first table of stone, it is then what it is now-the oldest institution in the world. The first Sabbath was kept by the first man in the first Paradise, before sin had blighted any of its flowers. I find the command 'Remember the Sabbath day. and I dare not try to pluck it thence, to relegate it to the limbo of a vanished ceremonialism I take my stand the war of aggression. We attack not came with his parents to the United | individuals, but we attack a system of evil-a system which is productive of poverty, disease, misery, and crime. The attack which we are delivering does not, I know, in the estimation of many in this great meeting, my Lord Archbishop, who would go much further; who would close up publichouses on week days as well as Sundays. But even if this were accomplished, it does not follow that it would entirely remove intemperance out of the land. If then we cannot do what we would, let us do what we can. Let us assail the system in its most vulnerable point-its licensed permission to trade on Sundays. Sunday closing will accomplish much, if it does not accomplish all. The Sundays of a single year are equal to seven weeks and a half, and that is no insignificant period in which to place strong drink under lock and key. The Sundays of seven years are equal to twelve months, and that is no contemptible time in which to close the doors of the public-house against the man who cannot resist the temptation of entering a public-house door when-

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love it will put a compulsory arrest on

the Saturday night's debauch, and

for industry, for manliness, and for

come. The sooner it is placed upon

the statute-book the better.

An Austrian merchant, who to escape death agreed to become a Mussulman, met in the camp of Osman Digna two acquaintances from Souakim whose information he narrates in the the secret of the desperation with which the Arabs threw themselves on the English squares in the recent bat-

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----THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of Education in Nova Scotia will be read with satisfaction by all who can guage with any accuracy the benefits bestowed upon a country by our system of common schools. The total amount of Government and County funds and local assessments expended last year, was \$612,889, an increase over last year of \$41.500. The increased Government expenditure was \$1400. The Superintendent

Taken as a whole, the record of the year just closed is a more than usually satisfactory one. In comparison with the statistics of 1881 2, there is reported an increase for each term in the number of schools in operation, of teachers employed, and of pupils in attendance, as well as a still more marked success in the total registration of the year. The gross sum expended on the erection and improvement of school buildings much exceeds the average amount thus appropriated during recent years, while there has been a small increase in the average salaries of taechers of all grades. I am pleased also to state that the signs alluded to in my last report of a newly awakened interest inmethods and subjects of justruction both continue and multiply. . . . As compared with last year, male teachers have decreased by the number of 21, while those of the other sex have increased by the number of 54. The constant increase in the ratio of fe male teachers to males is in part to be accounted for by the fact that the for-

For the WESLETAN. PORT HOOD, C. B.

mer in much larger numbers seek the

advantages of professional training.

The extension of the Port Hood Mission to Baddeck has thus far been a success. Our meetings have been well attended, and deep interest has been manifested by the people.
"Times of refreshing" have "come from the presence of the Lord.' Many have been led to the Saviour, and are now openly confessing Him. I organized two classes, which are well sustained, and during the past few weeks have received thirty persons into full membership.

At Big Baddeck our regular services are held in the old "Bethel," which, with the help of a Division of Sons of Temperance, is being transformed into a respectable place of worship. About two miles from this Bethel, in the midst of an interesting and grows ing community, we are collecting materials with which to build a church' as early as possible this spring for any. help for which we shall be thankful. We have opened a Sabbath-school, which was much needed, and it bids fair to

do a good work. At Baddeck Village the work is, equally interesting. Large numbers of attentive hearers have gathered regularly in the "Phoenix Hall," where our services have been signally blessed. A few days since, a beautiful robe was placed in my sleigh as an evidence of the good will of the people, whom I have found most kind, appreciative, and intelligent. Our mission here will admit of still further extension, and the prospects are unusually

bright. T. WOOTTON. March 8, 1884.

The Presbytery of Siam, Asia, connected with the Presbyterian Church of the United States, met in November. Fifteen church members residbytery to organize them into a church. ing the year sixty five were received infants were baptized. There are four churches under the care of this rean publishers deserve credit for Presbytery, with a total membership producing the work in excellent tyle, and solving it at so moderate a price an average attendance of 170 scholars. as \$3,50.

FINAL NOTICE.

TO SUBSCRIBERS IN ARREARS.

Two weeks ago we sent a circular to those of our Subscribers who were more than one year in arrears respectfully requesting payment. We also requested the ministers as our agents to examine the lists which had been sent to them, and report to us in regard to those in arrears. We regret to say that with very few exceptions we have had no reply either from our agents or from the subscrib-We are therefore reluctantly compelled to stop sending the paper after this week, to all such subscribers. All such parties are held liable for the amount due and measures will be

S. F. HUESTIS.

PERSONAL.

We quite agree with our contemporary, the Herald, that Alderman Theakston will be a valuable addition to the city school board.

The Rev. W. Pennington, one of the eldest of the ministers of the F. C. Baptist Church in New Brunswick, died at Houlton, Me., on the 27th

Dr. Sponagle, son of Rev. J. L. Sponagle, is devoting himself to the practice of his profession at Dartmouth. His preparatory record has been most encouraging.

