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The best mutton is of fine grain, a bright color, the fat firm and white. It is better for being full-grows. The meat of the ewe is not so bright, while the grain is closer. The ram mutton may be known by the redness of the flesh and the sponginess of the fat.

Most calkes need a moderately hot and some even a conl oven. A good old test is to put a piece of thick paper into the oven, to shut the doar and open it again after five minutes. If the paper is of a light brown color the oven is moderately hot, and if yellow
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Orange Biscuits.-Boil large Valeñia oranges, changing the water twice, until they the peel. Let it become a litle dry. Pound it to a fine powder in a mortar and mix it with an equal weight oi sugar. Spread it out on china dishes in a thin layer, and let it dry thoroughly before a fire or in the sun. Do not attempt to make this preserve with Florida oranges, for though the pulp of the Florida oranges is far superior to any other as fruit, vet the skin to be used for confectionery is far inferior to the cheap Mediterranean oranges.
" Cook your water as you do your food," is the advice of a well-known physician in the New York Tribunc. This is really not dif. ficult to manage if the affair is systemaized, and when properly filtered and werated boiled water is as bright, sparkling and agreeable to the taste as any other. There are fillers that come especially for æratıng water as well as fill the it, and if servants are accrstomed to fill the filter regularly the daily provision of the housetold may becomes as much a part of the household machinery as the cooking, and one has always the satisfaction of knowing that water prepared in this way is perfectly saice. the must te borne in mind, bowever,
that temperature of water just brought to a boil is not sufficient to destroy bacteria ; 30 minutes steady boiling is the rule.
Pineapple Desserts. - The strawberry pineapple, in spite of its acid, makes a very good compote, and is nice for desserts. For a compote, peel.the ploe-apple and cut it in slices
about a quarter of an inch thick. Remove the core. Make a cyrup of a cup of sugar and a cup of water. Let it boil for about five minutes. Pour it hot over the sliced pineapple and let the fruit steep in this syrup well covered for 24 bours. Then drain, the pineapple and boil down the syrup for ten minutes more until it begins to thicken. Pour it hot over the pineapple again, and when the disb is cold serve it. A great many desserts may be made from the strawberry pineapple, and it is aften constdered better for this purpose than the sweeter sugar-loai pine, while it possesses the advantage of being much cheaper. For a pineapple pie, prepare the pineapple, chop
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The death of Dr. Nevius, of the American Presbyterian Mission, is a great loss both to that Mission and to China generally. To quote At Home and Abroad, "he was a prince among men," and since 1853, when he first went to China, has given ungrudgingly of his very best-physically, socially, intellectually, and spiritually-for the uplifting and enlightenment of that vast empire. He will be sadly missed.

The Chronicle, the organ of the Lundon Missionary Society, says :-"The speech which Mrs. Isabella Bishop, F.R.G.S., delivered at the Gleaners' Union Anniversary in Exeter Hall, not only produced an indelible impression upon all privileged to hear it, but is reaching a vastly wider circle through the Press. The C.M.S. has published it as an 8 pp. leaflet, with the title, 'Heathen Claims and Christian Duty,' upwards of a hundred thousand copies of which have been issued in response to definite orders. Other societies also, both here and across the Atlantic, are reproducing the speech. A more forcible description of modern heathenism as it is one. could not have."

Some information has at last reached this counry with regard to the burning of the Great Mosque in Damascus. The catastrophe took place so long ago as October 14th last, but for some reason or another the Turkish authorities have stood in the way of the facts becoming known. The Mosque was the ancient cathedral of St. John the Baptist, and it contained one of the four copies of the Koran deposited by the Calinh Othman in the four chief Moslem cities. The Koran has been destroyed, but the library otherwise is intact. It is said that the "rebuilding of the Mosque is now being carried out in a way which recalls the work on the great cathedrals of the middle ages." Even ladies of position are insisting on sharing in the manual labour.

Bishop Hirth of the Koman Catholic Mission in Uganda is finding it desirable to circulate the Scriptures. He writes. - "After much hesitation, I have concluded that it is necessary for us to print the New Testament, which the Protestants are spreading cverywhere. The chief reason is that we cannor prevent our people from reading it-everbody wishes to know how to read for baptism-except women and old men. We are therefore preparing an edition with Notes from the Holy Fathers." One can appreciate the bishop's trouble when one hears that in June last eighty-riine boxes were despatched from London containing 1.511 complete copies of the New Testament, 5,170 volumes containing the four Gospels and the Acts, 406 books containing St . naul's Epistles, and 25,880 separate copies of the Gospels and Acts.

The Free Church of Scotland Monthiy says of the Cunningham Lectures which Dr. Hugh Macmillan has just been giving: "Dr. Hugh Macmillan ought to have felt gratified by seeing, day by day, such large audiences gathering into the Assembly Hall to hear his lectures. The weather was almost dalways exceedingly unfavourable, storms of wind and rain making it difficult to walk through the streets. But, notwithstanding, numbers came inirariably, and the need for resorting to the Moncreiff Hall never arose. His subject was an interesting hie-Biblical Archæology-and his treatment of it (as might have been expected from such an accom-
plished'man of letters) was highly attractive. The book, when it appears, will be read with avidity, because the lectures were so crowded with facts that timas difficult to follow them; and, we may add, ft will be:greatly valued, inasmuch as all that was said was confirmatory of the Bible records. In this last characteristic, Dr Macmillan's lectures were in striking contrast to those of Professor Pfeiderer,

Lord Rosebcry, Gladstone's successor in the Premiership, is a comparatively voung man, being only forty-seven years of age. He is of an ancient Scottish house which takes its name from the estate of Primrose. in Fifeshire. He was educated at Eton and at Christ's Church, Oxford, at both of which institutions he ranked high. It is said that both Disraeli and Mr. Gladstone regarded him even in youth as one of the brightest and most promising voung men in Oxford. His father never became Earl, but died in 185 I . The present Lord Rosebery had only attained his majority in 1868 and was about to seek a seat in the House of Commons when his grandfather died and he became a member of the Houre of Lords. He at once identified him self with the Liberal party: An aristocrat by birth, he is a democrat in principle, and the general opinion seems to be that he will make a very suitable successor for the great Mr. Gladstone.

One of the guarantees of continued peace in Europe is said to be the aversion of the present Czar of Ruscia to war. We are told that during the Russo-Turkish campaign, when he witnessed the unutterable suffering of the wounded and dying on the battlefield he solemnly resolved that during his reign there should be no war if he could prevent it. The recent commercial treaty ratified between Germany and Russia seems to be a sort of pledge of peace between these two of the chief combatants in any probable European conflict. In these latter days when the engines of death are so nearly perfect in their destructiveness, and when the nations of Christcndom are united by such far-1eaching and vital commercial relations, war is not a thing to be lightly undertaken. The great nations with their great armics shrink from such a cata'+rophe. May it not be that we are appraaching the time when, on account of the very perfection of the military art, wars shall be made cease unto the end of the earth?

The great lottery which for so many years had its headquarters in New Orleans was a fruitful source of demoralization to the whole of the United States and far beyond. Since it has been declared illegal it has been trying every possible means to evade the law and prolong its baneful work. It sought to establish itself in Florida, at Port Tampa, but it does not seem likely to succeed in its new home. The postmasters at all the principal American cities along the Canada border were last month forbidden by Postmaster-General Bissell to certify money orders payable to anyone connected with the lottery company and directing that all registered letters addressed to the company should be returned to senders stamped as frauduient. The Pustmaster-General has also issued an order directing that no mail for Honduras shall be sent to Tampa, even if specially addressed via Tampa. All such mail must be sent directly to New Orleans and thence to Honduras. This will upset the plans by which the lottery company has been evading the law.

