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## I ASKED OF GOD

BY L. M. MONTGOMERY

Humbly I asked of God to give me joy, To crown my life with blossoms of delight;
I pled for happiness without alloy, Desiring that my pathway should be bright;
Prayerful I sought these blessings to at-tain,-
And now I thank him that he gave me pain.

I asked of God that he should give sucess To the high task I sought for him to do;

I asked that all the hindrances grow less, And that my hours of weakness might be iow;
I asked that far and lofty heights be scal-ed,-
And now I meekly thank him that I failed.

For with the pain and sorrow came to me
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Father, I had been foolish and unblest
If thou had granted me my blind request!

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## NOTE AND COMMENT.

The city of Quebec has passed a by law elosing all bars where intoxicating law closing all bars where intoxicating Saturday night, instead of at twelve, Saturday night, instead of at twelve,
which is the requirement of the Provincial Law. This action was taken by the City Council in response to a vig orous appeal for further restriction of the liquor traffic, the movement being led by the clergymen of all denominations and supported by a number of citizens.

Dr. Horace Underwood baptized he first Korean convert in 1886. The latest report gave nearly ten thousand communicants and twenty two thousand oatechumens, Hundreds more await only the visit of a missionary to be received. Ninety two were baptized re cently at a single service in Pyengyang. From the a single service in Pyengyang, From the beginning Korean Christians
have been tanght to love the gospel have been tanght to love the gospel and to spread it without pay among their countrymen.

According to latest accounts the Protestant denominations having mis sions in Mexico have 187 missionvies, 207 native preachers, 267 teachers and native helpers, and 22.369 members, The estimate is variously made that these missions represent a total Prot estant population of from 60,000 to 111 , 000, out of Mexico's 14,000,000 inhab. 000, out of Mexico's 14,000,000 inhab
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Confucian classics, in the provinces of Confucian classics, in the provinces of
Hunan and Hupeh, in China, is in striking contrast to America, says the Presbyterian Standard. We suppose that paper means the United States by "America," but Canada may also in a limited sense be included in the term. Are the Celestials getting ahead of us In so important a matter? In issuing the decree the vicerov says that the backbone of Chinese civilizstion is dne to the study of Confucian teachings in to the study of Confucian teachinge in the Chinese schools and now the life-
story of the Master is to be studied as text book by the $58.000,000$ people in these districts. China is marching on.

Last winter the temnerance and Christian people of New Jersey sought from the state legislature the enact. ment of a law providing: "The removal of all back rooms from the saloons, together with any side door entrance thereto; the removal of sereens or shades so that people could see into the saloon any hour of the day or night; forbidding the selling of liquor to anyForbidding the selling of liquor to any one under the age of twenty-one years: the raising of the license fee to $\$ 500$ and requiring the owner of the premises to be equally responsible before the law with the tenant for any violation of these provisions." The brewers and saloon-keepers and their friends fought the bill with all their might and suc. ceeded in seriously emasculating it, but the publicity clause for Sunday was retained. The results are: (1) that the saloons are closed on Sunday (1,500 of saloons are closed on
them in the city of Newark); (2) that them in the city of Newark); (2) that
much of the money which formerly much of the money which formerly
went to the saloons now goes into the went to the saloons now goes into the savings' banks to be kept for the people who earned it. What a blessing even partial prohibition, if it is along practical lines, must be for the wageearners of towns and cities which are gursed with liquor saloons.

Bishop John J. O'Connor has sent an order to all the Roman Catholic pastors in the diocese of Newark, N, J., warning them that the hymn, "Nearer My God to Thee," must not be sung hereafter in any Catholic church in the diocese, and that the hymn. "Lead, Kindly Light," may only be sung in a church after the ser vice is over, provided the pastor has given his permission.

A very important volume has just appeared. The author is professor $L$. H. Mills, of Oxford, in which university he is Professor of Zend Philology This book is a continuation of his work on Zoroaster, Philo and Israel. He is now beyond question the leading authority on the oldest hymns of the Iranfan faith. The first half of his book consists of a careful study of old Persian inscriptions. He compares them with those sections of the Bible concerned with the proclamation of Cyrus for the rebuilding of the temple at Jerusalem. Here he proves "the virtual authenticity of the Old Testament records, and their harmony with the Per. slan inscriptions of Darius, who carried out the religious policy of his predecessor Cyrus."

Less than a century ago, says the New York Christian Intelligencer, there was not a Christian worker in any Moslom land; today nearly every important Mos lem country is the sphere of missionary effort. The Bible has been translat ad into every language in the Mohammedan world, while the Koran speaks only to those who can read Aarabic, less than one-fourth. . . Now there are Mos lem converts in every land where work has been attempted, and many Moslems are preaching the Gospel. In North In dia there are nearly 200 Christian nas tors, catechists, or teachers who are con verts, or the children of converts from Islam. Thousands of Moslem youths are receiving a Christian education. Our receiving a Christian education. Our
missionary to Arabia, Dr S. M. Zwemer, missionary to Arabia, Dr S. M. Zwemer,
says of this work: "The outlook everysays of this work: "The outlook every-
where is hopeful, and the great task to which Christ calls His Church at the beginning of the twentieth century is the evangelization of the Mohammedan world."

Dr. Charles Parkhurst, of Zion's Herald, New York, is having a trip around the world, and reports in that paper the following agreeable interview he had with a Roman Catholic archbishop who was a passenger on the steamer: We ventured to take advantage of his cordiality, after several pleasant chats, and shallenged him with the inquiry: "What is necessary for a man's salvation P' He hesitated for a moment before replying, and said, with some vigor: "You ought to ba able to answer that question." "I trust I am," I said. "but. seriously and frankly, I would like to get your viewpoint. Must the church, your church, bestow it, or can the seeking soul find the truth in the Scriptures and appropriate it for himScriptures and appropriate it for him-
self?" Instantly he answered: "Both. A soul may find salvation alone in the A soul may find salvation alone in the
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spiration of the Bible." In a later spiration of the Bible." In a later cally the Roman Catholic Church is rigidly separate and exclusive, but practioally our priesthood will be found brotherly and co-operative whenever you Protestants put us to the test."

Three men in a town in Massachu setts left their work in a shoe-shop and went on a drunk for three days. Their absence stopped the work of 150 men. And those laboring men who do sict indulge in any of these evil habits, are still affected by the indulgence of oth crs, whose intemperance deranges busi. ness, destroys property, demoralizes society, increases crime, insanity, and pauperism, causes vast expenditures for police service, riots, jails, prisons, almshouses and hospitals; burdens the people, and loads down the philanpeople, and loads down the philan-
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ren. who forage at our back dor for their supplies, beg the bread out of tae children's months, and break our hearts with tales of woe and misery which we should never hear were it not for this curse of intemperance.

Dr. Roberson, of Venice, writing to a British paper, points to the constant pro-Papal policy of the German Emperor for many years. He has einfert ed the highest decoration-the Black Eagle-on a cardinal, the first time in history. His influence secured the appointment of a German as General of the Jesuits. Cardinal Vanutelli has characterized the German centre as tha characterized the German centre as sha
"impregnable centre of the Church." Finally, whereas King Edward, when in Rome, visited the Pope as a privato gentleman, and without parade, Kaissr William went in state to the Vationn, dressed as Emperor. with a large re tinue, which the Italian papers eon demned as an insult to their king. Vio. tor Emmanuel TII. Thus tha Kalser curries favor with the Papacy to get above France, and he patronizes Mo. hammedans and the Sultan in order to embarass England in Egypt.

The only National Rulers who also preach are the Kaiser and President Roosevelt. Of the two we greatly prefer the President, says the Belfast Witness, which quotes an American Presbyterian paper as follows: "Presi. Presbyterian paper as follows: "Presi-
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he read, as usual, four or five verses from the end of the first chapter of James.' And, as usual, he talked on 'conduct.' But nobody ean fairly say that the President is a preacher of a mere Gospel of good works. He knows quite well that no goodness of behavior is worth praise unless it is the ontis worth praise unless it is the ont-
flow of character within the men. One of the best of his many strong sentences in the Christ Church address was this-'We cannot continue as a Re public, we cannot rise to any level of true greatness, unless that greatness is based upon and conditioned by a high and brave type of spiritual life." It would be well if the Canadian peopla could take this truth serionsly to heart. Increase of population, develop ment of great national resources, acquisition of wealth and sturdy inde. nendence among the people, are all important factors in creating national greatness, but they are not sufficient. Unless they are hased upon that "righteousness which exalteth a nation," moulding the aims and character of rulers and people, we cannot attain to true national greatness, which as President Roosevelt says, is "based upon and onnditioned by a high and brave type of spiritual life." The secu. lar press of our country might well press this important view upon their readers.


Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.-St. Matthew VI. 10.

Sow we wish to dwell specially upon the first clause of this verse but we begin by plasing these three sentences be fore ourselves, side by side. We do this because they are so closely connected that they ought to be looked at in their relationship to each other before they are torn to pieces for separate and detailed consideration. These three sentences studied in this way show that The Lord's prayer is a living organic whole and not a string of disconnected whole and not a string of disconnected
petitions. There are not many words but there is much spiritual truth and the but there is much spiritual truth and the
thoughts are so arranged that each thoughts are so arranged that each
sheds light upon the other, while the whole shows us the nature of real spiritual prayer. If all men with reverential spirit hallowed the Divine Name the kingdom would be universally present; and then, at last, the will of God would be done on earth as it is done in the celestial spheres. Thus, while there is celestial spheres. Thus, while there is
one truth underlying these varied ex. pressions, each petition brings before us a different view. A great truth is like a many-sided crystal. We need to turn it round and its faces sparkle in the sanlight. Or to look at the matter in a deeper way we may say that from one root in the spirit of man there springs the reverence which worships, the is pirations which looks forward to the coming of God's kingdom and the subcoming of God's kingdom and the sub-
mission which bows before the will mission which bows
of the heavenly Father.
We are called to this living, upwardlooking faith. This one truth in its various aspects is brought to bear upon our spiritual life. A reverent spirit, a trustful heart, an enlightened mind, a submissive will; these are the gifts and graces we are taught to seek. The greater part of this prayer is of this kind, showing that the spiritual ought to come showing that the spiritual ought to come
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ures, or even happy feelings and a comfortable heaven. Purity of heart, nobility of life and strength of character must be earnestly sought. There runs right through this wonderful prayer the spirit of Our Lord's exhortation "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness." The spirituality of this eousness. The spirituality of this
prayer is one source of its strength, prayer is one source of its strength,
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where but there is a new, a loftier spirit in it which we do not find in the words of any other teacher; with all its childlike simplicity it is free from earthly selfishness and narrowness.

We may learn here how the Christian religion makes common things sacred. It brings consolation in our sorrows; and does more than any other influence and does more than any other influence
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there must be in us faith and hope, the there must be in us faith and hope, the
longing expectation of future good and the firm belief in the unseen kingdom of God. Our Lord calls these into play, purifies them, and gives them noble work to do in human experience.

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Reverence! Our business for a few minutes is to meditate upon the subject of reverence; to consider the deep meaning of these words, "Hallowed be thy Name." This does not mean that merely we and our neighbors are to be delivered from cursing and swearing. I hope it is not necessary for me to denounce that vulgar, dirty habit. Indenounce that vulgar, dirty habit. In-
telligent men ought to know that filthy speech shows a man's lack of sense and self-control. Whether low language springs from a towering passion or the bondages of evil habit, it hurts the man that uses it most of all.

Neither our thoughtlessness nor the sharp provocation of others can excuse us in this matter. Such curses, when they have any meaning at all, breathe a spirit of irreverence towards God, or of contempt towards our brother inan which is another form of profanity Sometimes we shudder as in the publio places of this Christian land we hear profane words flung carelessly or angrily from the lips of careless men. A gen tle rebuke may do good if the offender is not drunk. If he is all higher ministry must wait until the unclean ministry must wait until the unclean
spirit has gone out of him. At such spirit has gone out of him. At such
times, instead of priding ourselves on any superiority let us pray for others that they may see the utter folly of such conduct, and for ourselves that we may attain a deeper reverence. Our mouth may be clean and our tongue smooth; but when we truly utter this prayer se desire something deeper than that. We pray for that spirit which will teach us pray for that spirit which will teach ur
to hallow the name of God in word, to hallow the name
thought and deed.