At the recent formal opening of the Free Library at Toronto one of the addresses was given by Rev Dr. Withrow, Editor of our Canadian Methodist Magazine. A large and distinguished audience was present.

The Rev. J. P. Cook has reached the United States as representative to the Methodist Episcopal Conference from the Methodist Church in France. accompanied by the Rev. M. Lederlin, of Thaou, in the Vosges.

The Quaker preacher, Mrs. Sarah F. Smiley, has been licensed by the Episcopal Bishop, Doane, of Albany, to read and explain the Scriptures "in such parishes as she is invited to teach in by the rectors." But this is only to women.

There are popular sextons as well as the Grafton street church in this city, is one of the former. On Friday evening Mr. Smart, at the close of the prayer-meeting, was presented by the pastor with a purse of \$75, from various members of the congregation.

Baptist minister in these provinces, took rlace last week at Bedford. Some years ago he was obliged to retire from the ministry. For a time he practiced medicine and for some years has been immigration officer for this port. He was a man of much force of character and a most genial compan-

As a specimen of the self-denial of Canadian lady missionary, the Outlook gives the instance, on one of our British Columbia missions, of Miss Lawrence, of Port Simpson, who, when a teacher was needed for Kit amaat, volunteered for the post, made the long cance journey with an Indian crew in autumn, and there, in that heathen village, without a white face within 160 miles, spent the whole winter in self-denying labor for Christ.

LITERARY Etc.

Thirty Thousand Thoughts, Edited by Revs, Canon Spence, J. S. Exell. C. Neill, and J. Stevenson, with an Introduction by Dr. Hewson, Dean of Chester, has just been issued by Messra. Funk and Wagnalls, New York, and may be procured through our Book Room. This great work, a library in itself, is the combined result of researches made by scores of contributors who have passed in review thousands of books. The entire field of literature-Patristic, Mediæv al, Puritan, Modern, Classical, Foreign-has been made to yield up its choicest thoughts, on Theological, Philosophical, Biblical, Ecclesiastical. Ethical, and Practical Subjects, the whole arranged upon a scientific basis for homiletic use. This unique work is a grand illustration book, combining the advantages of a "commonplace" book, a homiletical "encyclopædia" or "dictionary" of illustrations, and a "compendium" of theological literature, the whole arranged for practical use by those too busy to search through libraries for what they need It supplies a want long and deeply felt, and cannot fail to be of ing at a village on the west coast of great service to ministers, students the gulf of Siam, requested the Pres. and intelligent readers in general. The work will be completed in six of fellowship to three persons and of Four young men were received with volumes, although each volume is the view of studying for the ministry, complete in itself. The one now isand one was licensed to preach; Dur- sued deals with Christian Evidences, the Titles of the Holy Spirit, the Beaon confession of faith and twenty one titudes, the Lord's Prayer, Man and

METHODIST NOTES.

The revival services in the Exmouth street church are being continued this week. We understand that they are growing in interest and are attended by large numbers.

The special services conducted in Northampton for several weeks by Rev R. C. Clements, were brought to a close on Thursday evening of last who are rejoicing in tribulation. week, when fifteen persons were received "on trial" for membership. In the reception services Mr. Clements was assisted by Rev. Geo. M. Campell. - Carleton Sent.

The Rev. George Steel writes "Brother Cowperthwaite, of Cornwall, has had an extensive revival at Kings ton. As the result of several weeks' special services about fifty professed already united with our Church. It is expected that altogether forty will be added to us. He is now engaged in special work at Cornwall. Several have already found the Saviour.'

The Queen Square Methodist church was tilled with a very large congregation on Sunday evening, when Rev. Job Shenton preached the anniversary sermon of the Sauday school connect. ed with the church. A number of the scholars conducted the singing, which was excellent. The rev. gentleman took for his text Dout. 6th chap, 6th and 7th verses. The average attendance last year was 134, and in the present year up to date 184, a difference of 50 scholars. -St. John Sun.

Mr. Youmans, teacher at White Fish Lake, Indian Territory, speaks of the Sunday-school: "We have 51 pupils. Some young men and women attend. Nearly all learn the "Golden text." What seems strange to me is the number of verses they can learn in English. To learn even one verse in Cree is difficult for me, while some of them recite the whole lesson of eight to twelve verses in English, and a few 16, 26, and one even 60 verses at a time.

The lot of land for the new church connected with the Cobourg mission has been secured. After having paid for it the trustees will have \$2000 promised. As soon as the sum is raised to \$3000, the undertaking will be commenced. In the meantime 'living stones" are being added to the church. The prospects of the mission both spiritual and financial, are very good. The Sun lay school, under the superintendence of Mr. J. S. Belcher and his active staff, has proved a

The quarterly meeting of the Grafton street church was held on Monday evening. Religiously and finan. cially the church is prospering. To the regret of all, the three years min istry of Mr. Teasdale will end with the coming Conference. The return of Mr. Batty to Cobourg road is ask. ed for. Mr. Brecken accepts the invitation to become Mr. Teasdale's successor, subject to the approval of Conference. The Sunday school is proving a nursery The death of Dr. Clay, a former to the Church. Its numbers have increased to nearly 250. Dr. Woodbury, the superintendent, is assisted by a staff of active officers and teachers. One young man, of much promise, was recommended to the District meeting, as a candidate for our ministry.