The British consul at Jerusalem has sent home a report on the Jaffa Railway. It is about fifty miles in length; it passes some twenty towns and villages with a combined popularion of 100,000 ; and its construction cost only $£ 0,800$ per mile. If the new railway projected between Beyrout or Damascus and Suez is carried out, Palestine will be placed in contact with all the world. Tine railway will run along the coast, and have branch lines at various points into the interior. One clings to the hope that sooner or later the Jews will be gathered again into their own land. But in the meantime it is natural to ask what may be the nearer result of the opening up of the country, and it is worth while to recall the fact that laurence Oliphant speaks strongly of the capabilities of the regions beyond the Jordan, and urges their colonization. For one thing, the says, "there can be litile doubt that the Dead Sea is a mine of unexplored wealth, which only needs the application of capital and enterprise to make it most

For some time past the World's Womin's Christian Temperance Union has been preparing for presentation to the different governments a monster petition against the liquor and opium traffic: and against legalized vicc. It has grown until it bears now over two million individual signatures, and with the attestation of certain societies, not less than three million. In order to present this an around the-world-demonstration is to be orkanized, a first-class steamer to be chartered, and a party of one hundred persons, it is said, will accompany Lady Henry Somerset and Miss Willard in the presentation. The plan is to begin with the United States Guvernment next October. They will then go to Great Britain, having a grand demonstration at Exeter Hall, London, on November rst. Italy will be the next point, where it is hoped that both the Pope and the King of Italy will receive the delegation. Greece, Jerusalem and Cairo will then be visited. It is intended to reach India in time for the National Congress, and great mass meetings will be held in all the principal cities. From Calcutta they will go to Cevilon, Australia, China, Japan, etc.

About one hundred years ago bankruptcy and the intolerable burdens of over-tavation precipitated the French revolution. The fear of bankruptcy, caused by the keeping up an army on a war footing in time of peace, necessitates in Italy taxation hardly less oppressive than that under which the French people groaned in the reign of Louis XVI. The defect in the Italian treasury for the year lately ended was $\$ 30,000,000$, and the only thing which the Chamber of Deputies or the Minister of the Treasury has been able to do toward relieving the situation has been to make some slight attempt to curtail public expenses, and to vote a new taxation by which it is hoped to meet one half of the deficit. In the meantime to maintain is standing as a member of the triple alliance the army must still be kept up, and a deficit for the new year is accumulating. The people, ground to abject poverty, show signs of resistance and even revolt. An uprising in Sicily has but recently been quelled. In Italy, as elsewhere in Europe. the most threatening danger seems to be not a conflict of nation with nation, but an uprasing of the oppressed and downtrodden classes against their rulers In Italy it seems scarcely possible for the present unnatural conditions to continue much longer without a crisis which might mean the overthrcw of the present order of things and the present form of government.

On a recent Sabbath morning, at the close of his forenoon service in the Free High Chursh, Edinjurgh, Rev. Dr. Walter C. Smith took occasion briefly to refer to his contemplated retirement from the pastorate of the congregation. The subject had long been occupying his mind. and he had been compelled to think that he was no longer fit for the work with its increasing burden. He had striven with all his heart to do as well as he was atle, and the work in consequence had suffered through his long delay. He had thought at one time that he might have been able to continue for a little while longer with a colleague-assistant, but he had been forced to the conviction that the right course was to do what he had done. He took the step in the interest of the congregation. He thought that if a man, frankly looking at himself and his position, found that he was no longer able to fill that position, he ought to put himself out of the way in order that someone who was able might occupy his place. That was what he bad been anxious to do on behalf of the congregation. He had no wish to lead an idle and easy life, and he hoped, if God spared him, to be of some service to the congregation and to the church. If they loved him, as he believed they did, let them hold fast. He would do every: thing in his power to flacintate a settlement, and they would soon get a man who would bring more strength to the work, so that they would be blessed

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A MILD SUGGESTION.

It is alleged that there is a great deal of restlessness in the Presbyterian Church of this country. People with itching ears are said to he on the increase. Solid men are dying and feather-heads are taking their places. The lovers of sermonic strong meat are passing away, or are being put on back seats, while the lovers of veal and pulpit con: fectionery are shouting in the front. There are mysterious whispers about "under-tones," and other terrible things in many congregations that present a smooth enough surface. All this, and a good deal more, has been discussed in the press during the last few months. It is useless to deny that there is some truth in it. Smoke cannot be produced without some fire. Various factors may have been at work sapping the respect that people have, or ought to have, for the church of God. Each age has its characteristics and morbid restlessness may be the characteristic of ours. There is no use in fighting a mania. A mania may be treated; it cannot be crushed. It has been already stated more than once in this corner that the restlessuess complained of may be greatly exaggerated. Restlessness is uoisy and demnostrative. One person who takes hysterics in a church during worship makes more noise than a thousand devout worshippers. One congregation with a call, or an eviction on hand, gets more dead head advertising than a dozen congregations quietly doing the Lord's work.
But supposing there is some restlessnes3 in the church what are we doing to guide it and lessen its baneful effects. There is nothing to be gained by scolding. You cannot scold restlessness out of people any more than you can scold sin out of them. The restlessness if not $\sin$ is one of the effects of $\sin$. "Men cannot be scolded out of $\sin$ or lectured into virue," said Dr. Punshon or sorne other man who knew human nature. Have we no resources on which we can draw for something to lessen restlessness. We have already given to lessen restlessness. We have already given preaching and better pastoral visitation are the only human remedies that can be relied on, but they are not the only remedies. We believe
an occastonal exchange of pulpits vould be a good thing. Here are some reasons for our belief. No man can preach all the truth and a stranger in the pulpit will very likely present some truth that may not have been presented by the pastor.
Most ministers have a habit of looking at truth from one point of view, a preacher who looks at truth from another point of view will give a pleasing variety to the congregation.
It is difficult for the most industrious minister to do his other work faithfully and prepare fresh matter for the same peop'e one hundred and fify times a year.
People who are not cursed with itching ears and who may be thoroughly loyal to their own pastor may be willing cnough to hear a neighbour occasionally. Is there anything
nrong about that? What class of people go nrong about that? What class of people go
round nore than clergymen when they get a chance.

An occasional exchange gives a minister a week and a week is a great thing for a busy man. During that week he can take a rest, read a good book or two, bring up arrears of pastoral visitation and doa good many things that he could not touch if he had two sermons to write.
Viewed from a wider standpoint an exchange may be a good thing. Theoretically we say a minister is the servant of the whole church. Practically he works for one small fraction of the church. If our theory is good for anything it surely mizht do us a little good to try and live a little up to it.
The personrel of the ministry would, we believe, be considerably improved by occasional exchanges. There is none too much sympathy among clergymen, and truth, to say, many Presbyterian ministers do litte to help one another.
Here as everywhere olse there woold be Here is every
some difficulties.

The young man who pays bimself and his congregation the compliment of thinking that the congregation would go to pieces if he left for one day, would of course not want to ex. change with anybody. It his work is so poorly put together that he bas to stand by and watch it all the time he ought to stand right there and hold 18 up. We once knew a young pastor who declared be could not bear to leave his "dear people" even for a day. The "dear people" did without him altogether not long after he thought they could not do without him for a day.
Then in most congregations there are one or two males or females who always go up to a stranger and say, "if we only had a man like you here," or something to that effect.
The most serious opposition would come from a conscientious class of ministers who might wish to avoid the suspicion of laziness. Hitherto, "exchanging" to any extent has been considered evidence of laziness or of the fact that a minister had got to .je bottom of his barrel.
Far be it from this corner to suggest anything that would encourage clerical inertia. What we mean is such occasional exchanges as would give ministers a chance to preach better sermons and give the people a pleasing variety. Why should anybody advocate even a modified itinerancy when we do not avail ourselves of the variety we have in exchanges. There is an immense variety of gifts in the Presbyterian ministry between Principal Caven and the young minister who rides a bicycle dressed in knickerbockers.