Reverence is the acknowledgement of some one far higher and holier than our selves, before whom we ought to bow with that silent adoration which begats strength for loyal service. This may be a broader meaning than we usually attach to the word: but only this or something deeper can represent the vir something deeper can represent the iir
tue to which our Lord calls us. Man tue to which our Lord calls us. Man
was meant to stand upright in the universe and consider everything else te neath him. As the mighty sun draws the lowly plants upward to strength and beauty, so the great and good Father must draw us into the sphere of Hi own life. A great poet has said "We live by admiration, faith and love." Ac cording to this true thought given to the poet's spirit, if we are to love at all in the deepest sense there must be One in the deepest sense there must be One
above to whom our most earnest above to whom our most earnest
thoughts and desires may rise. How can a man grow, how can he be lifted up into a larger life without the thought of a God of purity and peacei Only the eternal Son can attract us upward. It has often been said that "the undevont astronomer is mad." The man who can constantly study the sun, moon and stars of light, without finding sugges stars of light, without finding sugges
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ing in spiritual insight. It has also ing in spiritual insight. It has also
been said both truly and forcibly, "The highest art is always the most religious and the greatest artist is always a most devout man. A scoffing Raphael or Michael Angelo is not conceivable." Mr. Gladstone once wrote these wise words; "Reverence is essential, "nd where there is reverence I am not dis posed to quarrel with my brother about ritual." All such sayings teach us that the basis of religious life is in deep humility and child-like fear of God. A man who scoffs at things sacred, and who despises mysteries, may be clever but he is very shallow The man who counts nothing holy has no real rest of the soul and no large hopes of the future. Not to speak of positive profanity, irreverence causes the noblest feelings to wither away and dooms a man to spiritual barreness.
Gur Lord in teaching us to be reverent does not lay down any formal rules as the Rabbis did, and as priests have done in every age. He appeals to the heart and seeks to fill the soul with terder thoughts of God. What Our Lord gives us is not a lecture on reverence but a child-like, reverent prayer to the Heavenly Father. In other parts of "the sermon on the Mount," he protests against the grubbing formalism of the Pharisees, with all its dead tradi tions and hair-splitting distinctions, which destroyed the spirit of reverence
while professing to eherish it. These pedantic teachers tried to make up by a multitude of rules what they were lack ing in intensity of life.
It may help us to understand more clearly the life of the people and the teaching of our Lord. to note the way in which the Divine was treated among the Hebrew people in different periods of their national life. Historians of all kinds tell us that they were a people of strong religious instincts, and we be lieve that they were in a special sense under the inspiration of the Almighty In the early simple days the people used the name of God reverently in their speech and in their oaths; they en twined the Divine name with their own twined the Divine name with their own
names. The great events of their lives and the notable places of their history were tonched with God's name, as Bethel, the house of God, and Peniel, the face of God. Afterwards the name Jehovah, the special name of their God, was more and more confined to the sanetuary. It became a thing too sacred for common use. And at last it was not common use. And at last it was not
lawful to pronounce the sacred word, lawful to pronounce the sacred word,
even in the synagogue. Its proper even in the synagogue. Its proper
pronunciation was lost and is a matter pronunciation was lost and is a matter
of controversy today. The word Lovd was substituted for it as something less awful. That usage has come down to our time through the influence of our English Bible. This silence and fear had much superstition in it. It was in the days of formalism, when the Itivine presence was not much felt, that vine presence was not much felt, that
men treated the mere name with superstitious reverence or rather respect. If we can enter is some measure into the spirit of our Master we shall not be afraid to use the name of God; and we shall not use it either with formal fas. tidiousness or with irreverent familiar. ity.

The name of God does not mean a word or sound merely, The Hebre'vs by the "name of God" meant the being and nature of God. A name is only use ful to us as it reveals the Divine Na ture, and kindles our respect and awe for the living God himself. The names of God are full of teaching and we hallow the Divine Name when we ear nestly and reverently seek their significance. Our Saxon name God means the Good One and points to Him who is perfect in goodness. This name, simple as it is, should draw us nearer to Heaven and save us from many false views. The word in common use among the Israelites for God seems to have in it a vague idea of power, begotten in the soul by the encompassing overpowering forces of nature. It has in it a thought of God before which the trembling spirit crouches in guilty, helpless fear. Another word often used refers to God as the almighty giving prominence to the limitless powers of God. The Old Testament is full of the praises of Divine Majesty. All the terrible in the world of nature are used as illustrations of the awful presence of God.
The great name Jehovah seems to have as its fundamental thoughts unitv. self-existence, eternity. It utters forth the secret of the Divine nature in the simple sublime words "I am." It was a wonderful name. It brought a new revelation and a new life to the heart of the Israelitish people. It was the name of their covenant God in whom all their personal and national hones centred. It was a name that carried in itself the promise of redemption and inspired God's servants in many a battle against tyranny and idolatrv. What a pity and what a reproach to human nature that such a name of power should become at last a mere fetish which men worshipped in slavish fear. This name was most hallowed when men clung to it in their simple devotions, and found it full of inspiration in the battle of life.
When we are asked what is in a name we may well remember the name $n$ Jesus. It is connected with the name Joshua a name of salvation centuries before the birth of our Lord. It speaks
of the saving power of God, and vet associated as it is with all that is most associated as it is with all that is mest
lowly and tender in the ministry of our lowly and fender in the ministry of our Master it comes to us with soothing in-
fluence in our moments of greatest $I$ erplexity and deepest need.
Jesus! the name that charms our fear 4 ,
That bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.
Many a child has been lulled to sleep by this name; many a weary pilgrin has spoken it to himself to revive his drooping courage; many a martyr has found it full of sweetness in the hour of fiercest conflict ; many a penitent soul has felt its power to dry the bitterest tears; many a dying saint has gome home to God saying," Lord Jesus, receive by spirit." God forbid that this nane should ever become to us a mere cant expression, an empty sound.

There is in an awakened soul a de sire to know the name of God. What deep pathetic feeling there is in the story of Jacob and what agony of zoal in the prayer, "Tell me thy name." We do not like the nameless unknown, we turn away from it in shivering dread. When we meet any new fact or force sa are not content until we have fixed some name upon it. The name wher first given expresses a living thought though our knowledge is only partial. Afterwards the name by its very mon monnes may veil the real thing from us. The name hides our ignoran"e. We are content with a name and neglect the significance. No one name can compass the whole of the Divine na compass the whole of the Divine na
ture. God breaks up the names and ture. God breaks up the names and
reveals Himself in the new ones. When reveals Himself in the new ones. When
a name has lost its power, He takes i: a name has lost its power, He takes it
from us or baptises it with a vev spirit. It is good lor us to have the old truth put in new ways and in new words. Let us take the names of God which have been graciously given and ponder them in our hearts that we may learn to know and fear Him .
We come back now to the new name, the broader, ricber name which our Lord has revealed. This name he has hallowed by His life of reverence, submission and loyalty; this name He has handed down to us as a sacred treasure. He teaches us to think of God as our Father, and if we can grasp His teach ing we shall be saved both from superstition and irreverence. This name is one that can never grow old. The more we grow in knowledge and purity, the more meaning will it bring to our hearts. One way in which we may "Hallow the name of God," is by learaing to grasp with personal loving faith this new name, "Our ather."

This name most of any should save us from irreverence. If we realize this con from irreverence. If we realize this con-
ception of God we cannot be profane. Among the ancients a very important part of the meaning of the word piety was respect and loyalty to parents. There must be much truth in this for our Lord teaches that religion consists in coming like little children to the feet of God. A young man who las any sense or goodness respects his father; and though that father may have many faults and imperfections the have many faults and imperfections the
son strives to maintain a deeper respect. son strives to maintain a deeper respect.
When we were very little fellows our When we were very little fellows our
father was the great man of the world; father was the great man of the world;
and the goal of our ambition was to grow up and be like him. While fuller knowledge may lead us to correct this view, the feeling out of which it grew ought to rise up and take hold of God When we come with enlightened faith to regard Him as our Father we shall grow in thoughtful reverence. We shall grow in thoughtful reverence. We
shaight in sober worship and faithshall delight in sober worship and faith-
ful work. We may not show our reverful work. We may not show our rever
ence by the same ceremonies and obser vances as others, but it will be none the less real. We shall seek in our own way to worship God in spirit and in truth, and honor the God of righteousness in our whole life.

If we cherish this conception of God it will lead us away from low narrow thoughts of the Divine Character. Wi must avoid undue familiarity with the name of God: we must also keep clear of superstitious dread. We must not think that God is such a One as wur elves-small, partial, revengeful. Many thoughts that perpiex us and fears that torment us may be lessened if not driven away by the belief in God as Our Father. The great question for each one of us now is, "Do we place a rever ent trust in Godi Do we find that ent trust in God Do we find that
nature and life is made sacred and solemn to us by the constant presence of God; or is God a mere name which our tongue utters but to which our heart is a stranger?' 'This trust will save us not only from scepticism and superstition, but also from that coarse flippant style which dulls the fine edge of the spirit. Thus aione can our life become truly a godly life through our communion with godly life through our communion with
the God of love. God has sought us as a the God of love. God has sought us as a
father seeks his wandering child. Griev ed by our folly and rudeness He still makes a way for our salvation through the sacrifice of His own son. Through his sacrifice we get back to childhood and to reverent trust in the Divine Father. At the cross of Christ, where the darkness of our sin is conquered ly the light of Heaven's love, we can look up and say:

Father, take my hand
And through the night lead up to light,
Lead up to light thy child.'

## MUSICAL NOTES.

Up to the present no communications have been received, so it is assumed that the readers of the "Domin. ion Presbyterian" agree with the views expressed in the article "A Plea for Better Congregational Singing." This is very gratifying to the author.

Mr. Fred T. Egener, of Goderich, has recently been appointed organist and choirmaster of Zion Church, Brantford, a position lately occupied by Mr. Kenyon, now of Ottawa. Mr. Egener thoroughly deserves his promotion.

The new organ erected in Erskine Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, is in every respect worthy of the organist, Dr. C. L. M. Harris. This is saying much.

Should choirmasters have any diffleulty in selecting new music, Mr. Rickwood will be pleased to offer suggestions, if they will write giving par. ticulars as to size of cholr and music that has been sung by same. All communications should be addressed to C. J. L. Rickwood, Box 221, Perth, Ont.

## The Duty of Choir Members.

There have been few, if any, articles written upon this topic, and therefore it is thought that the following may prove interesting and helpful to our readers-especially those interested in the musical portion of the service of the church.
No person should join a choir unless he realizes the obligations imposed upon him by so doing: they are many, and not lightly to be entered upon, not the least being regular attendance at choir practice and at services.

It may, perhaps, happen that one has been exceptionally gifted in vocal abil. ity, and it occurs to that one that he would like to join the choir. He is a good reader, and, in short, has every qualification desirable in a choir member.
He is heartily welcomed by the choirmaster, as it does not often fall to his lot to receive applications from one so desirable in every respect. He is undoubtedly a great help at both service and choir practice, but after a time he finds that he is able to read off almost any music that is set before
him, and therefore, in his opinion, it is unnecessary for him to attend choir practice. Surely this is a mistake. Ought he not to give his fellow-members the beneflt of his reading powers, and thus lighten their labors?
The same member is often apt to sing louder than the rest, whilst this may to a certain extent be allowable at practice, it is undesirable in the highest degree at service. No voice should be heard above the rest: rather, all the voices should blend, as do the pipes in a good organ - in fact the choir should sound like a vocal organ.
All the above has been written as referring to the masculine gender, as they are the chief offenders in the re. spects mentioned.

A word to the ladies-Dress quietly. It is well to remember that the choir is the cynosure of all eyes, and not a single detail either in dress or behavior escapes the vigilant eyes of the congre. gation.
With regard to the singing, it will be found very helpful to cultivate the habit of listening carefully, notonly to others, but also to the choir of which one is a member: by this means the quality of the music will be enhanced. as everyone will be upon their męttle to give their best production.
It is a common thing for choirs to despise the singing of hymns and old Anthems. A great pity, as it is by singing old things that one is enabled to learn to read new music,
Take a familiar example-The "Old Hundredth":-It will be potent to the most uniniated that the first few notes in the soprano have a downward ten. dency; a second glance will reveal the fact that they are next each other for first flve notes, after which comes a skip upwards-how far up? To the note from which the start was made. In an article as short as the present. it is impossible to go more fully into this matter, but the writer would suggest that members analyse familiar hymn tunes in the above manner and they will learn by experience hrw much to raise or lower their voices when a skip occurs. it is not hard to sing notes that only remove one degree from each other. In the pronunciation of the words too much care cannot be exercised particularly in the vowel sounds. One frequently hears the following, "Abide with me, fast falls the eventi-eeєde." The initial and final consonants should also be studiously observed.
The words "God" and "Lord" are consplcuous examples of the omission of the final consonant. Examples could be multiplied indefinitely, but again space does not permit.