> The Economy correspondent of the Colchester Sun says: "In compliance with an invitation from Mr. J. Mc-Kindley, engaged in the lumbering business here, Rev. John Craig, of the River Philip circuit, visited his logging premises on Sunday siternoon. the 24th ult., and conducted a service which was highly appreciated by the audience, one hundred and thirty two in number. At the close a very respectable cash offering was handed to the minister. Mr. McKindley had tea provided for all present, but twenty one had to leave immediately at the close of the service. Several of the ladies present offered to assist the cook and butler, but the latter respectfully declined their kind offer. feeling that they were capable in themselves to meet the emergency.'

> Rev. R. Opie writes from Jerusalem. N. B.: "Early in the winter we commenced special services at Jerusalem, which were continued about tive weeks. At Olinville we commenced similar services immediately after the dedication of the new church. which were continued about the same length of time. The services at each place but, especially at the latter, were largely attended, and were seasons of great spiritual power and profit. As the first fruits, it has been my privilege to receive five into the Church at Jerusalem, and seven at Olinville, by the right hand of fellowship. It has also been my privilege to receive others into membership at Brown's Flat, and Oak Point, in connection with the regular services, this year. At each of the above places we have been cheered by the clear statements of converting power, as experienced those who have recently given themselves to God and to his church. We expect others to join us before the end of the year.

From Petitcodiac the Rev. W. Lawson writes: "Last Sunday week we had the pleasure of giving the right hand baptizing one of them in the Petitcodiac church. One was the head of a growing family, the other in the strength of young manhood, and one in the bloom of youth. It was an impressive scene. Others are compleweeks with good results. About sergeant has left.

twenty persons have obtained liberty in Christ, and many more are seeking the same blessing. We will have to build a church at this place soon through God's blessing. been called to mourn the sudden death of two young persons aged respectively seventeen and twenty. Both had within a few months back

given their hearts to God. This is comforting to friends and relatives,

The Revs. Dr. Campbell and J. S. McDade, two of the Irish General missionaries, report cheering results.

The total number of names taken during fifteen days of the Sneffield, Eng., revival mission was 900. The number who have professed conversion during the fortnight is 208, besides many find salvation. Over thirty have children. The special work is yet

A native pastor has been in charge of the M. E. church in Kumomoto, Japan, for the past year. He reports the work as prospering grandly. His entire time is employed in explaining the Word of God to vast crowds A number have been added to the Church. A letter has been received from a large town in Satsuma, bearing the signatures of 19 men who wish to be organized into a church, and supplied with a pastor. Two similar letters have been received from other large towns in other provinces. A promising class is preparing for the work in the Theological Seminary in Nagasaki.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

The Iowa Prohibition bill passed the Senate, March 4, by a vote of 34 to 11. It comes into effect July 4.

The Dnke of Albany, in a recent speech at Liverpool, remarked that drink was the only terrible enemy that England had to fear.

At Providence, R. I., a bill passed the Rhode Island House of Representatives, on the 6th inst., forbidding the location of dram shops within 400 feet of school-houses.

The town of Rockland, N. Y., has elected a no license excise commission. er. It has long been a strong license district. Last summer license was granted to a man who openly sold beer on Sunday in front of the campmeeting ground. This caused a revulsion of feeling.

The Prohibitory Amendment in the New York Assembly was defeated by a vote of 61 to 63. Of the Repub. licans, 52 voted for the amendment and 17 against it. Of the Democrats 9 voted for and 46 against it. It is pubable that an attempt will be made to carry a high license act.

The first semi annual session of the Westmoreland County Prohibitory Alliance was held in Moncton on the 3rd inst. Rev. Dr. Pickard, President of the Alliance, presided. The Revs. J. S. Phinney, Dr. Kennedy, Dr. Stewart, B. Chappell, S. R. Ackman, and T. J. Dienstadt were also present among others.

A great audience was present at Joseph Cook's lecture at Tremont Tem-ple, Boston, on the 3rd inst. By an impressive rising vote of the whole assembly, no one dissenting, a resolution was passed indorsing the movement for submitting the question of constitutional prohibition to the voters of Massacusetts.

On Saturday, 1st, the Permissive Bill, which resembles our Scott Act, was voted on in the town and district of Harbor Grace, N. F. The figures were 1663 for, and 292 against. The Protestants gave a solid vote for the bill. There was only one Protestant liquor dealer among some 25 and he voted for the measure.

A very large number of Temperance men from all parts of P. E. Island met in Charlottetown on the 6th and 7th inst. About ninety were present, among whom were delegates from vacious Temperance associations, and ministers of all denominations. It is very evident that we may expect to see the Canada Temperance Act respected and feared upon the Island.