## Gor he Camada Pristrivirian. STUDENTS' CONVE.NTION AT DETRUST.

In July, 1886 , a conference of college men was held at Mount Hermon upon Mr. Moody's invitation, for the purpose of Bible study. There were 251 students present representing 87 colleges. Ten days had passed betore a word was said about missions, but a few men, especially young Wilder, were cherishing the conviction that God intended a number of these students for the foreign field. On the evening of July the 16 th a missionary meeting was held at which Dr. Pierson pressed home the Lord's call for laborers and the perishing world's need. Aoothe: meeting was held and another and another and at the close of the conference an even one huidred volunteered to become messengers for Jesus Christ amongst the heathen, if God should open up the way. That is the origin of the Students' Volunteer Movement. The fire soon spread. A deputation of students was appointed to visit the colleges, with the result that 477 instututions of learning bave been reached and over 7,000 bave voluntecred to take part in this ministry. It very soon became apparent that enthusiasm evaporates; many students who volunteered during the first three years of the movement vanished and cannot be accounted for. This unsatisfactory state of affairs made it at once apparent that careful organization was necessary in order to secure what had beed gained. Travelling secretaries were appointed to visit the colleges systematically and keep the machinery in order, with the result that after the first three years very fev who enrolled themselves retreated from their declaration, and there are at the present time on this continent 3,200 bora fide volunteers who declare it to be their purpose, if God permits, to obey the Saviour's com-mand-to carry the gospel to the regions beyond. The frst convention of this organiza. was held in Cleveland in the spring of 189 I , which was considered in every respect a successful gathering. The second convention was held in Detroit on the 28 th Feb. and the four following days. There wese present 1,187 students, representing 294 institutions of learning, 151 of these stadents being from Canada. There were 38 religious bodies represented, 50 missionary societies, 50 mission. aries who had bean in the foreign field-some of them for over 40 years. So large a representation from abroad, together with the wide-
spread intercst existing amongst the Christian spread intercst existing amongst the Christian people of Detroit, secured very large audiences
throughout the whole convention, the evening throughout the mhele convention, the evening audiences oretflowing into two of the aeigh-
bouring churches.

The object of this organization is not the sending out of missionaries. That is the work of the boards, and the students do not purpose to invade their territory. Their aim is the cultivation of a missionary pirit in the colleges and thus meet the demands of the various boards in order to evangelise the world in this generation. That will to many appear to be a hopeless undertaking-and yet is $1 t$ ? In the light of the commission "All power is given unto"-"Lo I am with you always"-"Go ye therefore." Is it too much to undertake? If it is not undertaken and overtaken in this generation, so far as this generation is concernsd, it will never be done. They will be gone into eterniny not having known Christ. Wth the promise and command of the Lord of missions, and the world's awful nerd, surely the students are right in this holy ambition, although so impossible to unbehel.
There were three mottoes displayed which answer all difficulties: "Go ye therefore and disciple all nations," etc., "Let us advance upons our knees," "The evangelization of the world in this generation." These mottoes translated into practice will remove all mountains and reach the end in view. It is not, of course, expected that all students can go abroad, but if the 250,000 students on this continent are duly impressed with the importance of the work, those who remain at home will do their part in the church, and there will be universal effort towards this the greatest and most important service ever undertaken by Spirit-inspired men. By organization, missionary meetings, literature, etc., the students of America have inaugurated this movement and are labouring to that end. Already 686 of these volunteers are known to be in the foreign field, and yet it was only in 1886 the first meeting was held. In the colleges of Great Britain there are only 700 volunteers, but 80 or 90 per cent. of all volunteers who graduated since the movemeat began found their way into the foreign field. Surely the possibilities are incalculable and should elicit the sym. pathy and co-oporation and prayer of every one who has a heart that can feel for perishing men and a conscience that urges obedience to the Lord's command. It has been said by an American scientist that if the beart-beats of one man could be brought to bear on the Bunker Hill monument, it would crumble to dust. So if the heart-beats of the church were brought to bear upon the great rock of heath. enism, which has been intermittently assailed for sixly generations, before one generation more passed the gospel would be preached to every creature. Dres not the very thought thrill us with an ambition to be partners in this glorious enterprise? The toas of the Detroit metings was pre-eminently spiritual. That was ever kept in view. Prayer was always in order, speeches were begun and ended in prayer and delivered to praying audiences. There was no strong manifestation of emotion, the addresses were not ficted to produce such results, but were rather intended to deepen a sense of responsibility as soldiers of Jesus Christ by the presentation of His claims upon us and His interest in this world for which He died. That the services were effectuve appeared in many ways, especially at the close, when 31 students stated that during these days they had resolved to consecrate their lives to Foreign Missions. When the chairman asked how many in the meetiog expected to go to the foreign field within a year 52 nes and women arose and each in a sentence or two named the field to which they expected to go and stated the motive that actuated them.
It is easy to speak of conventions as a fad and simply emotional and evanescent in their results. No doubt we have a great many of them and often they may have been disap. pointing. However, that cannot be said of the conventions held in Toronto and Fiamiltion and Brantford and London and Detroit. That they were immediatelv fruitful in many lives is quite apparent and that there will be a future harvest can be doubted only bo the uasympathetic. Yet it ought not to beforgotten that it is as needful that we should bave much prayer after as well as before. If every Christion would accept the Student Volunieer metto, "Let us advance on onr knecs," whät mignt not the harvest be ?

WHAT IS MEALT BY SUBSCRIBINU TO THE CONFESSION OF FAITH!

The question at the head of this article has special importance to day when those who appear to be openly departing from the tra ditional forms of faith are so frequently charged, not only with the holding of false views, which so-called "false" views may be honestly held and eventually found to be cor. rect, but also with violating their frateraal obligations as covenanted in their ordination vow, with beiog dishonest in retaining their position in a church with whose standards they know themselves to be at yariance. Io our present and humble contribution towards an answer to the question with which we began, we shall seek brevity and confine ourselves chicfly to facts which may bo viewed as precedents, leaving the definitiou of limits which we hold to be variable, to other bands and another time.

When the negotiations for union between the old and new schools of the Americao Presbyterian Church was nearing a critica point, the elder Dr. Hodge contributed an article to the old Princeton Review upon thi very point, and its manifest breadth did ver much, if, indeed, it was not the turning point owards completing successfully the negotia tions. We have not the article by us, and it is long since we read the same, but our line of thought we know to be but a following of Dt. Hodges' argument as to its general divisions Three views may be held as to what is meant by subscription. It is related of a cel tain Scottish professor, whose chair could onls be occupied by one who subscribed to the Confession, that being asked on his installatios -Is this the Confession of your faith? plied as he took the pen in hand, Yes, and great deal more 1 That sucti a relation to sub scription has been practically maintained by some cannot be well doubted ; as readily mar it be asserted that no church has yet ever accepted such a relation as implied in its de mand for subscription. That view, whic means anything or nothing, need not detais us.

Nor the opposite extreme, that as with contract so with subscription, every article io every part must be taken as binding. which case all subscribing would be bound o manntain the six-day theory of creation, the incestuous character of a marriage relation condoned by the entire church at least for generation, with many details of controversia doctrine in many instances utterly forgotten Certainly not one representative Presbyterizo Church has ever asked such subscription from its mi
faith.