It is by attention to such details as the above-mentioned that a choir earns the reputation of saying words plainly - which to the musical members of the congregation, is the only qualification which justifles the inclusion of an anthem in the service.

Be loyal to the choirmaster; remember thar has a very difflcult position to $f$ is a rule he does his best, and who can do more?

Remember all cannot be sololsts.
To sum up the above in a few words:
Be regular in attendance at. cholr practice and service.
Do not undertake what cannot be fuifilled.

Listen carefully-to others-to yourselves.

Do not despise singing hymn tunes and old anthems. Use them as means to improve your reading.

Pay attention to details of expres. sion and pronunciation.

Practice at home.
Be loyal to your cholr and choirmaster.


## JESUS BEFORE CAIAPHA3.*

(By Rev, Clarence McKinnon, B.D.)
Followed afar off, v. 58. This was Peter's first mistake and the devil's opportunity. If only by fear or suke. warmness, a distance is put between us and our saviour, there is no telling how serious sin we may not be betrayed into committing. Put a green log beside a candle, and there is no danger of a conflagration; but place beside a candle a few shavings, then a handful of dry stleks, then some pieces of stouter fuel, and there will soon be such a fire kindled that it will quickly consume even the green log. A great sin, some gross crime, suddenly confronting an earnest sout, is no temp. tation. The very thought of it is dismissed with scorn. But let that soul first be betrayed Into carelessness and begin like Peter to follow afar off, and gradually it will become inured to greater sins, until at length it finds fself guilty of that very deed, from whose sight it hat first shrunk in abhorrence. The only safeguard for the Christian is to keep close to the Master.
Many false witnesses, v. 60. Their mouths have never been stopped Hatred, covetousness, lust breed thous. ands of them today. When Dr. Geil the famous modern traveller, who has covered $120,000 \mathrm{mfles}$ and visited more native races than any other living man. landed on an Island on the Pacific Ocean, he was told a horrible story about a missionary. A little investiga. thon showed him that his informant was a dishonest man and the story had no foundation. At another island, he was regaled by a fellow-traveller with worse stories still, in whtch he remg. nfzed worn-out tales that had been used against misslonaries from time tmmemorial. He investigated again, and found, of course, that there was no Poundation for the storles, and further, that the teller of them was wanted by the police of $t$ wo different comatries for his crimes. After a singularly wide and varied observation, Dr, Geil has come to the concluslon that charges against the character and success of Christian missions are fabricated largely by those who live sinful lives, and whose nefarious means of livelihood are menaced by the purity and power of the Christian religion. When one hears an accusation against the church of Christ or His ambassadors, he ad. vises that he should investigate the character of the accuser
Jesus held his peace, v. 63. Wesley was walking through St. Paul's church. yard one day, when he observed two women standing opposite to each other. One was speaking and gesticulating with great violence. But the other stood calm and silent. Just as he was passing, the angry one clenched her fist, and stamped her foot, and shouted in exasperation, "Speak, wretch, that I may have something to say." And Wesley remarked to his friend, "That was a lesson to me. Silence is often the best answer to abuse," In the presence of prefudice and anger it is useless to argue. One's opponent is not open to conviction. It is best to bear it all in patient silence. Let Jesus be our example.
*S. S. Lesson, November 18, 1906. Matthew 26: 57-68. Commit to memory vs, 67, 68. Read Mark 14:53-72; Luke 22: 54-71. Golden Text-"He is desplsed and rejected of men. Isalah 53:3.

Thy foes might hate, despise, revile, Thy friends ungrateful prove tuwcaried in forgiveness still,
Thy lieart could only love."
The Christ, the Son of God, v. 63. In the narrow streets of old Paris a terribie fire broke out. $A$ father arose to find the room full of smoke and the way if iscape cut off. Just a narrow alley divided his house from the house actoss the way. He was able to leap over himself. But alas, his little chil. dien were unable to follow. Broken. hearted by their cries, the desper. sito father stretched his body across the aliey, and thus enabled the little ones to crawl over his human bridge to t place of safety on the other side. Chist, both Son of God and Son of $m_{a}^{n}$, is the living Bridge that stretches foct: tive perishing earth to the place of safely above. Only by Him can we be delivered from destruction. How important, therefore, that we make no mistake, but anxiously inquire whether Jesus be the Chrlst, and how happy our confidence when we receive in our hearts the reassuring answer that He is!

Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, v. 64. Men are naturally very nar. row in their estimate of the limits of the divine power. Napoleon, after he had successfully achieved many victories by his extra. ordinary generalship, became very ordinary generalship, became very
lofty $i_{a}$ his remarks about God. ${ }_{\text {"I }}$ lofty in his remarks about God. "I
have observed," he said, cynically. "that God is always on the side of the largest battalions." But like Nebuch. adnezzar, his valn self-confidence was soon to learn its error. Nappleon led his Grand Army across the Niemen: he won the fearful battle of Borodino: he captured Smolensk; he dictated a dispatch from the Kremlin at Moscow. "Then." as Farrar so strikingly says, "the soft snows of God-no more-began to fall; and annihilated by the most insignificant of the powers of heaven, his Grand Army was tossed out of Russia." Those who scorn Christ's power at Those who scorn Christ's power at
present, because he is so patient to. ward them, will one day behold Him exalted to the right hand of power and learn the humiliating truth of how sadly they had fallen short in their estimate of His might.
They spit in his face, v. 67. Never had a kinder face been seen in the world, than that of Jesus. Hardly an hour passed but He was helping some poor wretch in his sickness or his sorrow. Everywhere he planted a sunbeam where he found a shadow. He "went about doing good." And yet this was the treatment that He received from a generation that He had come to help. But if it seems very ungrate ful on their part, thus to reward His kindness, must it not be still more un. grateful when, after He has been bless. Ing the world for nineteen centuries and more, we still forget him, or speak slightingly of Him, or take His loved name on profane lips. Our indiffer ence wounds Him as surely as the insults and buffets of the rude soldiery on the morning of His crucifixion.

Yaith and prayer are golden wings By which we mount to nobler things.

Our want of usefulness is often to be ascribed to our want of spirituality, much oftener than to our want of ha tural ability.-A. FULLER.

## LIGHT FROM THE EAST.

## (By Rev. James Ross, D.D.)

Caiaphas-Joseph Caiaphas was ap. pointed high priest in 18 A. D., by Val. erius Gratus, who was procurator be fore Pilate. His father-in-law, Annas, had held the office for nine rs under the preceding governor. There were the leading representatives of the party of Sadducees, and were unscrupulous and intriguing time-servers, who are scath. ed in terrible language in the Talmud The renegade Josephus calls Annas the happlest man of his time, because he died at an advanced old age, and because he and flive of his sons, and his son-in-law, held the high priesthood. Calaphas was the leading spirit in the councll which first devised the death of Jesus. He advised that Christ should be put to death (John 11: 49, 50; 18: 14), before a popular rising in His favor should call down upon them the ven geance of the Romans. His conduct on that occasion illustrates his usual disregard of justice and religion, and also the adroitness with which he could cover his self-interest under the cloak of patriotism. He continued to hold office till A.D. 36, when he was removed by the proconsul Vitellius. He was regarded by all patriotic Jews as a creat are of the Romans, and obtained from them only scanty respect.

## THE DISGRACE OF SIN.

We have just read of a man who had been convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary. To his counsel, as he was led out of the courtroom, he cried: "I can not bear this disgrace." It was wringing his heart. While he was engaged in sinning he felt it not, but when the public punishment came, he felt it keenly.
This was in a human court. But there is another court to be held in the future. In it the Lord Jesus will sit as Judge. Then there will be a tremendous gathering of spectators; all presence of them all we shall each hear the decision of the Judge as to himself, either, "Come ye blessed or "Depart ye cursed."

Then shall we understand the words of the angel as he told Daniel that on that day "some shall awake to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Then whil be fulfilled the picture that is found $n$ the sixth chapter of Revelation. it presents to us even the kings of the earth as hiding in the dens and in the rocks of the mounfains, and saying to the mountains and rocks: "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb."
Men fear shame. The greatest of all shame is that of the last great day. The time to escape from that shame is today.-Southern Presbyterian.

By the fireside still the light is shining, The children's arms round the parents twining.
For love so sweet, oh, who would roam? Be it ever so homely, home is home.
D. M. Muloch.

We know not the day of Christ's coming. We cannot hear the sound of his chariot wheels. When they come they will come softly, like the sound of a footfall in the snow, like wheels that move through wool. What he says to you and me is: "Occupy till I come."

## THE DOMINION PRESBYTERIAN.

## A NEW BIBLE STORY.

During the siege of Pori Arthur a Japanese soldier lost both of his eyes by a cruel bullet. Again and again he thegged his comrades to kill him, but of course they would not. He was brought to one of the military hospitals in tokio to be cared for uatil able to return home.
Here also he pleaded with the other mbilers to end his life, and as he began to recover his health he became more and more sad. One day he said: "Well, I will go home and let my family see me just once, then no one can prevent my killing myself. No hara in putting an end to my own misery." Every few days a missionary visited this hospital, taking the soldiers flowers, Goppels. tracts, etc., and taught them absut Jesus. Some of the officials of the hospital said to her: "There is a man there who has lost his eyes and seams quite lonely. If you have time, we should like to have you visit him."
They did not tell how he had wanted to die, and how he had tireatened to kill himself. The missionary went to his bedside and talked to him several times. At first he did not take very much interest in anything she said. but gradually became quite friendly.
Finally she asked bim if he would not like to learn to read, and he was o supprised at such a question, fos while he could read before going to battle, how could he ever do so again? But the missionary taught him to read t'e blind man's Bible.
The other soldiers could not believe that he could read, and tried to teaze that he could read, "and tried to teaze an, verce you please, and I will show
thyt I can read." 8 , they kept ele ting, and to their astonishment he could read everything and enjoyed doing so, all the more because l. wanted to teach the Bible to the other men.
When this blind soldier was able to return home, some one said to him just as he was leaving the hospital, "Are you going to kill yourself after you have seen your family $\overline{\mathrm{F}}$ " and he replied, "No, I am guing home to teach my wife and children Christianity; I am glad that I was wounded, for now 1 am a Christian.

## PRAYER.

Hielp, us in all good purposes, in atl intentions that express themselves in the direction of faith and hope and love. Help us to stir up the gift that is within us; may ours be lives of con secrated energy, given to our Father's business, returning to the temple be cauce it is our Father's house. Speak t) esch as each most needs Thy voice, Some are heavy with sleep, and they require the thunder to arouse them: and some are so tired and weary utter ly that even a breath of wind might earry them away; Thou knowest how to speak to snch. Thou givest the tom to speak to such. Thou givest the ton-
gue of the learned to Thy teachers and gue of the learued to Thy teachers and
preachers, that they may speak a word preachers, that they may speak a word
in season to them that are weary. Amen.

Both halves of the truth are ours, and we claim the whole of it. The death of Christ is ours, and we rest in it our hopes of acceptanca with God in time and in eternity. This is what we begin with, but we do not end with it. We will go on from His death to His life, and, with the love begotten of he. ing redeemed, try to reproduce that life is our own. In the same way, whilst glorying in His divinity, we will allow none to rob us of the attraction and the example of His humanity, for in deed the perfection of His humanity, with what this implies as to the value of His testimony about Himself, is the strongest bulwark of our faith that He was more than man.-Dr. Stalker in Image Christi.