GENERAL RELIGIOUS NOTES.

In Mexico there are of Protestants, 13,000 communicants, and probably 27,000 adherents.

Four members of the Salvation army were lately fined and imprisoned in Bridgeport, Conn., for parading the streets and holding meetings.

The Rev. Rev. J. L. Porter, a Presbyterian missionary in Teheran, has translated into Persian Bunyan's 'Pilgrim's Progress.'

The Bridgewater Times states that Messrs. E. D. Davidson & Sons have employed the services of a preacher to conduct religious services in their lumber camps during the winter.

Two young ladies, one in Nova Sco. tia and one in New Brunswick, have offered the nselves to the Baptist Foreign Mission Board for work in the Telugu field. The Christian Visitor presumes that both will be accepted.

The Toronto Mail reports that Salvation Army sergeants at Kingston have secured signatures to a petition, which will be sent to General Booth, protesting against dancing. There is ting their probation here. We have count, some siding with Capt. Steacy, just closed special services at Corn | who danced last Sunday on the plat-

At the last meeting of the Japanese next meeting of the Synod in 1855, fearful crime was pending. the native members will agree to undertake home missions.

Since the Week of Prayer, union meetings have been held daily in Salt Lake, and with large spiritual results. The Scandinavian M. Church has received 9, the Presbyterian Church as many, with a larger number soon to follow, the Congregational 28, and the Methodists 38. The meetings after nine weeks are still in progress, with no evidence that converting grace is ceasing to flow.

GLEANINGS, Etc.

THE DOMINION

the 13th inst.: that of Quebec will there has been an unexpected reducmeet on the 26th inst.

The electric light is to be introduced into four Montreal churches It is already used in St. Andrew's Presby. terian Church.

Eight hundred and forty-six bears were killed in New Brunswick last year. The bounties cost the Local Government \$2,538.

The P. E. Island brigade of garrison artillery has again carried off the shift. ing ordnance prizes given by the Dominion artillery association of Canada.

The counsel of the Dominion Gov. ernment has lodged a claim against the Exchange bank for \$237,000 deposited, and insists on it being paid before the other depositors, on the ground that it is a first charge.

The payment of the double liability on the shares of the Exchange Bank will be called for in the next Official Gazette by the liquidators. The amount demanded will be 20 per cent. per month.

that the Speaker of the Ontario Assembly laid on the table on Monday night \$800 and \$1,000, money given to two members of the House, to bribe them to vote with the Opposition. Two of the men concerned have been arrested and are in jail.

Kingston cabmen have petitioned he city to repair their rigs, exempt them from taxes for ten years, and let them drive without a license. They claim that the public could not do without them, and that they have as much right to be exempt as the Street Railway Company.

The Flying Yankee train will on the route between St. John and this train only a few of the more important stations between St. John and Portland are recognized. There will be no night boat on the route between Fredericton this season.

The Grand Orange Lodge met on the 11th inst, in Fredericton. There Province. St. John shows a member-153: Westmoreland, 120; Kings, east, 139; Queens, west, 91; Sunbury, 60; Victoria, 60. Several lodges in the different counties will increase the total by over 200 members.

The total quantity of coal mined in Cumberland County during last year, amounted to 248,861 tons. The tons from the various collieries were: Chignecto, 23,395; Joggins, 26,090; Minudie, 4,451, and Spring Hill, 193, 161. The county of Pictou raised 505,626 tons; and Cape Breton raised in all 612,614 tons during the year. The total product of gold for the year

was 15,446 ounces. The action taken by the City School Board yesterday in the colored school matter, will enable the children of colored citizens, on getting through the new school to be provided for them, to enter the departments of the principals or vice principals of any of the present public schools. In the case of the Brunswick Street School, they will not be able, on passing the day break. Immense hordes rushed prescribed examination on leaving the upon the British from both sides. colored school, to enter the head department, but in that of vice principal they can receive instruction that will repulsed. The Gatling and Gardiner prepare them to study in the higher guns fell into the hands of the rebels deartment - Chronicle.

Last week the Bill to amend the Independence of Parliament Act was discussed at length in the Dominion Parliament and carried after midnight by 105 against 49. On Tnesday last Houde's resolution in favor of the repeal of the Dominion license law of 1883 was placed first on the order of and eight officers and 103 men woundthe day. Sir Hector Langevin moved ed. 19 men are missing. Rebels in amendment "That the license act be submitted with all convenient speed to the Supreme Court of Canada or of the Privy Council, or both, in order to ascertain whether this law is ultra vires the Dominion Parliament. The amendment was carried by 117 to 63. On Monday, Mr. Cameron, of Victoria, moved the second reading of the bill incorporating the Loval Orange Association of British America. It was strongly opposed by Mr. Blake and others, and on a vote being taken at 3 30 p. m., was defeated. Yeas 68; nays 105.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

are building a new steamer, the Bonaa split in the army here on that ac rista, which, with the Cohan, will run regularly next season between St. they reflect upon the full significance John's Nfld., and Montreal, touching of their crushing defeat. Two shieks Hill where we continued for two form, and some opposing him. One at North Sydney, Strait of Canso, Pie- who attempted to leave his camp tou and Charlottetown.