There is a middle ground, but the limits. have never been rigidly defined, and here, it anywhere, the question presses as to how lat the Confession is to be accepted by those pho subscribe. Our American frends defne their acceptance by the term "System of Doctrine." i.e., the Calvinistic system in general as in contrast to exclusive Arminianism. Yet it definition needs defining. What is the system If the Syaod of Dort's decisions be the norim of the Calvinistic system of doctrine we mast not look to the general declarations from th pulpits of present day Presbyterianism for anj very plais manifestation thereof. Indeed th Institutes of Arminius rival those of Calvin i the accepted system of doctrine, especially this the case in respect to the extent of th atonement and the unconcitional decrees. this statement is questioned in its applicabilit to ourselves as well as to our American breth ren, let it be remembered that in the school of divinity connected with one of the bodies forming our preseat bappily united church, Wardlaw's system of theology with its gor: ernmental theory of the atonement was a tex book. This, however, may safely be ssid, api system that would displace the sovereignty of God from its ceatre, especially by substita lug therefore the will of the creature, woald not be the system of doctrine required by th church that asks geacral acceptance to the Westm:nster symbots. That "general-ac. ceptance" is all that the church means is a 0 only to be gathered from its toleranct of broader views, but also by the actions of the suprome courts. Let two examples. suffict. The premillennial theory of the second
advent of our Lord is not only not taught in the Confession, but in so far as any utterance is given, the opposite teaching is set forth; Christ's second comtng being placed contemforary with the general resurrection and the
judgment. No amount of special pleading can harmonize premillennialism with the position of the Standards. Yet one section of the present united church did appoint to its chair of Systematic Theology a minister who was known to hold those views of Eschatology which in this particular are at variance with
the teachings of the Confession, thus setting the teachings of the Confession, thus setting
its seal upon a subscription of large liberty in a matter of detail. The appointment was not made because of those views, but in spite of them, and the church's forbearance in that matter is strong'y in contrast with the propagandist spirit of many thus tolerated in the communion. Again. The Confession explicitly states that the Pope is Antichrist, which stamps as Antichristian the Papal Church and commits itself to thus explaining II Thes. ii 3.9 .
Yet Roman Catholic priests have been accorded status in the Presbyterian Church without baptism or ordination. In other Words, the baptism and ordination of Antichrist
has been officially accepted if the Confession has been officially accepted if the Confession
is to be construed literally. The church in these instances is harder than its creed, to which it has never asked a slavish adherence, while at the same time it seeks to guard as a sacred trust the faith once for all delivered to the saints.

It would appear, therefore, that charges of unfaithfulness to the terms of compact are not to be ruthlessly made, and that the church will from time to time as light and truth break forth, declare either by tolerance or by act, how far in details departure from the text of the Standards may be allowed. And the church may be depended upon in this matter, the virtual liberty given to orderly discussion, and the time necessarily spent as the case-if case there be-zoes from court to court are safeguards against precipitancy on either side. Only let individuals be trustful the one towards the other, and patient ; neither liberalism nor conservatism will have cause to fear. Only let liberty be used not as an occasion to the flesh but for the serving of each other in love, and the holding fast be by the prrving of all things, retaining that which is good.

Presbyter.

## A SYNOD MINUTE BOOK OF TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

Those who have any general knowledge of the history of the Presbyterian Church in
Ireland are aware that prior to 1840 there Ireland are aware that prior to 1840 there were two bodies in Ireland, each represented bv a Synod. The strongest and most numerous body had for its Supreme Court the Synod of Ulster, and the representatives of the movement of the Erskines had the Secession Synod. At the date mentioned the two bodies united, and from that time forward the Supreme Court has been known as the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. It was only after the present century had begun to run its course that the minutes of the Synod of Ulster were printed, those of earlier dates were until very lately hidden away in the manuscript books in which they were origi-
nally transcribed. Of course the records were jealously preserved, by leave of the Church Courts historians such as Reid and Killen and Witherow having free access to them for literary purposes. At the suggestion of the last-named it was arranged a few years ago to have them printed, but so far only one of these volumes has appeared. This volume came into the writer's hands some weeks ago, a present from an Irish friend who passed through Canada on his way from the World's Fair in August last. We propose to tell our readers some things about a volume Which is of great interest as well as valuable for historical purposes. The archaic spelling and contractions are retained, but there is no volume worth mentioning in reading the

This volume contains the minutes of the
quite thirty meetings recorded, for some two or three years during that time the Synod seems not to have come together. There are some twenty-seven meetings of which the pro ceedings are given. An attentive and observant reader will find many striking contrasts between the ways of transacting business then as well as in the mode of recording them and our ways and modes of doing things now.
To begin with the roll. Two centuries ago our ancestors contented themselves with a very bold form of making up their roll. The ministers' names were set down in one column in Presbyteries, and the elders who were in at tendance, side by side in another column, and that was all. No date of ordination, no name of congregation, no post office. If the reader of the present day wishes to ascertain such interesting items as these he will have to spend some time and have recourse to other sources to find them out. To know the name of a minister and not to know the locality where he lived and labored does not amount to much as we think of it now. The writer has taken the trouble to mark in his copy throughout the congregation opposite the minister's name, and he ventures to say that there are very few in Canada in possession of the materials for per forming that task. There is not much of a boast in saying that. Possibly there are not a great many who care whether they have the material or not. Moreover it is very puzzling occasionally to identify the old name of the congregation with the modern name of it. We have come across names here we never heard before in all our reading, but in no case have we failed to find the modern representative of the old charge. In one respect there is evidence of the former days being better than these. That is in the number of elders that attended. For every ten ministers in attendance there were as a rule eight or nine elders. The elders of rural congregations in those days were as faithful in attendance as those from towns and cities.
So far as the ministers were concerned the absentees from meetings of Synod were taken to task with a sharpness that shows the oversight to have been of a real character. We find some exercises that were made accepted and some were not. If there were vacant congregations that the Synod made arrangements for supplying, the absentees as a rule were required to do double duty as compared with those who were in attendance on Synod. That was one way of putting a penalty on the defaulters.
When vacant congregations in important counties were to be filled, the Synod exercised its episcopal authority with a high hand. The personal preferences of the brother called from a country charge to a town or city weighed very little; it was what was thought to be for the good of the church as a whole that determined the issue. There are exceptions to all rules, no matter how iron bound they are. One brother resisted the decree even at the peril of being suspended or deposed and in the end by pure persistency and passive resistance had his wav. But that is a very rare instance. If an important congregation called a licentiate, the Synod made strict inquiry as to whether the young man in their opinion was equal to the demands to be made upon him ere the Presbytery of the bounds was allowed to ordain and induct him. The supervision that was exercised at all times was by no means an easy yoke in particular instances, but the result as a whole, sofar as one may judge from reading these pro ceedings, was salutary. It is to be remembered that at that time the Presbyterian Church was under grave disabilities, and these disabilities are ever and anon manifest in the deliberations. The toleration granted to nonestablished churches was of a very limited kiad. There was naturally a good deal of restiveness under the yoke which the Anglican brethren continued to make as galling as possible.
The Parsees in Bombay, "the Jews of India," are influential, public spirited and progressive, says a writer in World Wide Mis-
sions. They number $50,000-m o r e ~ t h a n ~ h a l f ~$ the whole number of Parsees in India, and are descendants of the Persian exiles who twelve hundred years ago were allowed to settle in Gujerat on agreeing to adopt some features of the Hindu religion.

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financial operations. To-day the Company has assets of of $\$ 1,703,453.39$, and a net surplus for its policy-holders of $\$ 297,062.26$.