## THE LESSON OF THE FOOT WASHING.

By Rev. Profenor D. J. Fraser, B.D.
The disciples came to the holy supper heated with argument and vexed with nocial ambitions, and no one of them volmutcered to do the work that was commonly arsigned to a mave. Jexus, "knowing that the Father had given all things into II: landas," rose from the table, girded Ilimself with a towel, poured water into the lasin, and pasaing from one to another of the sulking group recumbent at the meal, He beat over them as the humblest serHe beat over them as the humblest ser-
vant would do, and washed His disciples vant
feet.
Never conld they forget the lowon hanght them, with stech gracious dignity and kindly tact, by that aot of self-aksement. With dramatic effeet, Jesus told thesin what it is to ve greatest in the king. don of heswen. He was futly consacions of the dignity of His Mestiana mision, but He took the divine power with which He was entrusted and devoted it to the Jowliest of ures. He thua taught His dismiples that service is the sole condition of Miristian lesdership, that greatners in the kingdom consids essentially in helpfulness, that the highest gifts find their true glory in the humblest ministries of life.
Let us carry this lesson from every communion service: Christ gives us His boty and blood, that we may have strength to do His works.
"Take ye the bread,
Change it again,
Your powers of life inspiring;
Do as He said.
Quit you like men,
To work out the Lord's desiring.
Thake of the wine,
Olange it anew,
To life's impetuous torrent;
This be the sign,
Faithful and true,-
To fight as duty shall warmant."
This was the chorus which Parsifal hieand the knights sing at the close of the Holy Feast. They rejoiced that "at the tabler of communion love" they received the strength of purity to guard the Holy Grail. We are not called to any such dramatic service to defend the Holy Cup from the foul-hearted Klingsor, or to go forth in knightly armor to wrest from him the Holy Spear. We are called to pertorm the humbler ministries of life, but our comomplace service demands an equal purity and valor; and at ous feast of love we, too, may hear the sweet ant!-phony,--
"Blood and boly, gift of blessing,
Now he kiver for your refreshing.
Changes by Ilis Spirit true
To the wine for you outpoured,
To the bread that strengthens you." The Holy Communion-strengthend us for the lowly task to which the example of the most kinfly in human history summons us,-"Ye abso ought to wash one anther's feet." Have we come to the communion service with selfish thoughts. that divide us from one , nother and from Christ, with a proud sens of our superiorvity, with restless ambition for social dist inction? Are we unwilling to serve and anxions to rule? Are we thinking of our rights rather than of our duty? Are we so heated and disappointed and resentful. that we neglect the little courtesies and thoughtful kindnesses that might sweeten our common life? Are we tired of our humdruan tavks, and eager for some great thing to do? Do we miss the poetry of the commonplace and long for a summons to some brilliant crusade? Then may ours be the vision of the Christ riving from His place at the holy table, and bending to the lowfiest of ministries, and saying to each of us: "I have given you an example. that se should do as I have done before." Preshyterian College, Montreal.

We want nothing but the return of apostolical simplicity, self denial, and love, to bring a Pentecostal effusion of the Spirit upon our ministrations.

## ALCOHOL AND ALCOHOLISM.

A recent note in the Dominion Pres byterian indicated how effectively temperance workers in Great Britain are utilizing the public "bill boards" for the purpose of informing the peop, leas to the dire effects flowing from the liquor traffic and the danger of using al coholic beverages. The following is a sample of an official proclamation post. ed by more than sixty municipalities in Great Britain:
CITY OF NOTTINGHAM.-PHYSICAL
deterioration and alcoHOLISM.
The report of the committee present ed to Parliament by command of Hi s Majesty states that:
The abuse of alcohotic stimulants is a most potent and deadly agent of P'iny sical Deterioration.
Alcoholic persons are specially liable to tuberculosis and all inflammatory disorders. Evidence was placed before the committee showing that in abstin ence is to be sought the source of mus cular vigor and activity. The lunacy figures show a large and increasing number of admissions of both sexes which are due to drink,
The followin: drink
the medical fession, recognized by he medical fession and placarded all over France by order of the govern ment, are published in order to carry out the recommendation of the commit tee, and to bring home to men and wo men the fatal effects of alcohol on phy sical efficiency:
(1) Alcoholism is a chronic poisoning, resulting from the habitual use of al cohol (whether as spirits, wine or beer) which may never go as far as drunken ness.
(2) It is a mistake to say that those doing hard work require stimulants. As a fact, no one requires alcohol as either food or tonic.
(3) Alcohol is really a narcotic, dulling the nerves like laudanum or opium, but it is more dangerons than either, in that often its first effect is to weaken a man's self control while his passions are excited; hence the number of crimes Which occur under its influence.
(4) Spirits, as usually taken, rapidly pronuce alcoholism, but milder alco holig drinks, as beer, and even cider twak repeatedly every day, produce af. certainty. alcoholic poisoning with equal crtaiuty.

The habit of drinking leads to ine in of families, the neglect of so ial daties, disgust for work, misery, and crime. It also leads to the hospital, for alcohol produces the most sarious and the most fatal diseases, in cluding paralysis, insanity, diseases inthe stomach and liver, and dropsy. it also paves the way to consumption and frequenters of public houses furnish a larse proportion of the victims of this disease. It complicates and aggravates all acute diseases: typhoid fever, puenmonia, erysipelas are rapidly fatal in the subject of alcoholism.
(6) The sins of alcoholic parents are visited on the children; if the e sur Give infancy they are threatened with diocy or epilepsy, and many are car ried away by tuberculosis, meningitis, or pithisis (consumption).
(7) In short, alcohol is the most ter rible enemy to personal health, to fam ily happiness, and to national prosper ity.

By order of the Health Committee: Forbes Robertson Mutch, M.D., Chair man; Philip Boobbyer, M.D., Medical Officer of Health; Countersigned, Samuel G. Johnson, Town Clerk.
What a sensation would be created if the Provineial Board of Health ind the clerks of municipalities should mus. the clerks of municipalities should mus
ter up courage enough to follow the ex. ter up courage enough to follow the ex-
ample of the officials of the English ample of the officials of the English
city of Nottingham. Why should not such pregnant facts regarding alcohol and alcoholism be taught in the public schools of our country and be publish ed broadcast in every municipality ${ }^{?}$

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Mr. Warren, business manager of the Canadian Baptist, and a bright news. paper man, has been elected president of the Baptist Union at its recent meeting at Peterboro'. The choice in this tase is an excellent one, and we heart ily congratulate Mr. Warren on the honor done him by his brethren. It is not often that a miere "layman" is elevated to the chief office in an $2 c$ clesiastical gathering.

A French Catholic clergyman, Abbe Naudet, publishes a vẹry candid opinion of his own Communion. He writes"The masses of the French nation will never become recraciled to Catholicism vutil they find, in their every-day experience, that people who go to mass lead better lives and do more good than those who do not go to it. But instead of finding this, they see that all the efforts de in France in recent years to prom te great moral aimssuch as checking tuberculosis or putting down intemperance and immoral literature-were set on foot, and are still kept at work, almost exclusively by Protestants or Jews or other nonCatholics. It is the rarest exception to find any Catholic amongst their active supporters." The Belfast Witness remarks: "Here in Ireland it is very rare to find Romanist clergy zealously working for temperance or any other social improvement. And the pity is the more because they might have so much influence." We are pleased to say that this cannot be said of the Roman Catholic elergy in Canada. Many of them take an active part in promoting moral reforms and in doing so co-operate heartily with Protestants.

## THEATRE-GOING.

The correspondence column in "The British Weekly," which was for a considerable time under the charge of Mr . Campbell, successor to Dr. Parker's pul. pit, is now conducted by Rev. David Smith, well-known writer and preacher, of Tulliallan, Scotland. Recently, one of the questions was, "What is your opinion about theatre-going? St ould professing Christians abstain from it?"
We quote part of Mr. Smith's reply: "In ancient Athens the theatre was a noble institution, educative and truly religious; and now perhaps if might, and perhaps sometimes does, serve high uses. Yet 1 have never gone to the theatre, and never mean to go. I am not prepared to lay down a law, but I may put some considerations before you. (1) Would you like to see your mi ister at the theatre? Would it not lower your estimation of him as a spiritually-minded man? If it be unfitting for him, how is it befitting for you? (2) Here, as elsewhere, the ques. tion is not, 'Is this thing legitimate,' but 'Is it conducive to my spiritual health, and my usefulness to the Kingdom of Heaven? Dues it befit one redeemed by Christ and covenanted to His Service? When we yield our. selves to Christ, there is a radical change in our views and affections, and the question of the legitimacy of worldly pleasures never presents it. self. We have lost taste for them; we do not want them; we have got some. thing better."
"Guard your Sundays" is a warning which now-a-days often finds place in the columns of religious journals. It is a good thing that the thought is being kept constantly before the people in these mammon-worshipping days. Here is what the late Bishop Westcott once said upon the subject: "I en. deavor to press on all the simple counsel, guard your Sundays. I believe that England owes her stability and greatness to the general observance of the Day of Rest and the study of the Holy Scriptures. In these times of reckless excitement and engrossing business, I do not see when we can reflect calmly on the greatest thingsthe things unseen and eternal-if the quiet of Sunday, the day of the rest of the heart,' is taken from us.' " The Christian people of Canada, if they wish well for themselves and their country, must stand by and safeguard the Christian Sabbath.

A good story was told at an induction dinuer the ther day. A good many years ago the then minister of Newbattle was a man of forceful character, who rather bossed the ecolesiastical show in the neighborhood. One of the members of the Presbytery foregathered with a friend at Assembly time, who, in the course of conversation, asked: "Who is the leader in your Presbytery now ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ "We have no leader," was the reply. "Leaders, then $\boldsymbol{T}$ " "No, we haven't any leaders." "Dear me, that's singular. How does your Presbytery get on $\mathrm{P}^{\prime \prime}$ 'Well ,the truth is, we have Thomson, of Newbattle, and he drives us!"

## A PLUCKY LITTLE MISSION.

The second anniversary of the Gival ior Presbyteriar Mission, held last Wednesday in Toronto, gave much satisfatcion to those who were present. Both the audience and the addresses testified to a growing interest in a growing work.
Mr. J. K. Macdonld, President of the Board of Management, occupied the chair, and gave, in his chairman's ad dress, a brief but strong statement of the objects, methods, and success of the Mission.

The speat-s o fthe evening was Rev Dr. Lucrs, who has completed his thirty fif h year in the North India Mis sion, and expects to go back again next September.
He spoke of Dr. Wilkie as possessing in no ordinary measure three of the most important qualifications of a sue cessful Foreign Missionary : 1st, a real and tender sympathy with the natives, and the power to draw their kindly feelings out in response; 2nd, what I may indicate by Lord Bacon's word, longanimity, and which he defines as "That quality of mind which looks ahead to the far-reaching consequences of present plans"; 3rd, the power of patient enthusiasm, with the emphasis on the patience. When constant prayer at home upholds such a man as that results may be expected.

The missionary spoke with much enthusiasm of the character of the British rule in India. He said:-
"I am an American, and I am glad to be able to testify in Canada, as I have often done among my own countrymen, that the even-handed justice of the British rule is beyond all praise. Such a band of men as the British officials in India it would be hard to match. They seem to be beyond corruption. I do not believe there is one in a thousand of them who could be approached with a bribe."
The thought of the audience was kept rather upward than downward. It was the glory of the missionary cause, and the glory and prompt faithfulness of the missionary's God that occupied the attention rather than the misery and degredation of the heathen world. At the close of the meeting, those interested in this special effort were quite ready to "thank God and take courage."

A colporteur of the American Bible Society in making a recent tour in the Philippines in company with two priests of the Independent Catholic Church, reports a significant incident. In confirming the many candidates who presented themselves, the bishop handed each one a copy of the gospel instead of the usual candle used upon such occasions. The people paid for the Bible what they would otherwise have expended for the candle, and at the end of the tour the colporteur found that there were left but few of the 18,000 Bibles with which he was equipped at the beginning in his pos. session.

## REV. ROBERT TORRANCE, D. D.

From Sentinel-Review.