At Grand Jervoise, Synod, representing the Presbyterian ult., a merchant named Martin was and Reformed missions, three church- found on the floor, his brains being es undertook henceforth the full sup- blown out. His wife was strangled port of their pastors; three other in bed, and beside her a babe lay churches expect to be self-supporting sleeping. A young lady who spent within a few months, and three more the previous evening with them says in January. It is thought that, at the there was nothing to hint that such a

At present about 19,000 persons are exiled to Siberia annually, and about sixty per cent. are nobles.

A bill to regulate the sale of patent medicines is likely to be introduced into the British Legislature.

At Bangor the public clocks have been changed from standard to local time in accordance with the expres sion of citiz ns at the late election.

The Irish Justices, in opening the Dublin Assizes, agreed that there has been a gratifying diminution of crime.

Since the introduction of two-cent The Manitoba legislature met on letter stamps in the United States tion in the number of postal cards is

Solomon Shapira, well known in the recent attempt to sell in England a forged manuscript of the Pentateuch, has committed suicide, having shot himself in the head with a revolver at a hotel at Rotterdam.

A levee at New Orleans, broken last week, was built last year at a cost of \$67,500. The water from this crevasse will cover the greater part of four parishes, submerging the Texas Pacihe Railroad for many miles.

In the United States District Court a libel has been filed against the Boston and Savannah Steamship Company, to recover \$50,000 damages for the loss of the life of Sampson Fawcett, of Lawrence, through the City of Columbus disaster.

A New-London whaling brig, now in Cumberland Inlet, has captured a whale yielding 168 barrels of oil and 2,500 pounds of whalebone, and from the sale of the stuff had realized near-A despatch to the Chronicle says | ly \$14,000. This is believed to be the largest whale ever captured.

> Mr. Gladstone's great Franchise measure, if carried, is expected to add 1.300,000 voters to the English constituencies, over 200,000 in Scotland and over 400,000 in Ireland. His speech on it was one of the greatest of his oratorical achievements.

> At the thirty second annual comneucement of the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, on Friday, twenty-six young women were graduated ; several of whom have fitted themselves especially for practice in foreign medical mission work.

Latest intelligence concerning the explosion in Pocahontas mine, West Boston about the first of June. By Virginia, is to the effect that about 150 men were killed and that the accident was caused by men going too far into the mines with lamps. The explosion was terrific, sending fragments of men into the air.

The governor of Delaware has respited L. F. List until the second Friare now eleven county lodges in the day in March, 1940. The culprit was to have been hanged next Friday. It ship of 453; York, 181; Charlotte, was conceded that his offence was only one of murder in the second degree. and as the Governor has no power to commute the sentence he has granted the respite.

Bacninh has been captured by the French at the end of three months with 100 pieces of artillery. The advance of the French from the place has begun. It is reported that Marquis Tseng, the Chinese Ambassador has asked the English Foreign Secretary to mediate between China and France.

The Gordon Highlanders and the mounted infantry with tents and baggage were to proceed to Handout on Vednesday. The Sphinx has gone to Massowa to report upon the defence of that town. Forty Egyptian gend'armes have been flogged at Suakim for mutiny. Osman Digna declares he will renew the fight in ten days.

A battle took place at the Tamai Wells on the 13th inst., beginning at The Arabs fought with great pluck. The second brigade was at one time and were only recovered after a severe fight. The rebel camp was captured at the end of two hours and a half of fighting. Osman was present early in the battle, but fled when defeat became evident. Fifteen hundred corpses were found in one pit. Five British officers and 87 men were killed numbered from 10,000. Three officers and seven men of the naval brigade were killed at the guns. Over 2000 rebels were killed. After the battle Osman's camp and three villages were burned. Osman's standard was taken and Tewfik's recaptured. All the English papers join in a confession that a decisive victory came within an ace of being a disastrous defeat. Ad miral Hewett and Gen. Graham have offered £1,000 for the capture of Osman Digna. A despatch says that there are no signs that defeat has crushed the spirit of Osman Digna. He has returned with 2000 followers to the neighborhood of his former en-The Black Diamond Steamship line campment, assures them that in a third battle success will be theirs, but the tribes are much demoralized as have been placed in chains.

For the WESLEYAN. OLIVE, MANITOBA.

A few lines may prove interesting to some whom I have been associated with in Newfoundland as well as the Eastern

In looking over the Station list of the Minutes of the Manitoba and N. W. Conference, it will be found that my appointment is to the "Cypress River Mission" in the "Pembina and Turtle River District." This mission, comprising a farming district of about 40 miles in length and ten in breadth, is bounded on the north by the Assiniboine. Most of the farmers here own or hold at present half sections of 320 acres, although some persons of means have taken large blocks of land and in some cases are holding them for sale as speculators. These are they who injure the country by keeping others who would become real settlers from taking up land.