It used to be a jocose remark long ago that officials bound for India used to say good-bye to Sunday at the Cape of Good Hope. It would seem that many members of Evangelical Churches do something of the same kind when they become shipowners or ship captains. It is well known that steamers in the coasting trade have their times of sailing so arranged that they are at sea on Sunday, and those emploved on them are thus robbed of spiritual ministrations, if not of bodily rest. This desecration of Sunday seems to be extending. A report from Savona says"British sailors in an Italian, Spanish, Bel--in fact, under any other flap than their own-may be seen enjoying their D'ay of Rest when they happen to have a Sunday in port but under the British flag this right, this necessity is denied them. Can it be won dered at that by some we are looked upon as 'a nation of shopkeepers, whose only god is
money, and whose gains are thought of far money, and whose gains are thought of far
more importance than the souls of men? It more importance than the souls of men? It is a sore disgrace.

## WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.

At the annual meeting of this Company held last month, its forty-third report was presented. In common with all such Companies doing business, the very exceptional circumstances in a business point of view of last year were referred to. In conformity with a resolution passed a year ago the paid up capi-
tal has been increased to $\$ 1,000,000$. tal has been increased to $\$ 1,000,000$. During
the last tive years preceding 1893 it paid divi the last tive years preceding 1893 it paid divi-
dends at the rate of ten per cent., and now dends at the rate of ten per cent., and now
out of its ample reserve fund, which it has been the policy of this Company to accumulate during prosperous years, it has been abundantly able to bear the strain of the last unusual year. Large as the losses of last year have been as compared with preceding years the chairman showed in his report that in canada they have been much less than that of companies doing a similar kind of business in the ies doing a similar kind of business in the
United States. With a reserve fund of over one million, and assets valued at $\$ 2,41 \%, 642$, this Company possesses a financial standing which must in the future continue to command for it a liberal share of the best business of the continent. In the report the Companys otticers and agents were accorded praise for their management throughout a particularly trying year. Mr. A. M. Smith and Mr. Geo. president respectively for the ensuing year.

When we embark in the dangerous ship called Life, we must not, like Ulysses, be tied to the mast; we must know how to listen to the songs of the sirens and how to brave their
blandishments.-Arsene Housaya.

Cbristian Endeavor.

## HOW AND WHY SHOULD WE PRAY?

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April 1.-Matt. 6:5-15
Prayer is a most helpful means of grace. It is one of outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption. It is important, therefore, hat we should know how to engage in it.
I. How should we pray?
(I) We should pray reverently. We should remember that we are coming into the presence of the great God who searches the hearts of the children of men. Our hearts should be impressed with the thought that God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about Him (Ps. lxxxix. 7; Heb. xii. 28). Levity is utterly out of place in prayer. We should not be rash to utter anything before God for He is in heaven and we are upon the earth (Eccles. v. 2).
(2) We should present our petitions in the name of Christ. "There is one Mediator between Ged and man, the man Christ Jesus" (I Tim. ii. 5). Very frequently did Christ remind His disciples that they must present their prayers to God in His name (John xiv. 13. 14; xv. 16; xvi. 23, 26).
(3) We should pray in faith. Without faith it is impossible to please God (Heb. xi. 6). "All things whatsoever we ask in faith, believing, we shall receive" (Matt. xxi. 22). According to our faith it shall be done to us (Matt. ix. 29)
(4) We should also pray earnestly, or with importunity. This feature of prayer was emphasized by Christ in the parable of the Friend who came at Midnight, and also in that of the Unjust Judge. How earnest and importunate Jacob was! To the angel who wrestled with him he said, "I will not let thee go except thou bless me." How importunate Paul was alsol Three times he besought the Lord to remove that thorn in the flesh (II. Cor. xii. 7,9 ).
(5) While we ask for what we desire we should always be prepared to submit to God's will. He knows what is best for us, whereas we know only what we would like to have, and what is best may be very different things. Let us be satisfied then, that even though we do not receive what we desire, we shall receive something better, and let us be prepared to say, "Let Him do as seemeth Him good."

1I. Why should we pray? Many are asking now the question long ago asked by another, "What profit shall we have if we pray unto Him?" The profit is greater every way.
(i) We shall receive many of the things we ask for. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" (James v. 16, 18). The poet wrote :
"Who can tell but God may let some halfformed purpose wait,
n answer to a strong united cry ?"
But we do not so understand God's plans and purposes. God promised certain bless ings to Israel, but he added, "Yet for all this will I be inquired of by the House of Israel o do it for them."
(2) Even if we fail to receive the blessing which we desire, we shall receive something better. So it was with Paul (II. Cor. xii. 7, 9). "They that truly seek the Lord shall not lack any good." "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." He may withhold some things-indeed, He may withhold many tnings, but He will withhold no good thing.
(3) In any case we shall have communion with God, and such fellowship can result only in good to us. Luther was accustomed to advise his friends to be much in communion with God, because he thought that if they were helped by being in the company of great and good men, they would be much more benefit ed by being much in fellowship with God.

Cumberland Presbyterian : A good way to begin work in a new field is to double the
circulation of the church paper.
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THF TRITF SHFPHFRT
I was wandering and weary: When my Saviour came unto me:
Hor the waps of sin teve deave For the waps of sin grew dreary,
And the woud tad ceased to w Antr the unght Iherrd him say.
As he came along his way,
" 0 O foolish souls 1 come ne
My sheep shuuld never fear me;
I ana the Stephetd true"
At mist 1 would not hearken, Aud yut uff whl the muris
Rut life lepan to darken, And I wins sick with sorrow
And I thourht I heard him say,
As he came along the way
As he came along the way,
$\therefore \mathrm{O}$ wandering souls c me My whandering souls ' che me neqr never fear me,