- The many Woodstock friends who were in attendance at the celebration of Dr. McMullen's Jubilee will remember Rev. Dr. Torrance, of Guelph, who delivered one of the most interesting addresses of the evening. It is an odd coine dence that while it was fifty years ago, Nov. 5, that Dr. McMullen was ordained to the munistry, it was sisty years ago the same day that Dr. Torrance landed in Canada, and went to Toronto as a missionary in this courtry of the United Secession Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. Torrance was born in Market Hill, County Armagh, Ireland, in 1822. He spent his boyhood days around Wigtown and Glen Lace, and cane to Canada with his parents. He had taken the Arts course at the Royal Academical College, Belfast, and a theological course of one year in Glasgow, and three years in Edinburgh. He was licensed to preach at 22 years of age and was called the Boy Preacher. On arriving is Canada he declined an immediate cs.il to a Toronto congregaation and for one year travelled in his missionary work through Western Ontario, from Toronto to Goderich. He was called to Guelph and was ordained and inducted on Nov. 11, 1846, and remained as pastor until 1882, when he retired. He has been Clerk of the Presby: tery for forty years and was in 1898 Moderator of the General Assembly. Dr. Torrance is one of the best known and most highly respected Presbyterian divines in Canada, and his name throughout Ontario is a household word. In 1904 he and Mrs. Torrance held their golden wedding. On Nov. 11, 1896, Dr. Torrance celebrated his jubilee as a minister, the Presbytery of Guelph presenting him with an illuminated address. Although the reverend gentleman is 84 years of age he is well preserved in mind and body, and is one of the most active members of the Guelph Presbytery, and a most valuable as well as respected citizen of Guelph.

It must be a rather unique experience for a Nonconformi minister to be championed by the areign Office, but this has been the happy lot of the Rev. John McNeill, the famous Scotch evangelist, who, while tarrying at Malta to presch, incurred the wrath of the Catholic Bishop, and called forth the defence of Lord Elgin. None of our popular preachers has had a more romantic career. At thirteen he kept gate for the Caledonian Railway Compiny at Inverkip. He was then promoted to the booking-office at Greenock, hav ing served for three years as a porter. Next he was shifted to Edinburgh, and while there he was persuaded by friends to give up the railway for the pulpit. People talk of Mr. MeNeill as untrained, but there are few ministers, deolares the Londou Star, whose training has been more thorough. He was in college for eight years, and passed through his elassical and theological courses with credit. College days over, he had the offer of one of the richest churches in Scotland, but he refused. Instead, he took hold of a decaying chureh in Edinburgh, and filled it to overflowing.

## CRITICS OF THE PULPIT.

An English minister has made a collection of lavmen's remarks on preach re, and states the result. In a succession of apt and striking quotations from Milton. Bicon, Cowper, Pepys, Goldmith and Ruseell Lowell, among others he showed how these writers detected a worldly or unworthy spirit in preachers and how they appreciated simplicity and manly sincerity. Pulput sucress was one of the poorest stecomex, (ieorge MacDonaid had said. Closely connected with directness and simplicity of speech. With another series of happy citations the lecturer illustrated the weariness or contemnt raised by elaborate arguments and big words. They lookel for good taste in the preacher. Coleridge never heard more than one preacher who did not indulge in falee rhetoric. "It is a wonder to me," said one writer, "how men cas preach so little and so long." The most serious charge against preachers was that of unfairnoss, of cowardice that they ran riot in the pulpit, contident that there would be no contradiation. One reason why men did not come to church, said P. G. Hamerton, was beomse they heard their frindjles controverted, and they had no reply. Not only did prechers attack their opponents. but often they missepresented them. Sara Coleridge's experience was that they were almost always one-sided and unfair. The greatest number complainel of the want of practical preaching. The preacher was bevide the mark. Froude suid that he had listened to mary hundreds of sermons, but in thirty years he had never heard one on common honesty. The last piont he dealt with was the preacher's temper and npirit. The layman would have that spirit living,
 emotionalism he honoured emotion.

## BULWARK OR PROTESTANTISM.

This used to be the title appiied to the Episcopal Church. A speech de livered at Manchester by Rev. R. J. Noyes, Vicar of Harbone, shows how far the Established Church has travelled since the early Victorian days when it used to be called "the bulwark of Pro testantism," and when its connection with the State was defended on the ground that it was the nation's barrier against Rome. Mr. Noyes stated that his oyn congregation has proposed to erect a memorial to their former vicar, and to put into the inscription these words-"He was a strenuous upholder of the principles of the Protestant Reformation." But to these words the bishop objected, and the Chancellor of the Diocese refused to grant a faculty for the memorial unless the phrase was al tered. Couple with this the speech of Lord Halifes the other day, in which he said-"The principles of the Reforma tion are things to be repented of with tears and in ashes." And this the bel fast Witness remarks: "That Church never was a bulwark of Protestantism, and now it is its insidious enem,.

When faith is dead the grave of Christain zeal will be found near by. One monument will serve for both.

## LITERARY NOTES.

Readers of "The Living Age" will hail with delight another of "Life's Little Difficultes" from Punch in the number for November 17,
Principal P. 'T. Forsyth, one of the most distinguished non-conformist English leaders and writers, is the author of a striking article "The Church's One Fourdation" which "The Living Age", for November 10 reprints from "The London Quarterly Review."
An extremely intimate and up-to. date account of "Russia from Within" is furnished by the special commission. er of "The National Review," and is reprinted in "The Living Age" for November 3. It supplements the news. paper despatches and gives altogether new glimpses of the new premier, and the men who surround him. More than any recent article, it makes intel. ligible the present halt in extreme manifestations of the revolutionaries on the one hand and the reactionaries on the other.
In looking over the November Current Literature (New York) one is struck by the wealth of exceptionally interesting topics, and the bright style in which they are treated. Naturally the election of New York state takes a large share of attention, and the idea given of Hearst is that of a great personality. "The first impression that Hearst gives is one of bigness. And the second is that of being a listener. Those who see him invariably talk to him a great deal more than he talks to them. When the meeting is over Hearst is apt to know more about the other man than the other man knows about him." The pictures given of the rival candidates for the governorship of New York state show the contrast between the two men. In "Persons in the Foreground" we have three articles -The loneliness of John D. Rockefeller, Beveridge the Unquenchable, and The Most Beautiful Woman on any Throne, this last being a descriptina, with portraits, of the Czarina. It is impossible even to mention the names of the many other excellent articles in this number. Literature and Art, Music and the Drama, Religion, Science. Poetry-all have their place.

The October number of the Studio (Leicester Street, London, England) gives the leading place to a description of the Corots in the collection of Mr. Alex. Young. The illustrations, which are very fine, include one in colors. Other attractive articles are: Pencil Dawing from Nature, by Alfred East: :iodern Decorative Art at Glasgow: Some Notes on Miss Cranston's Argyle Street Tea House, by J. Taylor; Some Recent Etchiugs by Albert Baertsoen: and The Ar: of Henri Teixeira de Mattos, by Haldane Macfall. Canadians who would like to know something about Art in Great Britain and the continent of Farope should take out the Studio.

Fidward Farrer's article on Canada and the United States in the October Contemporary (Leonard Scott Publication Co., New Xork) will probably be the one of most interest to people on this side of the Atlantic. It gains in interest on account of the present very live question of the Newfoundland modus vivendi. Lovers of literature will welcome W. B. Yeats' article on Literature and the Living Yoice, in which he argues "that Irish poetry and Irish stories werp made to be spoken or sung, while English literature, alone of great literatures because the newest of them all. has all but completely shaped itself in the printing press." We mention only two out of the dozen articles in this number, all of them timely and well written.

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SKETCHES
TRAVEL

## SCOTTISH HUMOR.

By John Kerr, LL.D.
Author of "Memories; Grave and Gay," The saying generally, but perhops in courately acoribed to Sydney Smith that a surgical operation is noeded to tet a joke into a Scotsman's heas, prob-
ably resulted from a chance conversa(1)n he had been having with a dull witted Scot, and did not express his deborate estimate of the typical or verage Northorn r. I have mot Eng Tishmen of education and intelligence. bat so wantiag in the saving sense of humor that Smith's alleged witticism .ubl, if directed against an Engiish an, be an accurate individual de cription, but utterly misleading as a national one. While there are many features common to all humor, whether English, Scottish, Irish or American each has, as a rule, a more or loss dis inctly marked flavor characteristic of its nativity. Scottish humor is often pawky, forcible and laconic. We have specimen of this kind in an anedote of Lord Eldin. When he was Lord Ad acate, a brother lawyer of no great mark, but wh, thought he had a fair laim to a vacant judgeship, ealled on im and said, "I have jast come t. suggest to your Lerdship that yon
might find a worse man than mysel to fill the vacancy on the Bench." T this suggestion the pithy and discourag ing rejoinder was, "Whaur?"
Not quite so trenchant, but scarcely less pawky, was the reply I got from a very shrewd old laly of Banffshire The subject of conversation was the real character of a well known man of high social position, who, afier leading for many years a profligate and ruin ous life, became an active and even aggressive evangelist. This m.rked change in his conduct proved to be rom a worldly point of view, great! to his profit, and was probably t'e rea soa why his sincerity was by m. garded with suspicio: I aske old lady how long Mi. ... afit, to which the reply ae lang as he has been a sinior, ons

My intercourse with schoolma-ter has furnished me with some amusing examples. Mr. Reid was in many re pects an interesting character. He wa an excellent teacher, a sound scholas with not a tinge of pedantry, ha a kean sense of humor and a faculty for repir ee always suart but never ill natured ee aways simart but never ill natured. It if nearly forty years since I first made his acquaintance. He was then 50 years of age and, having led a most reputable life, had been sever 4 time asked to become an eldor. The path owards subscription to the Confession of Faith was not then so smooth as it has been since made, and though he a fairly sound in his theology, there sere passages in that very logioal bus knotty document to which he fown himself unable to append his sigen ture, and he remained a layman brother teacher whom, to prevent itlen ification we shall whom he was whom he was on friendly terms, had 10 difficulty about swallowing what hat choked ofi his professional brother and was duly elected an elder. Smith though by no means a drunkard, in lulged somewhat freely, and was re markable for the ease with which ho bore the effects of pretty deep pota fons, which would have been trying to men of weaker physigue. The quos tion of the eldership was often diseuss ed batween them, and on one oecasion when Smith was oning occasion When sinith was plaming himself little on the step in advance he had "Man, Smith, you have just been made
an elder by your power of carping
In some cases the humor is nucon cious on the part of the persol who make soriously or even sadly a state. ment which ptovokes laughter, as in the case of an acquieseent schnon has ter's widow. The teacher of a schos in the North of Seatland, after a service of nearly thirty years, fell ill and died, leaving a widow well advanced in years. The minister of the parish thought it his duty som after the funcral to call his duty son after the fancral to eall and offer her all the eonsolation in his prow. He found her in very low
pirits, erying bitterly aud almost inpirits, erying bitterly aad almost indeseribed at great length her hasband's good qualitiex, and the irreparable loss his death had cansed. She was now left alone in the world, and saw noth ing before her but a life of suffering and sorrow till the end of her days. He pointed out to her that she had areat cause for thankfulness for the long time they had lived together in long tiate they had comfort. She admitted this, but she was quite sure she would never have was quite sure she wonk never have
another day of happines. The minis. ler tried to make hor see that her case, though a painful one, was not peeuliar, but was the esmmm fate of all; that Wh: should bear in mind that the lord Cha ir mise it to be a father of the fa $^{2}$ the stould throw herself and all her roubles on the Lord, who would keep his promise. Partially comforted by his liomise bati-d her tears adi ing, "Weel, at my time of life there's ing, "Weel, at my titne of life theres I'll just hate tae tak' the Lord." What happens when we have "shuf fled off this mortal coil" may be consider:d from different points of view. The widow just referred to was chiefIy coneerned with the probable effect upon herself of her husband's death. Another widow of more sympathetic type gave gratec consideration to the monab of hor decea-cd ?atlace in the next world. To the min for a long and case for thamk inlness for a long and happy married
life she rpplied. "Aye, we had five and an yotr thegither, amd noo he's awa afore me. I'm thankfu', but it will be lang afore I get owre his death, for he was a kind man to me." "But, sand the minist $r$, "yon wu-t hear in mind wad a welltivint man, an elder in the church, and that the ctange has been for $h$ good, and that he has gone above." "Aye," the replied, "and muckle he's made up wi' that; a wake man like him wittia' nakit on a cauld clood, flaftin' twa goose wings, blawin' a lang mail c aci trumpet, and singin' hallelujahs! Muckle he's made up wi that.
Fre speciall -mgetawion Fre Church teacher had net her heart on proving to the wife of the Established Chureh teach'r that the Bible showed the Free Church t, be right and the other wrong. Th, latter retting tired of repeated attacks, appealed for help to har own minister, asking what Whe should do to get rid of the annoyance. He advised hor never to mind the other's arguments, but just stick firm to her own Church. A week or two thereafter she called again on her finister and witt a beaming counten ance exclaimed, "I've witled her noo I've settled her noo!" The minister had firgotten the przvious conversation, and asked what she meant. "Oh, it's aboot Mrs. MacPherson and her Free Kirk argamints again; but Ive sent her awa' wi' a flea in her lug that'll keep lier at hame for a while." "How did you manage that?" "Oh, she cam' in the ither day wi' her arguments again,
but I had been readin' my Bible wi frofit, and had a settler for her frae the New Testament. I said to her, 'Jus ye turn up to Acts 16 and 5, and I garred her read it herself, 'and so tho 'hurshes were established!' Man, she had no' a word to say. She'll no bother me again, I'm thinkin'.
A worthy teacher who was sorely ex rrised on the question of eternal pun -hment had a consutation on the mojet with his minister, stying that he could not eonceive it possible that a diod of love and merey could doom , ev tiasting torture even the greatest of sinners. The minister, sitting Araght up in his chair and assuming a thonghiful attitude, admitted that the same question had often been a great trouble to himsalf, and the only explan ation he could think of was that there ation he could think of was that there were no doubt many things that God would rather not do personally, but he was compelled to do them in his "ofli"hal" capacity.
For a good many years after the Dis fuption in 1843 there was a feeling of bitt r rivalry between those who re mained in and those who left ne Es tablished Church. In many parishes the Free Church erected schools in the neighborhood of the parish nd other schools connected with the E-tabliched Church. There were many cases in which there was little friend ly intore thise between the teachers, and the wives naturally took the side of their husbands. In one parish in the north the mutual dislike of two teachers' wives led to frequent argu ments about the respective merits of their ministers as preachers. "Oh," 4aid one, "you shonld have heard our minister's sermon last Sunday. It was nane o' your dry, moderate sermons. It, was a rousin' discoorve. It wud ha'e dune your heart gude to hear't. He jut voamitit the gospel." To which the other replied, "Weel, I'm richt sorry for the Pror man, for it's sair bockin ar an enty ston't h."-Glasgow News