I have taken the trouble to ascertain what classes of persons are occupying farms in the country. In taking a township of six miles square, just in the neighborhood where I reside, I find that of some thirty-five persons holding and cultivating land as farmers not more than a half dozen are really "practical" farmers; the rest are persons who previous to their coming have been here sevrally doctors, merchants, civil-engineers, lawyers' clerks, merchants' elerks, reporters, telegraph operators, harness makers, shoemakers, painters, masons, blacksmiths, sawyers, laborers, salesmen, joiners, sailors, millers, tailors, weavers and cooks. This I take it will be a fair specimen of the composition of Manitoba farmers, as the township described is not a selected one. As to the nationality the people on this mission are composed of English, Irish, Scotch, Canadians, Americans, Welsh, Germans, Swedes, and others for aught I know. With regard to religion they are Baptists, Congregationalists, Presbvterians, Episcopalians, Catholics and Methodists.

The Methodist representation is not very large at present, but we are received and listened to by all classes with the greatest respect and attention. We have at present five Sabbath appointments and expect to have six schoolhouses this spring which will then us three appointments every Sabbath. The field being so extensive and without local help, it involves almost incessant travelling to visit the various families and bachelors distance they live from each other as well as from the regular preaching olaces, must be visited as often as possible in order to keep up any thing like a spiritual interest. On the Mission southeast of this, Bro. Colwill, from the N. B. and P. E. I. Conference, is labouring; then east or southeast of him a little are Bro. Colpitts and Bro. Myers, the former from the N. B. and P. E. I., the other from the Newtoundland, Conference; so that though the country is large, we are not far removed from each other. In regard to the climate I cannot speak from experience, but others who can say it has been a very fine winter so far. To me it has been a very pleasant one : we have had a very few sharp snaps, but to persons well wrapped and not having to make very long journeys it i really enjoyable. I can imagine some of my ministerial

brethren East asking whether I am satisfied with the change? I answer, so far perfectly satisfied. That there are some difficulties here cannot be denied, but they are only such as are common to all new countries. When the present depression-which is gradually being removed-shall have disappeared, and the farmers are established on a firm basis, then their liberality and devotion to the cause of God, of which we have at present many indications, will be manifested by the erection of numerous churches and parsonages to grace this vast prairie land.

J. PRTERS. March 5, 1884.

MEMORIAL NOTICES.

JANE LANGILLE

found "sweet rest in Heaven," Dec. 5th, 1883. The deceased was wife of Oliver Langille, River John, and mother of Rev. W. H. Langille, Kentville.

At twenty-one years of age she was converted to God under the ministry of the Rev. G. S. Milligan; and from that time worthily bore the name of a true Christian, a faithful worker, and a loyal Methodist. Those who knew her, loved her, and those who knew her best, loved her most. Though naturally delicate and often suffering much, she was never too sick to be cheerful, and her happy humor made her company enjoyable at

Her knowledge of Scripture was remarkable. Chapter after chapter she could repeat of that Word she loved so actions, and wilful departures from the well. Those whe visited her during right way. "The blood of Jesus her sickness were astonished at the Christ, his Sen," cleansed her "from" number, variety, and aptness of the all sin."

passages she quoted from time to time. She could truly say, "How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth."

Her house was a home of Methodist ministers which many of them fondly remember. In church work she was always foremost: it was a pleasure rather than a duty, and was never imited in extent by what some people call "their share." The last work she did was in parsonage aid. It was one day last August while engaged in papering the parsonage that sickness seized upon her, and never relinquished its relentless grasp. This long and painful illness she bore with Christian resignation. A few hours before the end, she roused herself, and asked of her husband who stood by, "What is this strange weakness that has come over me?" He answered, "Perhaps it is I am not afraid to die." Then the weary lips murmured brief but precious. her as mother. Then she slept.

SARAH JANE BIGNEY,

daughter of Stephen Bigney, was granted the desire of her heart on the 15th, Feb. when the Lord permitted her to enter into rest. A few days before her death she looked earnestly into her father's face, and said-" Pa, is it wrong for me to desire to die, and go to heaven?" Her whole conversation was of She could say truly,--'O that home of the soul, in my visions and

Its bright jasper walls I can see: While I faney but thinly the veil intervenes Between that fair city and me.'

Through a sickness of several months her young life quietly wasted away. The best medical aid failed to restore her: but, while the earthly temple failed, her soul was renewed day by day. The teaching of the Sabbathschool had not been lost on her, for the seed had fallen in good ground, and seemed to yield an hundredfold. Her Christian experience was the clearest and best it has ever been our privilege

The day she died some one remarked in the sick room, "Is she not afraid to die?" The father who noticed the lips of the dying girl to move, stooped to hear their whispered utterance and he caught the answer to the question-'No, this is only the shadow of death.'