1 am the Shepherd true.'
At last I stopped to listen;
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1 saw his kind eye glisten,
And I thought I heard him say,
As he went alorg his way,
My sheep should never fear me;
I an the Shepherd true"
He look me on his shoulder,
Alad tecaderly he kissed me
He bade my love be bo'der.
And sald how he had missed me:
And I'm sure I heard hum sa
As he went along the way,
As he went along the way,
"On preci us couls? come
Oh freci us culs: come neas me
1 am the Shepherd true.'
Crange gladness seonied to move him
Wherever I did better;
And he coaxed me so to love him,
As if he was iny debtor.
And I always heard him say,
As he went along his way,
As he went along his way,
O precious souls : come gear me ;
ly sheep should never fear me,
I am the Shepherd true."
1 thought his love rould weaken,
As mure and more he knew
But it buineth like a beacun, But it bulneth like a beacun, And its light and heat go through me
And I ever hear him say, And I ever hear him say,
As he goes along his way,
As he goes along his way,
My sheep should never fear me,
I am the Shephetd true."
Let us do then, Jearest brothers
What will best and longest pleaze us Follow not the ways of others,
But trust warselves to Jesus.
We shall erer hear him say.
As he goes along his way,
O wandering souls ! come near rae:
My sheep should never lear me,
I am the Shepherd true."
I am the Shepherd true. -Faber
THE PILGRJM'S PROGRESS.
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It is not too much to say, that Bunyan's beautiful dream does not come enough into the hearts of godly men in our day! It does not haunt them and so it does not instruct them, and fill them with a great spiritual hunger for real advancement. Speak of it, and its bright, suggestive scenes all live again; but it needs this touch to make them live. This dream, with its rich and lovely picturings, painted with the sharp colouring of our simple Anglo-Sazon speech, and set in an atmosphere which only true genius can command, will never fade away. It will abide forever, to charm the soul and elevate the thought and ennoble the feeling of the followers of Cbrist. It is for the church an everlasting possession. And its teaching shall never become obsolete, because it is teaching the churct always needs. No doubr, many may regard tue teachings as 100 narrow, as not covering the entire field of human activity, as being too strictly puritanic. And there is something in that objection. Bunyan gives us too exclusively the religious side of life, if we may venture such a statement in view of the fact well understood everywhere to-day, that all man's life is religious. But he so represents the pilgrim's action as though he had nought else to care for or consider. And so, as Cbarles Kingsley has pointed out, Edmund Spencer, has given a more just conception of Christian life in his great allegory, "Faery Queene" It is the cineteenth century conception. IIe says," In the great alle. gory of the anti-Puritanic party, man is considered as striving to do noble work in this World, not merely, as in 'The Pilgrim's Pro.
gress, to pass through it on his jountey to some better world, in the former, therefore, the proper background is the world itsell, in all its forms whether national or artificial, and in the latter the world is renounced and the only background is the heaven soward which man is journeying." This narrowness of Bunyan's conception no one will deny. It is the powerful, concentrated, puritanic conception, marking a strong and resolute revolt from a lite of licentiousness and frivolity.
We need this, with its mighty emphasis, to counteract our sin which " doth so easily beset as," unbelief, and slipping into the lite and ways of unbelievers. And we need to bring to the front its fundamental thought-progress. It is a reasonable and manful step to take, to come to the cross and look upon Christ and accept Him as our own sacrifice for sin. That is the first step in the life of godliness. Without that as a shoughtful and deliberate act, no other step, distinctively Chris luan, can be tasen. That is the beginning, the settiog out on a Christian course. But it is only the beginning, the whole of a life of faith and love and godliness lies beyond it. He has believed, now there is "the obedience of lath." He has recelved life, now he is to live as one who is alive unto God. He has been put in possession of a talent, now he is to trade with that talent. He has starred to run, now he is to run the race set before him, locking unto Jesus. He is not to stand still ; where life is, growth will be; and advancement and enlargement, in a word, progress !
Many a godly man is miserable and ua happy and an open sore of discontent, among even godly people, because he is not going forward. He ought to grow, but he does not, and a peevish, snarling, faulfinding temper takes possession of him. He sees good nowhere and in no one. He is all out of sorts himself and he does his best to make everyone the can safluence like himself. A task, alas : that is ofien all too easy. He has fallen out of the circle of the heavenly barmonies and lies all broken and discordant. He gets no good out of Bible, prayer meeting or preaching. There comes to him only bitter reflections, severe condemnations and awfal denuaciations. He is the mark that every fiery arrow strikes. He is the object that every flash of lightoing hits. He is the unfortunate one. The very happiness of others only increases his misery.
He is standing in a place that be ought to have left behind. He is not obeying the heavenly voices that cry, for ward ! FORWARD: If ye then be risen with Christ seek those things which are above: Giving all dilixence -mark the words-all diligence, add to your fath virtue, knowledge, self coutrol, etc: Therefore, leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto peifection: Such is the unform teaching of the New Testament. We are informed that God's purpose is that we should be "conformed to the tmage of his Son." And we have exceeding great and precious promises given to us that by them we might be partakers of the divine nature, baving escaped the corruption of the gorld through lust.
We have also examples set before us to in spire us to effort; to win us to devotion, to fill us with enthusiasm. Paul cries, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing 1 do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."
Our Lord's watchword is akin to this, " Follow me."
Madan's poetic rendering of Micah's words, "Arise ge . . this is not your rest," is ringing with the New Testament spirit and feeling:

## "Rise, my soul, and stretich thy wings ;

## Thy better portion trace; Rise from transitory things, <br> Rise from transitory things,

Towards beaven thy natuve.place.
Sun, moon and stars decay;
Time shall soon this carth remove
Rise, my soul, and haste away
To seats prepared above."
Tte progress which the Cbristian makes 's one whith begins within first. Heartwork first, then bandwork. We are transformed by the renewing of our minds that we may prove what is that good and acceptable and prove what is that good and acceplable and
lieveth untn righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. When God draws us, and that He does by the cords of love gracious and tender considerations that take hold of our inner nature-then rie run after Him. Obedience then is easy and delightul. We ioy to do His will. And in this there is true and blissful freedom. We come in to the sweet consctousness tuat we are not slaves, but sons. Sons of God: Dr. Thomas Chalmers having heen feasting for a time on the pure gospel delineated in "The Marrow of Modern Divinty." writes in his diary this brief but highly significant statement. "August 24-Finished the ' Marrow.' I feel a growing delight in the fulness and sufficiency of Christ. O my God, bring me nearer and nearer to Him." There we have laid bare the very roots of progress. In another part of his diary we have this heart-deep cry, "O Heavenly Father, convert my religion from a name to a principle. Bring all my thoughts and movements into a habitual reference to Thee. May I call on Thy name in deed and reality, that I may be saved." There we have the growing Chistian.
Henry Alford, D.D., that beautiful soul loved and honored by all who had the joy of his acquaintance, records this in his journal when twenty-three years of age, attending Cambridge. "Reading aloud during our walks Isaac Walton's 'Life of Herbert.' 1 am determined by God's grace to be a follower of him, as he was of Christ." And in the same week, "I have been reading a review of the life of Felix Neff; many points to be imitated in it, particularly his entire devotedness to his work. O Lord, grant me the like."
These are the breathings of a devout and a progressive soul. The Rev. Thomas K. Beecher was wont to attend Episcopal service as a lad in Philadelphia. Being in the choir he was invited to join the church. His father, Lyman Beecher, visited him there and they conversed much about this matter. His father's advice was given in these words: "Tom, your mother loved the Epis. copal Church. She was a good woman. The Episcopal Church is as good as any. Go there il you can do any good by going : I have no objection at all, only zwhatever church yous go to be a Christian and work.
Work : Ah. vigorous health, good appetite, growth and every kind of usefulness as well as happincss come through work. So our loving Master says, "Son, go work to-day in my vineyard.
We are pilgrims and strangers on the way home and our Christ-likeness is to be put on in doing the Master's will, and so we shall be armed against Giant Despair, Vanity Fair, the Valley of the Shadow of Death and the terror of every lion along the way, and fitted to enjoy the Interpreier'shou $\mathrm{se}_{\text {, the enchanted ground, }}$ the laad of Beulah, and go safely across the cold river to the fair palace of the King. And in addition to this, we shall have wrought such good along the way, that the world shall be the better for our being in it. And we be2ng dead shall yet continue to speak.

A LESSON $\overrightarrow{\text { IROM A USEFUL LIFE. }}$
On the first Sabbath morning of this month a little before church bells were calling vor. shippers to the house of God, there entered into His eternal rest, from her own quietly home in Brick Church, N.J., one who has spent a long life of Christian usefulness and service. Happily such records are not so rare that they need to be especially noted, but sometimes, as in this case, there are features that have a value io illustrating truths too litthe appreciated.
The life just closed owed its earnestuess and steadfastness in Christian cbaracter and service to the very wise action of her parents at a critical period of her youth, and this account is given with the thought that it may be useful by way of example.
Mrs. Juiiana Bu'kiey was the midor of the late Dr. Heary $D_{1}$ Buikley, for nearly a third of a century a leading New York physician The bome of her early life was at Rome, N.Y., and when she had availed herself of the advantages the place cou'd give, her parents sent her to a school of high character in a distant city. Some time after she had leltiner lell, ne
town ; that wonderfal cevangelist, the Rev. Charles G. Finney, visted it, moving its people deeply as he spoke of the things of God. As the interest increased Juliana's parents greatip regretted the absence, of their young daughter from these influences.