## THE INDIAN PANTHER.

One of the most dangerous pests of In dia is being perseveringly circumvented. In the Province of Birass the panther is called "bipat," which means "calamity. His proper name is tendwa. The pan thers habitually prowl round the villages at mightfall, sallying forth from the for esis to watch the paths by which the fiocks and herds return to their resting places. They not only attack doys, goats, and young catte, but also child ron, sometimes dashing into a hut, even where a light is burning, and carrying off some victim. They cannot be fol lowed into their impenetraile cover, and they never show themseives by dayligit They are therefore destroyed by strategy A stray dog is caught and tied on to the punther's habitual path. It is carried oif in the night and devoured. Next day a "machan," or platform is fixed in a convenient tree, and in the evening a kid is tied on the spot oceapied we viously by the dog. The solitary lid by its bleating brings the marauders, who are skulking about, to the spot where they are speedily shot by sports men concealed in the machan. A writer in the "Field" gives a very interesting account of the process, which is steadily diminishing the havoe wrought by the Indian panther.

Singlng blrds have been found in numerous quantitles by explorers within the Arctle clrcle. The Immense crops of berrles that ripen in the northern swamps account for the presence of the blrds.

## THE CHILDREN'S PARTY.

By Anna D. Walker.
"Mamma has left us to keep house and I'm bound to do something tine," cried Eloise Barker to her younger sister, Josephine.
"What are you going to dot" asked Josephine, in surprise.
-Oh, goosey, what I've been longing to do, have a party, that's what.
"Oh, oh, what fun; what'll you treat them on ?'
"Why, first of all, I'il make a cake," and Eloise drew herself up with an air of importance as she spoke.

You can't make a cake!" and the younger girl looked incredulous.
"Yes, I can; you just mix up egg and sugar and butter with baking pow der and flour and water, and stir, then bake it, so now! You run around ind invite all the little girls we know white 1 make it."
Josephine started off with alacrity $i \mathrm{n} 1$ left her sister to her more difiicult task. When the younger girl returned and re ported twelve invitations given, found Eloise with a perplexed, worried face taking from the oven a heavy ma of something she chose to call caik "something wrong with it," she said: -I don't know what, so we'll just have is go to the store and buy our treat
'Oh !" cried Josepline, "manma wo like it; she'll be real angry at us
"Now, you Josephine Barker. :uvited all those children and we'se got to treat them, so there's nothing to do but take the grocery looks and go t. the stcere and buy things"; and sei 11 :z the book in question, she went to make the purchases. Then the boik bore this entry: "Ginger snaps, three pounts: entry: Ginger snaps, moee pounts: cand, four pounds: lemons, four dozen:
sugar, three pounds: mised cakes, five sugar, the
pounds."
pounds."
"Mamma wou't look at the book." crled the naughty girl, as she surveved her purchases: adding in a satisfled tone, "there'll be a ine treat at anns rate!" Then suddenly recollecting herself she sent Josephine back to the grocer's to buy oranges, ofdering two dozen.
At three o'clock all the children had arrived and the ganes commenced in earnest.
Eloise whispered to her sister that thev wouid have to serve the refreshments early or their,mother would be at home and find out all. Accordingly by half aiter four the lewonade was ready and the guests were served. Of course the order was not very marked in the oistribution of the cakes and confections, but the guests were not critical and all fell to eating with a keel. relish. fell to eating with a keen relf.h.
Eloise began to congratulate her elf on Eloise began to congratulate herself ond
her successfulness when who should walk into the dining room but le: mother Here was a problem indeed. The mother was too astonished to at once speak and Eloise too dumfounded to utter a word. Josephine was the first to break the suspenseful silence. "Oi. mamma, manma," she cried, "you just come in time for the party. There lots of candy and cake yet, do have some! Mrs. Barker scarcely noticias:
this exclamation waited till the repas: was finished and then said: "Now the party will have to break up at once ar Eloise has some important duties to do."
The children departed and then the justly angry mother demanded of her eldest daughter an explanation of the affair.
With many tears and sobs Eloise told the whole and was obliged to empty out her little bank to pay the debt she had incurred and then she had a losen of Solomon's remedy for naughty children and sorrily repented her clandestine party.
The whale's nose is on the top of the head-at least, that is where the nostrils are situated, through which it sends the columns of water when "spouting." Whales only spout while feeding.

## LIVE TO SERVE.

He who most serves-most lives, No truth more elear and bright; The way to life is sacrifice, Its certain issue-light.

He who most lives, mine serves, From service issues joy; Joy of hert-a spirit ${ }^{j}$
Blessing without alloy,

Live to serve, and serve to livePure and good-goud and pare, A cholice and lastims treasure

## WHEN THE LEAVES FALL.

When the storm clouds gather behind the browa autumal woods and cold winds begin to blow, then the bright leaves come drifting donn in tluttoring, fas: thickening shower, until it almost seems as if the wind were the active agent and actually tore the leaves from the trees. This, of course, is not the the trees This, of course, is not the case. The leaf-falt only becomes possible after a long preparation on the part of the tree, which forms a peculiar
layer of cells in each leaf stem called layer of cell. in gach leaf stem called the cleavage plate.
This cleavage plate, or separation the er, consists of a section of loosely at rand of stomater woudy with a fen anong then; son, in the early antuma, anong then; mong the teaves appear as firmly at thehed a evor hofore, they are reall amly hid on the tree by these fell …ajestrands and the outer brittle skin or epideranis of the stem. Now only a subtht sheck or wad illury is sufficient to break the fragile support and bring the leaves in shoners to the ground Wie may see the woody strandis broken through in the leaf scar of the horse chestuut, where they appear as littic rounded projections on the broken sur face and are often spoken of from their fancied resembino to the nails of a horse-shoe. The hickory and ash among other trees have simular marks on their leafscar and fora the same calse. On the rout of the wild sarsap arilla which projects just above the ground a like seties of little projections will be seen bipoll the ring like sear which surrounds the bud where the leafstalk has just separated.
Often the leaves eparate and fall even on the quictest days, for their own weight is sulicient to break the frail support. These hushed and supremely sopport. These hushed and sippremely tranquil days we all remember, when
our October walk are accompanied by our October waks are accompanied by
the soff, sall sounds of faliing leaves, by the rastlings and dry whi perings of meir showering multitudes.
The manner in which the leaffall proceeds in different trees is also note northy. The ends of the branches lose their leaves first in the ash, beech num horabeam, when th body of the ire is still clothed with bright foliage. The poplars and willoss have an exactl contrary habit, for when the trunk i tripped of foliage, the branch ends are till decorated with a few lone leaves which wave like ragged banners beheath the November sky. It is remark able how tenaciously these last leaves cling to the tossing boughs At last they also come hurtliug the frum ground and the bare trees of the forest five forth once more, under the strong wand's urging, that stern, sonorous music which will last throughout the win-ter.-St. Nicholas.
Wages in Maine have increased 80 per cent, in five years, and the manuacturing output shows a gain of 75 per ront. Maino is the only State in the mion that has more savings bank de. positors than voters, with $\$ 22,000,000$ fore laid away in savings than Ohio with six times as many people. With out 3 siogle dollar of revenue from the saloon lmasiness, Maine is prosperous and the women and children are not forced into the factory either. Prohibiforced into the factory either. Prohibi-
tion seems to work all right in Maine.

CARE OF THE BABY.
A mother's work and worry in car. ing for her little ones is greatly lightened if she has on hand a safe remedy for the cure of Indigestion, colic, sour stomach, constipation, diarrhoea, simple fevers and the other little ailments that are apt to come to children suddenty. For these troubles Baby's Own 'rablets are bet. ter than any other medicine, They tire mildly laxative, prompt in their action, and a few doses usuaily I aves the child in perfect healtr. They do nat contain an atom of opt. ate or prisonous soothing stoff. They always do good-they cannot possl. bly do harm, and may be given with equal safety to the new born infant or well grown chlld. Mrs, Reginalt James, Fenaghvale, Ont., says: "1 have used Baby's Own Tablets and find them unexcelled as a medicine for children. They promote sleep and general good health." You can get the Tablets from your druggist or by mall at 25 cents a box by writing The Dr, Willams Medicine Co.. Brockville, Ont.

## OUT OF THE WAY NOTES.

london is singularly poor in the tatues of literary men.
Of sheep's wool one pound is sufficient to produce a yard of excellent cloth.

The title "admiral" is derived from (1) Arabic phrase meaning "ruler of the sea."

January is the windiest month in the var, there being on an average five heavy gales in It.
The river Dee in Scotland has been the subject of more poems than any other stream in the British Isles.
Sea anemones are able to exlst for three or four years without nourishment beyond that which they extract fowin the water.
The willow is one of the most adaptable plants. A willow switch merely stuck in wet sultable ground is almost certain to take root.
Often on the green leaves of trees th. re are little black spots which do not seem to arise from any disease, as the plant looks otherwise healthy whugh. As a matter of fact, these are caused by burning, through the rays of the sun getting focussed by the drops of morning dew.
All the efforts made by a Liverpool firm to promote the cultivation of cot-

Palestine have been fruitless, even though labor costs only 25 cents a day and land is onetenth the price of Egyptian land. The chief cause of the failure is said to be the incapacity and laziness of the natives.

## THE DRINK QUESTION.

In the psychology section, Dr. Crothers Hartford dealt in a paper with the "Insanity of Inebriety," which he submitted was a more accurate term than alcoholism. Insane inebriates were periodie drinkers, whose excesses re sultd in mania epilpsis, and in the late stages these symptoms became merged in pronounced forms of insanity. Socalled moderate and steady drinkers were the most devitalised and degener ate of all users of alcohol, and a very large proportion of the diseases of mod ern civilization was directly or indirect ly due to the action of alcohol on the cells and nerves. Experience showed that these were curable to a far greater degree than was generally realized. At present the whole subject must be studied medically before real progress could be made. Present efforts by laws and by moral measures were at tended by great blunders, and actually tended to increase the disease they were designed to prevent.-Selected.