The same day as the evening shadows gathered, her soul quietly stole away from the darkness of night and sorrow to heaven-where "they need no

F. A. BUCKLEY. River John, Feb. 25th, 1884.

MRS. CATHERINE WATTS. widow of the late William Watts. sr. of Fredericton, and mother of Messrs Samuel and James Watts, of the Carleton Sentinel, died at Woodstock, Jan. 8th. Mrs. Watts came to the grave in full age " as a shock of corn cometh in its season." She had exhausted the ministry of God's agent-time; and the 'shock' was garnered because it could have no more growth here. Her last days beautifully exemplified the words of the Psalmist, "They shall still bring torth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing." And, in this delightful period of a full age, we saw in her mature Christian womanhood, calm, patient, restful upon the promises, and fully prepared for "the palace of angels and God."

Although her parents were connected with another branch of the Church, she regularly attended and became strongly attached to the public and social services of our Zion. About forty years ago, under the ministry of the now venerable and truly reverend Enoch Wood, then pastor in Fredericton, conviction was fastened on her mind, and she sought salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Fully appropriating Him by faith she entered into glorious liberty from the guilt, condemnation, and power of sin. "She knew whom the had believed," and having given herself to the Lord, she united also with his people. From that time her attachment to the cause of God, under the name of Methodism, was strong and uniform. She was a most decided Christian, and evidenced the reality of her conversion by the whole course and tenor of her life. Her experience was exceedingly clear and deep; her intercourse with God was apparent in the whole of her spirit and temper. In the study of the Holy Scriptures, attendance on the means of grace and zeal for the prosperity of Zion, she certainly was preeminent. The genuineness and depth of her piety, intelligence, and holy ardor of ner mind clearly indicated that she had placed her soul and body, and substance, upon God's altar in perpetual consecration; and participating in the full benefits of our great salvation, she was saved from the necessity of re-

For many years she was a daughter of affliction—the sense of hearing almost failing to perform its office—but she bore the infirmity with exemplary patience; and if she could not always "glory in her tribulation," she endured it with cheerful resignation to the will of God. She knew that this limitation would not last for ver-"for these things concerning her should have an end;" and that in the intherland above she should serve G I without weariness, and worship without imperfection.

During her last illness. I visited her often, and always found her patient and happy. Her testimony was definite. She was in the enjoyment of "perfect love." The sting of death had been taken away, and she rejoiced in him who had given her the victory. One of her family inquired if she had any dread of the future, and she assured him that death." "I think it is," she said, "but she had not, and that for her there were "lights in the valley." And with this confidence, walking into the valley of messages for the dear ones who loved the shadow of death," she feared no evil. The good Shepherd, who laid down his life for the sheep, was with her, and his rod and staff did comfort her. For her there was no death;

> 'What seems so is transition; This life of mortal breath

Is but the suburb of the life elysian, Whose portal we call death.

Without a struggle she entered into est: and now realizes those pleasures which on earth were the objects of her ardent and hallowed anticipation. Her mortal remains loving hands have laid tenderly away, by the side of kindred dust, in the old "God's acre" in Fredericton, in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GEORGE BLACK, AMHERST.

Thd Quarterly Board of the Amherst circuit hereby resolves to place on record its deep appreciation of the Christian character of our recently departed Brother, George Black.

Converted to God in early life, he was spared to the Church to a good old age, and as class-leader, trustee and steward (which offices he held from almost the beginning of his Christian life) he was highly esteemed.

His devotion to the Divine Master was uniform throughout, and his fervent zeal in seeking to save the lost unabating. For exemplary piety, sterling integrity, a single aim, brotherly kindness, deep sympathy with the afflicted, and earnest consecration to God he had few equals. While we mourn the loss of such a brother from the counsels of this board, and from the Church Militant, we would with devout gratitude acknowledge the abounding grace of God as exhibited in him, and would emulate his holy zeal.

ARTHUR DAVISON. Recording Steeard. Amherst, March, 1884.

EVIDENCE OF BLASPHEMERS.

An interesting decision was given the other day by the Recorder of Montreal. The case was one in which a carter named Charette was charged with assault and battery at the instance of one Boulet. The latter alone was able to give evidence as to the battery having been committed while as the only other person present was the defendant he alone could give evidence in his own favor. He flatly denied the evidence of the complainant, upon whom he laid the blame of the encounter. The other witnesses, however, proved that at the squabble which led to the alleged battery, Charette was guilty of the vilest blasphemy, and Mr. Poirier, the counsel for the private prosecution, asked that on this account his evidence be set saide. His Honor, in giving judgment, severely lectured Charette on the enormity of the sin of blasphemy and said that neither he or any other magistrate could accept contradictory evidence from a witness who was proved to have who is in the habit of making light use of the name of our Saviour and couples to be impressed with the sacredness and binding character of an oath taken on the Gospel of that Saviour. He, therefore. accepted the evidence of the complainant, and the other evidence tending to sustain this he found the prisoner guilty and sentenced him to a fine of \$5

THE GREAT EASTERN. The Great Eastern has been purchased by the British Government for use as a coal hulk at Gibraltar, "How have the mighty fallen!" may well be said of time, she has never filled the hopes of her projectors. Her only useful period was when she was employed in laying submarine cables. As a freight and failure. She was too big for any port in Great Britain but Milford Haven- in twenty years made £78,000. - London Her career has been punctuated by dis- Truth.