She was a dutiful daughter, the kindest of sisters, but they knew she had not settled the question between God and her soul, and the more they thought of it, the more their anx. iety increased. To bring her home for some time meant an interruption of her duties, loss of standing, and possibly a serious injury to the effort at what was in those days a con siderable sacrifice. Their anxiety for her religious interests, however, prevailed, and they had her return. She came with a young school friend as a companion, and little in sympathy with the great interest of the tova, she determined to make it a lively and very pleasant winter vacation.
It was indeed to be so, but in a very different way from her anticipations, for the Holy Splrit brought her heart in penterce th foot of the Cross, and she gave herself unre. servedly to the crucified Oae. Those who re call the thorough, heart searching work so characteristic of the revivals President Finnes conducted, will also remember the fruit they bore in steadfast and devoted lives.
All the first missionaries of one of the greatest works carried on by the American Board were converted under his ministrations. I was work which involved a complete surrender to Christ, and whether the convert entered upon a public scrvice, or, like Mrs. Bulkley, served God in her home, church and neigh. borhood, it was a life "always abounding in the work of the Lord."
Mrs. Bulkley and her family were for many years connected with the church of the late Dr. Crosby in New York, where she was active in the missions of the church, in the Sunday school, and the little prayer circles. When, after .he death of her husband, she took up home in Brick Church, N.J., the church, the needy of the neightorhood, the hospital and the olphan asylum were constant ly benefitted by her good works as well as by her Christian walk and example.
She early had the satisfaction of seeing alt her family (olways strongly influenced by ber) members of the fold of Christ. Her last fem years were spent in feebleness and seclusion, but in unfaltering trust in her divine Master, in whose arms at last she gently sank to rest.
In these days when the ambition of pareat for the advantages of their chuldren in mater ial things so often far outweighs any anxiety for their soul's interest, does not this story of olden time come with a most useful lesson Who can estimate the good resulting from the decision of those parents to seek for their child " first the kingdom of God," placing " before all other interests, an act which God blessed with a blessing that not only pervajed her whole life, but was shared by those about her. Let us not forget that "He is the re warder of those, who diligently seek Him, and especially that to those who seck to bring the young to Him His favor and reward is unbounded.-New York Evangelist.

Dr. Munroe Gibson, of London, has been lecturing at Birmingham, England, on the "Unity and Symmetry of the Bible." "Al though the sacred volume," he said, "mas a collection of the works of different wruters, yet at the same time there was one continuous and progressive motion throughout the Bible Following the course of thought, one could see as it were the building of a great bridge. from one country to another. The workmen in the earlier parts of the work especially, had only the dimmest idea of what they were about, and of what was to follow, and they all
built with fa: better effict than they kner. built with fa: better effict than they knem.
Each century seemed to be doing its work io. dependently and sometimes in the most frag. mentary and piecemeal fashion, and yet when all was done, the whole majestic arch suggest ed a single master mind."

The Empress of Germany is sald to be a "living and, earnest Christian in the deepen sedse of the word." Such is the tesitmong of Count Bernstorff; whe alaō says of the Em peror:that be "takes a hearty sateresiun re

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MISSION WORK IN INDIA.
The following extract from a letter of Dr. Kellogg, to one of his friends in this city, has been given to us for publication. It will be read, not only by a large circle of personal friends, but by all who are interested in mission work, with great interest :
In mission matters the wrik of the last week of the old vear has been especially pleasant; as it has been our happiness to receive into the Church of Christ by baptism six Hindoos during the week. Of these the last were the wife and daughter of one of my servants. He had been a Christian some time, but she had not scen her way clear to join him until just now. In talking with her I was greatly pleased to find how well she was acquainted with not merely the substance, but the very words of the Gospels; for she cancot read a word, and it appeared that her
husband who can read well, bad been dilisently teaching her the Gospel in his home and thereby showing bis faith by his works. She seems indeed to have really intelligently rusted Christ. I do not think one bas any warrant to require any deep theologic $3^{1}$ knowledge in a convert from among an igoorant poople like these, but a certasin degree of knowledge is certainly necessary to a real faith; and all whom 1 meet tell me with great regret of the very light aud superficial character of the Christianity of many of the thousands reported; persons would be only too glad to be able to tell a different story if they

1 was much impressed a few Sundays ago when a family was being baptized, to see in the seat just in front of me one of the most potorious murderers hereabouts; a man who bas killed in cold blood at least three times, and who, no doubt-had the murders been commutted under the British flag. instead of in the neighboring native state of Garhwalwould long ago bave been huag. Yet there mas this Hindoo in church, his mother, an adulteress, nuchly clad in heavy goid ornaments, sitting near bum; and the murderer visibly shaking with emotion as the tears rolled down his cheeks. Mr. Uliman, of our mission here, seems to have got hold of the man and his mother, and we pray that the unfuence acquired may end to the conversion of both. It is not often that one could see such a sight as that, whem old Mr. Ullman drove soto the church yard seated with this nich murderer and his mother, in their stylish English carnage, bringing them to church to bear the Gospel oi Christ.
On Christmas day we got up what I shall call a "mela," a kind of sociable, for our native Christian community and others, out under the trees in the mission compound. We bad plain refreshments for them, then a few short addresses relative to the work which a member of this church has been doing in the neighboring native state of Sirmoor, where we bave an out-station, about sixty miles from here, which one of us with the native pastor of the church bere had been visitiog.
I was pleased and surprised to see on this occasion among our native Christian people several of the better class of Hindoo and Mohammedan gentlemen, and more surprised still when three or four of these even weat the length of eating with us. Among these was the Sardar Nus Mohammed, the father-in-law of the Amir Yakoob Khan, the ex-prince of Afghanistan, who a few years ago when the British had to interfere there, in consequeace of outrages, of massacre, etc., committed by the rulers of the distracted country, as one of the claimants to the tbrone, was by them taked prisoner and brcught here to Debra, where he lives as a prisoner of the state, under a good degree of freedom, with a fine house, stylish equipages, retinue, etc., but uoder an
unobtiusive surveillance of a government unobtrusive surveillance of a goverament offical or his deputy. We invited the Ameer himself, but as he was off on a bunting expe-
dition, be did not appear, though, indee,d, as dition, be did not appear, thougb, inderd, as
I said, bis father-in-law or, more accurately, one of his fathers-in-law (for bo has three rives) appeared in his stead, together with the native depuly offcial in charge of the Ameer, Najif Ali by name Thiṣ Iattor is an
uncommonly fine specimen of a Mohammedan gentleman, speaks well in Eaglish, Urdu and Persian, is highly educated and well read. He is reputed to be very favorably inclined to Christianity, and indeed his brother is an ordained Christian minister in a neighboring mission. I think it is worth not a little to get access to people of this class in a social way, for to reach these with the Gospel bazar preaching is of no use. We are blessed here with an uncommonly good man, Pddri Rallu Ram, as the ordained native pastor of the Hiadustani church. He is a converted Brahman, and is a man of uncommon spirituality, great earnestness, and a gift for oponing and practically applying the Word of God, which any of us might be glad to have, and in which a multi,ude of ministers among us would not equal hum. I am alwes's much edified by his preaching. He has a great deal of tact in getung at people and, Caristian as he is, has the entree to the Amecr's household, and has preached the truth faithfully to the Ameer himself. In the stormy days which all anticipate tor India and Afghanistan in the near future there is no knowing who may succeed to the throne of the latter country; and it is said that,very probably, in event of the death or dethronement of the present reigning Aneer, the British wouid provabiy, as aganst Russtan inirigue, endeavor to place this Dehra Ameer Yokkon Khan on the throne. Who knows, in such an event, how much it might yet come to signify that he had formed friendly relations with earnest, Christian men, and had more knowledge of the Gospel than most Aighans?
We had an Usdu New Year's service this morning in the native church, at which I preached from Is. $21: 11,12$. I was pleased to see the same Mobammedan Deputy, Naj! All, at church, and a very attentive hearer I took occasion to refer to the progressive return of the Jews to Falestine as one of the signs that the night was far speat and the day was at hand, a sign unique and unmistakable Afte: service the Deputy came to me and brought up the matter, which was quite new to him. You know all orthodox Mobammedans look for the second advent of Jesus Christ and many among them also thiak the day to be near, and the Deputy seemed much impressed when I called bis attention to the significance of the Jewish movements as a sign that "Huzrat Isa," the Lord Jesus, was soon coming in his kingdom. And the last word he said was to the effect that be was coming to see me soon, when l hope to have I were able to speak in Persian, for nearly all these Afghans converse in Persiau only, but although I read it and can understaod, 1 a little, I am not equal to conversation. - The Prestyterian Messenger, Pittsburg.