## OTTAWA.

In the Gilebe church, last Sunday evening, Rev. Mr. Milne referred to the large number of licensed saloons in certain districts of Ottawa, and called upon his hearers to take part in the work of having the number reduced. One way to do so was to persist in the fight for a new ward for the Glebe so that they could return men to the city conncil who would be pledged to do ther far in having the licenses reduced.
Ottawa ministers are earnestly directing attention to the wide spread dishonesty revealed in recent investigations into business, and political methods. Rev. Mr. Turnbull, of Bank street church said in a recent sermon: "Our faith has been greatly shaken in many institutions once regarded as reliable, and we have an uneasy suspicion that the worst has not yet been brought to the worst has not yet eeen in election matters what light. Then in election matters what
diabolical shrewdness we sometimes diabolical shrewdness we sometimes
see. The iunocent public is regularly victimized and even the honorable candidate finds himself often in the hands of a clique he cannot control. Perhaps we err in describing many of the things that have come to light as shrewd, rath'r we should say thes are brazen in their effrontery and wickedness. And what lies behind all this? In fact it is the failure to give faithfulness its fitting place. Such things are not the outcropping of a wide-spread and deepseated public infidelity. What we want is no glossing or palliation of the wrongs, but a stern and just investigation which shall punish not merely the paltry agents of crime but the real culprits." And Rev. A. E. Mitchell, if correctly reported, has been equally vigorons, if not quite as impartial, in his denunciation of political corruption.
Last Sunday the Stewarton congregation celebrated its 17 th anniversary. when Rev. C. B. Winchester, of Knox Church, Toronto, preached impressive and appropriate sermons morning and evening. In the morning he spoke from the words: "Behold 1 have set before thee an open door." These words, he said, were never more applicable than at the present moment. Before Christ's coming the Scriptures pointed forward to the cross until the Revelation the pointed back to it, now they point forward to His coming, The past has been dropped: ye live only for Jesus Christ. If it means much to bring a soul to Christ, what must it be to have that redemption. Immediately one enters upon a larger life: but this glorious state is but the vestibule of God's temple. The congregation of Stewarton Presbyterian was entering through their open door. Their mis. sion, their opportunities were scarcely yet realized, but God would direct their efforts in a larger field. At the Sun. day school anniversary in the afternoon, Mr. Wood, a former superintendent, traced the history of the school from its meeting in a room, with a inembership of 17, up to its present thriving state. Greetings from Mcreod street Methodist Church were conveyed by Rev. P. L. Richardson and from Zion Congregational Church by Rev. H. I. Horsey. Mr. W. H. Fitz. simmons, superintendent, and Mr. J. G. Pelton, asslstant superintendent, con. ducted the responsive and choral service. Rev. Mr. Winchester, who spent several years as a misstonary in China, addressed the Chinese class of Stewarton church on Monday morning. speaking to the ChInese in their own
language, which he speaks fluently. He also addressed the Brotherhood of

## St. Andrew and Phillip

Last evening Rev. Mr. Winchester also addressed a gathering of the Chinese of the city in Bank street Sunday school hall.

## OTTAWA PRESBYTER!AL W.F.M.S.

The 20th annual meeting of this prosperous and highly useful soclety was held last week in Erskine church, and was largely attended. Mrs. Alex. ander, president, occupied the chair. Mrs. George Hay, the secretary, submitted a report of unusual interest. from which we glean the following items:
"Our president, Mrs, Alexander, has addressed several of the city auxiliaries during the year, her other duties not permitting her to visit many of the country branches. However, in this department she has "been cordlally and efficiently aided by our vice-presidents, Mrs, Gardiner, Mrs. J. R. Hill and Miss McLean, of Aylmer, whose help has been much appreciated

Instead of the usual contribution of clothing to the Northwest schools and the Indians, the presbyterial this year. at request of the board, provided sup. plies for the schools and hospitals of Centre India. Into this part of the work, so ably, diligently and enthus. lastically superintended by Miss Mason. our secretary of supplies, young and old have entered most heartily. It is. we believe, a real,labor of loye to many drawing forth sympathy and interest where other means often fail, and forging a tangible link between the members and the foreign field

Value of the bales, $\$ 502$; money donated for freight $\$ 32.70$.
"Two members of the society, Mrs J. H. Dewar, Ottawa, and Miss Turnbull. Russell, attended the annual gen. eral meeting in Winnipeg along with our presbyterial delegate. Mrs. Gard. ner. Mrs, Gardner gave the proceed. ings of the breezy western gathering In a delightful report to the city union in June, and Miss Turnbull's account to her own auxiliary, in July, was much enfoyed and apprectated.
"We have pleasure in adding to our life membership list this year the names of: Miss Isabella Stewart, Stewarton church; Miss Jessie Masmn, Bank street; and Mrs, George Bryson, of Fort Coulonge, also in announcing an increase of 40 scattered helpers, making a total of 160 , whose contributions amount to $\$ 94.96$.

The total showing for auxiliaries for 190s, is 487 members of auxiliaries. 134 general society members. Total membership of auxiliaries, 621, average attendance 284, total for auxiliaries and bands--membership 1.124, average attendance 546. Total contributions from all sources, $\$ 2,056.35, \$ 298.01$ being from Mission bands.
The officers of the Presbyterial, who have proved moxt efficient in their respective offices and all of whom were moet popular with the auxiliaries were re-elected unanimously. They are: President, Mrs. H. Alexander: vice-presidents, Mesdames Gardner, J. R. Hill, G. B. Burns, and presidents of auxiliaries; treasurer, Mise E. H. Gibson; secretary of Mission kands, Miss A. H. Geggie; recording secretary. Mrs. George Hay; secretary of supplies, Miss Mary Masson; literature secretary, Miss Evans; Tidings secretary, Miss C. MeNichol.

Afterthe adoption of the secretary's report, the treasurer, Miss Gibson, presentod a clear and comprehensive statement of the finances of the Presbyterial as fol-

Auxiliaries-Aymer, \$24.50; Bristol, 8123; Carp, 84.04; Chelsea, 84; Cumberland. 815.57 ; Fallowfield, $\$ 16.17$; HawKesibury, \$56.16; Genmore, \$29; Kinburn, \$22: Manotick, $\$ 65.50$; Masham, $\$ 33$; Merivale, $\$ 43.70$; Metcalfe, $\$ 70.70$; OttawaBank street, \$40.90; Bethany, \$43.32; Erskine, 8122.97 ; Glebe, $\$ 82.26$; Knox, $\$ 144$; Mackey, 871.75; St. Andrews, 8165.15 ; St. Paul's, \$161.67; Suwarton, \$85.45; Rusell, 847.60; South Gloncester, $\$ 37.75$; Wakefield, $\$ 30$; Vernon, $\$ 88$; life members' fees, \$25; collection at annual meeting, \$19.18.
Mission band- Dy'mer. \$20; Billings' Bridge, \$19.03; Bristol, 84; Buckingham, \$13.71; Kenmoro \$0.31; Marvelville, \$20.63; Metcalfe, \$4.ay: Otawa-Bank wtreet \$19.25; Golden Links, \$20; Bethany, \$13; Erskine, $\$ 61.10$; Glebe, $\$ 10.41$; Knox, $\$ 5.50$; Orphan's home, $\$ 0.21$; McKay, $\$ 46.90$; St. Paul's, \$20.66; South Gloucester, \$6, The total from auxiliaries was \$1,793. Total from mission bands, \$303.01, making a grand total of $\$ 2.115 .35$, all of which was forwarded to the general society in Toronto. This is an increase over any movious year. Great satisfaction was expressed by the delegates at the excellent condition of the finances, and the treasurer. who had passed through a severe illness since the last meeting, was heartily congratulated upon her report.
The public mi :onvry meeting held in the evening was well attended, the church loeing curowded by those anxiuos to hear the address given by Rev. Dr. Johnson of Montreal, who is the representative of the American church in that city. Rev. A. E. Nitchell introluced the popular veaker, who at once won the hearts and sympathy of all present as, with a clear, anorons voice he expresed the pleasure t gave him to address the members of the prestyterial. He referred briefly and eloquently to the position of the Presby terian church in Canada, where, he stated, it stands well to the front, is foremoet in the miswionary spirit, liberality and knowlelge. It takes first flace in home missions, which is greatly due to the splendid organization and arrangement of the Women's Foreign Missionary societs, Women's Foreign Mossionary socitr a few years! Some time ago leaders in women's work would have been looked at askance; now they are the spirit of every thing progressive of time and history. The address was much enjoyed by the audience.
Rex. Mr. Prettie of Vernon was the dexirer of the greetings from the preskytery to the presbyterial now in mession. The choir of the churel furnished the musie during the evening contributing a magnificent anthem while the collection was bein taken up.

## OTTAWA PRESBYTERY.

Rev. A. E. Mitchell, moderator, presided at meeting of Presbytery last week.

At the Presbytery meeting Rev. Dr. Armstrong gave a very encouraging report on the home misslons, Rev, Dr Ramsay reported from the augmenta. tion fund committee, and Rev. M. H. Scott told of great progress in French evangellzation.
Rev. J. W. H. Milne presented the repurt of the committee on the Pres. bytery visitation. It has been arranged that there be visitation of each of the conglegations throughout the presby. tery, and a general exchange of pul. pits during the month of November with the e ject of Increasing the contributions to the schemes of the church through a more systematic collection.

The presbytery recelved the call from Merivale and Westboro engregations in favor of Rev. A. G. Cameron, of Applehill, presbytery of Glengarry. The call was sustained and will be forwarded to the Presbytery of Calgarry, asking for Mr. Cameron's decision; and if he accept the call for his transfer to the Ottawa presbytery, it will be two weeks before these negotiations can be completed. Provisional arrangements were made for Mr. Cameron's Induction should he accept the call.

## TORONTO.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Toronto Presbytery, held in Knox churl yesterday, the call to the Rev. R. W. Cooper Mercer to West King street chureh, Iaskay, was sustained and the induction will take thace on Nov. 20. The moderator, Rev. J. C. T3b, will pervide. The sermon will be preached by Rev. J. M. Whitelaw, the order to the minister will be given by the Rev. W. Amos, and to the people by Rev. W. T. Rack. Reidarenue church will be opened on Xov. 25. In the morning Rev. W. G. Wallace, will preach in the afternoon R. Gourlav, and in the evening Rev. Dr. Pidgeon. I mission will be onened at the corner of Pate avenue and Harcourt street, under the oversight of Rev. Mr. Murray. and four other members of the congreation. 1 mission will be onened in Lambton Mills at the corner of Tambton and Murny streets, and will be in charge of the young men of St. James' Square church. At the next meet'ing of the Proshatory the report of a new congregation in Rowedale will be submitted. Resolutions of congratulation to Rev. Dr. Milligan on the completion of his 30 vears' pastorate in Old St. Androws and to Rev. Mr. Frizreil on his commarative restoration to health, and of emdolence with the family of Rev. James M.Chill were adonted. The resignation of Rev. Dr. T.R. Robin from the pastorate of St. Mark's church was formally accepted. The presbytery exnrpesed its satiofaction at the fact that the status of Cowan avenue was acknowlecleed as a dulv aceredited Presbyterian Church. Ever since the formation of the church, some 11 years ago, efforts have been made to secure this recognition. Init uncuccessfuly. owing to the fact that the church was established primarily by mem. bers from other Preshotervian churches in the neighborhood. Cowan avenue chureh has now a memberstrip of nearly 500 .
At the first annual meeting of the Tomonto Preshyterian society in eonnection with the W.H.M.S. 27 auxiliaries reported. with receints of s938 with a ountity of aupplies and aid furninhed to hospitals and misesions at varicus points in the west. Mrs. J. D. Walker wne elected President, and Mrs. Frizzel. Mrs, T. Neil. Mrs. Tohn Gilchrist and Mre Turrie of Ertintom. Vice-Presidents: Mrs John A. Patereon Scowetary, and Mi-Jen MoMichacl Trensure". Two new officers were elented. a canrive Secretary. Mrs. T. Steele and a "Pioneer" Secretary. Miss Christie Bell Mofirnw. At the nonn hour a luncheon wns provided bo the St. Andrew's chuws reonle. at which the mas$t \rightarrow$ Pev. T. Crawford Brown. nrevided. and addresses were given by Rev. Dr. Snmerville, Convener of the Home Mission Crmmittee, and Rev. Dr. McIaren. Home Miscion Secretary. After a Rible reading Mrission Secretary. After a Bible rending
bu. Dr. Helen M Murchy and a svnorsis of the reports be Mrs. Paterson in the nfternoon, an addrees was given by Rev. D -. Nell on missienery work in the North. weat. He sroke of the hospital work esnecialls, which forms a large nart of the lon-me iswinn work. He told of the needs of the sixty or sevent. thousand Galirians and the sever, flowand Doukhorinns and also of the mentra of the voung man in the minin" districts, who without then he'n of the missiomries wouk be hilelv to drift into heathendom. and showed the bravery and the havolhip of the missionaries by several aneodotes.