She has been tried in a dozen capacities, and has failed in all, and now she is degraded to the humiliating function of a coal hulk. Nor is there yet any probability that the demands of commerce or transportation will ever justify the building of vessels of her size. For not only is the difficulty of finding work for such monsters almost insuperable, but they are objected to on the practical ground that it is always unsafe to put too many eggs in one basket.

BREVITIES.

One cannot always be a hero, but one

Many a woman who does not know even the multiplication table can figure" in society.

To judge of the real importance of an individual, one must think of the effect his death would produce.

The English revenue benefited to the extent of about \$500,000 from the legacy and succession duty paid by Mr. Holloway, the pill maker's, legacies. The congregation of the 1st Baptist

Church of Detroit as soon as they heard

that their pastor had received the degree of D. D., raised his salary \$500! A teacher asked his class, "How do you proncunce s-t-i-n-g-?" A smart boy stood up and said, "That depends

a great deal on whether you mean to use it on a man or a wasp!" The following excellent compendium of what a house of worship should be is from an English paper: "Free from all

delusions, free from all false doctrines, free from debt, and free for all men. A young lady suggestively remarks "If it was not good for Adam to live single when there wasn't a woman on earth, what shall be said of old bache-

lors with a world full of pretty girls?" An inquiring man thrust his finger into a horse's mouth to see how many teeth it hal, and the horse closed its mouth to see how many fingers the man had. The curiosity of each was fully satisfied.

There is one satisfaction which the illustrators of the press have. They can use their nictures of public men for comic valentines after they have fulfilled their first and most atrocious duty .-Boston Transcript.

Jean Paul Richter once said that he would rather dwell in the dim fog of superstition than in air rarified to nothing by the pump-air of unbelief, in which the panting breast expires, vainly and convulsively gasping for breath.'

"Why do you never pay your debts?" asked X. of one of his acquaintances. My dear boy, I do all I can for my Whenever there is a cre ditors. new lottery authorized I always buy a few tickets. You never know what

A churlish man once gave a surly inswer to a question, and a neighbor, having heard the rough speech, came by, smiling?" "Aye, lad," said he, " a man's tongue is like a cat's, either a piece of velvet or a sheet of sandpaper, just as he cheoses to make it; and you always seem to be using the sandpaper." "Try the velvet, mand try the velve t!" It is well enough to advise a young

man to overcome all obstacles by " taking the bull by the horns;" but when the youth is in the middle of a field and the bull is coming toward him with its head down and its tail lasting the air, the young man prefers to take the fence. It would be decidedly unwholesome to take the bull by the horns under these circumstances. - Norristown Herald.

"I made no false statements," said Wendell Phillips once to a critic of one of his speeches; "I simply rectified a fact that had no business to be a fact.' But said the other, "your statement was misleading." you?" was the retort; "well, it is necessary to mislead some people in order to guide them sright. Remember how Paddy had to drive his pig one way to make him go the other.'

A writer in a juvenile magazine lately gathered a number of dictionary words as defined by certain small people, of which the following are probably genuine: "Dust-Mud, with the squeezed out. Fan-a thing to brush warm off with. Ice-Water that staid out in the cold and went to sleep. Pig -A hog's little boy. Salt - What makes your potatoes taste bad when you don't put any on. Wakefulness-Eyes all the time coming unbuttoned."

About twelve years ago I presided over the North Georgia District Conferbeen a persistent blasphemer, as a man ence in Forsyth. One of the questions discussed was the extravagance of dress and jewelry. While the subject was at its height, the Conference adjourned. it with disgusting oaths, is not the person | As I was to speak that night, and the people seemed to be interested in the topic of the day, I took it up. While speaking on the question of jewelry, Mr. Knight put me altogether out of argument by interrupting: Don't trouble yourself about it, Bishop it's all brass." Bishop Pierce.

Disraeli, it is stated, made by his pen £30,000; Byron, £23,000; Lord Macaulay received £20,000 on account of three-fourths net profits for his history. Thiers and Lamartine received nearly £20,000 each for their respective histories. Thackeray is said never to have received £5,000 for any of his novels. Sir Walter Scott was paid £110,000 for eleven novels, of three volumes each, and nine volumes of 'Tales this unlucky vessel. Born out of due of my Landlord.' For one novel he received £10,000 and between November, 1825, and June, 1827, he received £26,-000 for literary work. Lord Lyston is said to have made £80,000 by his novels; Dickens, it has been computed, ought passenger steamer she was a dismal to have been making £10,000 a year for three years prior to the publication of 'Nicholas Nickleby'; and Trollope

Lincoln's tomb at Springfield, Ill., is going to rain. Two of the supporting arches have collapsed, and one corner of the monument has settled several

Veterinary surgeons all over the country are ficereely denouncing parties who put up extra large packs of worthless trash and sell it for condition powders. They say that Sheridan's Calvary Condition Powders are the only kind now known that are worth carrying

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