Rev. Mr. Gregg, of Bathurst, occupied the pulpit in St. Paul Church, Kemptville, on a recent 'Sunday and preached two very earnest sermons.
Mr. W. M. Tait, son of Mr, and Mrs. Peter Tait, of Arnprior, is home from the west upon a furlough. For some tlme he has been engaged as a student missionary in one of the new provinces.
The Rev. D. Gordon, father of the Rev. C. W, Gordon (Ralph Connor), of Winnipeg, spent last week in Cornwall. the guest of Mr. James Dingwall. He has just returned from a visit to Scotland and was on hls way to Hamilton, where he resides.
The new church of Chalk River (Rev, George D. Camplell, B. A., pas. tor), was opened for divine wogship last Sunday, Rev. Dr. Campiselt, of Perth, preaching in the morning, and Rev. Dr. Bayne, of Pembroke, in the evening. The soctal in Monday was welf attended, and there were good ad. dresses from a number of ministers and others.
The Ladies' Aid of Mill Street Church, Port Hope, report a good year's work. The sum of $\$ 700.00$ was ratsed. The furnishing of the new church will be undertaken by the members. The officers elected are: Hon. Pres., Mrs, Nelles; President, Mrs. John Elliott: Vice-presidents, Mrs. Fred Thomas: Mrs. John Wells; Secretary Mrs. Arthur Marvin: Treasurer, Miss Babel Little.
The Thankoffering at the Anniversary erviee of St. Peter's chureh, Madoc, (Rev E. W. Mackay, pastor) at which the preacher was Rev. W. Beattie, of Cobourg, was a surporising success. As extensive remairs had been made on the churct carlier in the year for which nearly $\$ 200$ was suhscribed, it was feared this would interfere uith the Anniversary offering interfere ulth the Anmivermary of the to wipe out all debt. One member of the if $\$ 100$ were collected. The Thankoffering now amounts to considerably over \&400, so that the congremation now rejoce in the possession of their exceptionally valuable thard $\boldsymbol{s}_{1}$ тroperty, entirely free fram delit. An encouraging feature of the year's work throughout has been that the ordinary collections were larger than usual.
"A meeting of Kingston Preshwerv, was held in Zion Chursh on Tuesdive to monsider the resignation of Rev. J. D. Boyd, minister of that church. The Boyd, minister of that churoh. matter of chief moment was commission ers from the session. board of managers ers from the session. board of managers, and congregation all spoke in warmesh terms of their attachments to Mr. Boyd, and of their high appre iation of the solendid services rendered by him ror the past fifteen years, to the congreg. tion, and that section of the city, con veyed their profound sympathy with heir pastor in his uncertedn state of health and urged the presbytery to take such steps, if at all possible, as would retain Mr. Boyd in the pastorate of the congregation. Rest and lightening of his labors they knew were imperative and they would do their utmost them selves to enable their pastor to take some respite for a year, that he might regain his usual health. They knew how he had labored for their sake, and were apprehensive of the future if they lost him. The Presbytery cordially lost him. The Presbytery with the people in the estimate agreed with the people in the estimate
put upon Mr . Boyd's work, and as to put upon Mr. Boyd's work, and as to
the desirability of his remaining with the desirability of his remaining with
them, and expressed their willingness o share with them the responsibility of making arrangements by which Mr Boyd would have a substantial holiday and relief from pant of his work for some time. After reviewing the situation and iving due weight to the urgent pressure biving the Presbytery and the congregation, by the Presbytery and the congregation,
Mr. Boyd, to the great delight and reMr. Boyd, to the great delight and re-
lief of all, consented to withdraw his relief of all, consented to withdraw
signation and remain with Zion.

## WESTERN ONTARIO.

Much regret is expressed at the re ported serious illness of Rev. J. M Ault, of Palmerston.
At the recent communion service in the Allandale church, nine new mem bers were added to the roll.
On a recent Sunday, Rev. John Mc Innis, of Thamesville, exchanged with Rev. James Malcolm, of Dutton.
Rev. George Gilmore, of Blenheim. is holidaying in the Kawaitha lakes ro gion, where there is an abundance of game.
The Rev. D. Perrie, of Wingham, and the Rev. R. G. MacBeth, of Paris, ex the Rev. R. G. MacBeth, of Paris, ex
changed pulpits on Nov, 4th, the ocea changed pulpits on Nov, 4th, the ocea-
sion being the anniversary services at sion being
Wingham.
Despite the unfavorable weather the concert held under the auspices of the Dufferin chureh, Hagersville, was a grand success. The proceeds amounted to over \$85.
Rev. D. T. McClintoch, of Grand Valley, and Rev. Dr. Dickson, of Central Church, Galt, exchanged pul pits on a recent Sunday. Rev. Mr. Mc Clintoch preached two admirable ser mens in the Central church, which were heard with a great deal of interest and pleasure by two large congregations.
There are five vacancies in the Presbytery of Paris. They are as follows, with the interim moderators in each case: Ingersoll, Rev. Henry Dickie: Ayr, Rev. R. G. MacBeth; Embro, Rev. . K. Shearer; Verschoyle, Rev. A. Brown; Delhi, Rev, A. Brown. The need for men se ms about as pressing here as in the West.
In the absence of Rev. Mr. Wilson, who was preaching anniversary ser mons at Cheltenham, Mr. Finilay, of Knox College, occupied the pulpit of Knox chureh, Acton, last Sunday and spoke very interestingly of the home nissions of the church. Mr. Finlay was in the Northwest in mission work tor several years and is well qualified to speak on this important subject.
At a recent mesting of the Galt Ministerial Association, Rev. J. B. Mullen, of Fergus, being present, was cordially nvited to a seat as a corresponding nember and added greatly to the inter est of the meefing by his pleasant, witty and pertinent remarks. While Mr. Mullen shows the physical marks if cears, yet his intellect is bright, keen and incisive and his great loving sym pathetic hand is as fresh and warm as a the palmy days of his youth. A pa a the palmy days of his youth. A pa per which showed much research and
careful preparation was read by Rev. careful preparation was read by Rev.
J. D. Morrow, B.A., of Hespeler, on J. D. Morrow, B.A., of Hespeler, on "Jeremiah, the Man and his Message," which was much enjoyed. The sub lect was then quite exhaustively dis cussed by the members. The meeting was a good and inspiring one.
The Presbytery of Paris met on November 6th in Knox church, Wood stock. One of the main features of the meeting was the celebration of Dr. Mc Mullen's jubilee in the ministry. For the full fifty years the Doctor has serv ed as an ordained minister, and for the last forty-seven years he has been in one cougregation, he has passed the three score years and ten by five, yet his eye is not dim nor is his mental or physical vigor in any appreciable de gree diminished. His spiritual fervor has grown with the years. But he seems to have preferred to retire when thus in the full enjoyment of his powers. in the full enjoyment of his powers.
The scenes in Presbytery were affect. The scenes in Presbytery were affect-
ing as men who had been baptized by ing as men who had been baptized by
the Doctor appeared as delegates from the Doctor appeared as delegates from
his congregation. At the evening meet ing everything was at high tide. Ad dresses were presented by the Presby tery, congregation, the city of Wood stock, the ministers of the city,etc. Dr. McMullen's reply was impressive and touching. $\mathrm{He}_{\mathrm{e}}$ will continue to reside in the manse and has a good retiring allowance. It is expected that $\mathbf{M r}$. R. allowance. It is expected that Mr. R.
B. Cochrane, his successor, will be for mally inducted in January next.

## PRINCE RUPERT'S SPLENDID

 HARBOR.
## Victoria Colonist, 6th Oct., 1906.

P. M. Bredt, of Regina, Dominion government inspector of agencies and foreign colonies, accompanied by Mrs, Bredt, arrived in Vietoria yesterday af ter attending the New Westminster fair.
In the fall of last year Mr. Bredt visited the coast for the benefit of his health. impaired by too close applica tion to the ardnons duties of his office and made his headquarters in Victoria. The balme ellmats of this Island had it. customary effect and in a few weeks Mr. Bredt was sufficiently recovnred to make many excursions about the Island taking $n$ otes of its conditions and advantages; and among other functions, ho attended the Cowichan Agritions, ho attended the Cowichan Agri-
cultural exhibition at Duncan's, where culturn exhinition at Duncand, where wards taking a sen trip up the west enast as far as Port Simpson.
"My opinion of Victoria and its surrmudings," said Mr. Bredt, "is sufficiently expressed by the fact that I have taken the earliest opportunity of coming back again to spend my summer holidav with you and that I have brought Mrs. Bredt this time to share my enjoyment. Ir have this year repeated my west const trip, the time ex tending it as far as Skagway. It is cer tainly the most picturesque country one nould imagine. We were delighted and surpriced at iths prandeur, it is like several Xorways in one wonderful pano rama. Among many other changes for the better that I noti-c was that of
the improved conditions of travel. The the improved conditions of travel. The hoat in which we made the trip was commodious and comfortable, luxurionsly fitted with the latest improve ments with the additional recommendatinn of good elisine and attendance, a good seaboat, a genial commander and pleasant and capable officers. We enjoyed the trip immensely and were fortrinate enough to have ns fellow pas. sengers. President Hayes of the Grand Trunk Pacific railroad. We had thus thank chance to visit Prince Rupert. In the chance to visit Prince Rupert. In
mv opinion it is an ideal location for $m \mathrm{opinion}$ it is an ideal location for
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nassed on the coast. At present the nassed on the cosst. At present the
hydrographic surver is still incomplete and mariners enter for the first time with natural cantion. but once having made the entrance thev say that they would have $n$ o fear about entering at anv time. While we were there the weather was very storme with a nasty wea running outside. Inside however sea running ontside. Inside. however, ing well protected from the prevailing winds.
"Certainly," continued Mr. Bredt, "there iq room there for a great citv and Digly island would make an ideal suburb or summer resort. Communication would have to be by ferry, I think, though the dividing passage is narrow and the distance short: not greater than between North Vancouver and Vancouver city, if as far: it would be practically a part of the city.
"There is plenty of activity in evjdence at Prince Rupert; houses for the engineers are being rapidly constructed and gangs of men are busy clearing land for the town hin. Already there is land for the towl. wher which they in tend to extend immediately and everv. thing seems to point to quick developthing ment."

A spectes of frog found in Borneo has very long toes, webbed to the tip. Thls creature can leap from a high tree, and, by spreading its toes, be supplled with four little parachutes, which enable it to easily descend Hence it is called "the flying frog."

Pity the end of that man who by one fatal deed at last destroys all the good of a long life.

## SPARKLES.

A tourist who put up recently at one of the best hotels of The Hague found this English notice in his bedroom: "The electric light dares not be touched."

Magistrate: "You mean an alibip" Prisoner: "Well, call it what you like, but my wife will swear that I was walkinz the floor uif's the baby at the hour meationed in the charge."

Anary Milk dealer: "I understand, sir, A: von have thea saying that I put wator in my milk
Citsomer: "I said nothing of the wort. I simply weationed that I saw dressed in watered silk."

A man aceompanied by his wife vivited a merchant tailor to order a suit of dothos. The comple differed as to the material and ent of the suit, and the wife lost her temper. "Oh, well," she wife lost her temper. "Oh, well, she
satd, turning awav, "please yourself. I sadd, turning awav, "please yourself. I
suppose you are the oae who will we:r suppose you are the one who will wear
the clothes," "Wcll," ob-erved the husband meekly, 'I dida't suppose you'd want to wear tha coat and the wais: ecat.'

The Bible says tint no man ean serve two masters; the troublsis movt of the n will not serve one hen his back is turned.
"All these stories the papers are printing about you are lies," said tha politician's friend. "Why don't you polician's friend. "Why don't you pliel the politician; but I'm afraid they would begin printing the trath thea."

Hostess-You appear to be in deep thought, Willie. WWie-Yes'm. M'ther told me if you asked me to have ame cake I was to say something, and I've been here so long now I forget what it was!
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