## THE DETROIT MISSIONARY CON.

 VENTION.Association Hall, Montreal, was well Gilled with ladies and students, on a recent Sunday afternoon, to hear the report of the McGill
students who attended the recent missionary convention in Derroit. Mr. George Hague presided and Sir Willam Dawson mas seated upon the plaiform. Mr. Leslie, president of the delegation, said that the recent convention was the second ever held, the first having been held in 1886 by Mr. Moody. At the first convention a few voung men signed a declaration to become foreign missionaries and to day there were upwards of 3,200 students who have signed the declaration in
North America alone. There were also 700 North America alone. There were also 700 voluntecrs in Great Britain. The large num. ber at the convention showed what a chance there was for a college man to go out and help to evangelize the world. In McGill University, at the present time, there were twentythree men and women who bad made the declaration, and there were McGill students
doing missionary work in Africa, India, China and Japan at the present ume.

A number of years ago the government oi apan began to send its prisoners to HokThi priso most northerly island of the group. country for settlement aud in various industries. The prisons are now under one management, and the general superintendent has introdiciced a Caristian instructor in each of the prisons, with very bappy results.
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The Interior: No matter where we glean among the faiths of man, these sheaves make obeisance to the sheaf of Christianity as it arises and stands upright.

Presbyterian, London: A good idea is a holy thing, often a God-sent thing ; responst bility accompanies it, biessiiä̈ escorts it. It knocks again and again at the cioor of our
self-interests, our indifference, our indolence.

Cumberland Presbyterian: No Protestant body, so far as we know, maintains that it is the only church of God, or that the kingdom of heaven is shut up in its narrow limits. A'l admit tbat there are genuine Christians, and genuine work of the Holy Spirit in other folds.
Presbyteriab, London: The busy man has always time for more ; the well-arranged and ordered mind always houseroom for more; the heart enlarged by love to Christ and love to man has possibilities and expansibilutes far greater than the most sanguine ambition ever conceived.

The Independent : If alcoholic liquor not only destrops so many characters, but is responsible for tae chief expense of our crimi nal courts, our prisons and our poorbouses, then society bas the right to forbid its sale. Prohibition is the only safe policy for the government of a State.
J. R. Macduff: God does not give grace until the hour of trial comes. But when it does come, the amount of grace and the nature of the special grace required is vouch safed. Do not perplex thyself with what is ueeded for future emergencies; $\mathbf{1 0}$-morrow will bring its promised grace along with to morrow's trials.

Rev. Dr. Stalker : It is one of the most desirable things in religion that those who make a profession of fullowing Christ should be able to show that Christianity is a joy to them. There is nothing which so impresses the young especially as the observation that religion is agreat and inexhaustible source of bappiness to those who possess it.

Formard : The Father of lies has found an able ally in the Advocate, the official organ of the liquor trade of Ontario. Ingenious sophistry, mingled with puerile absurdities perverted truths, distorted facts, inuendo sneers, etc., are its staple production. It is evidently intended for a select circle of readers. It aims to unite the trade for offensive and defensive action.
Methodist Review: Considering all the phenomena before us, and remembering the outcome of New Testament criticism, we be lieve that the higher criticism of the Old Testament will deliver the church from the worship of the letter on one side, while upon the other side it will furnish coming generations with stroager reasons than anv other generation has possessed for the conviction that we have the word of prophecy made more sure.
Westminster Endeavorer : The time that remains to us for doing geod to those by whom we are immedately surrounded may be very short. Onr own stay on earth is very uncertain, but if we continue to enjoy the capacity for nsefulness, it will still remain true that the time is short. Of the number of those among whom we are now moving, some will very soon be called to their account. What we do for them we must do quickly. This year may afford us our last opportunity.

Rev. Alex. Whyte, D.D. : It gives this Louse an immense and an ever.green interest $t 0$ me to see character after character coming
trooping in Sabbath night after Sabbath night, each man to see himself and his neigh. bor in john Buayan's so truthful and so fearless glass. But it stabs me to the heart with a mortal stab to see how fer of us out of this weekly crowd are any better men after all we come to see and to hear. At the same time, such a constant dropping will surely in time war away the hardestrock.

Teacher and 5cholar.


After Jacob's meeting with Esau he continued his journey to Canaan. There he halted at Shechem, where he purchased land, dug a well (jno. iv. 7,6), and erected an altar showing his intention to settle. But the treacherous zeal of his sons in avenging their sister's wrong, gave him cause to dread the hostulity of the nerghbouring tribes, and at God's word he removed to Bethel, a divine fear restraining the inhabitants from pursuit. Here again God appeared, confirming the covenant promises and the change of Jacob's name, also anew revealing himself as the Almikhy. Then still sou.hward Jacob journeyed, till Isaac abode at Eubron was reached. On the way, ere coming to Bethlehem, Rachel died in giving birth to the infant brother of Joseph, whom the father named son of my right hand.
I. The Youthful Joseph.-A liule lad of about six years when his father returned fiom: Padan-Aram, Jojeph now appears a
youth of seventeen, shanng with his brothers youth of seventeen, sharing with his brothers the hardships and exposure of a shepherd's life. He wasespeciallyassociated with the sons
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natures, that of Joseph seems to have united natures, that of $\begin{aligned} & \text { oseph seems to have united } \\ & \text { in itself some of the best characteristics of his }\end{aligned}$ forefathers. He had the dignity, decision and strengith of Abraham, the purity, patience and getileness of Isaac, the warm-heartedness and resulute persistence of Jacob. Perhaps he owed much to the training of his father, whose character had been changed siace whose character had been changed since
Peniel. Then at intimacy of the aged Isaac, who still survived. II. Envy of His Brothers. - In a household ine focone to shere four family proups, there united, there was every likelitood other, were united, here was every likelitiood
of ill feeting and strife. The greater youth of loseph and Benjamin, as well as their moth erless condition, would naturally expose them most to this. Other circumstances intenst fied the 11 -fechng entertanned aganst joseph. One sprang out of his higher molal character. The conduct of his half brothers was sach that Jnsept brought an evil repnrt of it to his father. Nothing in the narrative implies that in this he was acting the part of a tale-bearer to get his brothers into trouble. His duttes as a sort of andencmant and messenger between his ather an account of their proceedings. Doubtless their unnamed iniquity was of such a charac ter that Jacob ought to be acquanted with it. But nalurally the disciusure aroused their batred. Their envy was further provoked by Jacob's partiality for Joseph, and especialiy by the unwise way in wnich he let this be seen. Jacob's heart could not well be other than strongly drawn out towards the son of his be-
loved Rachel, so attracive in disposition, and loved Rachel, so attracive in disposition, and perhaps wise beyond his years, as some think age" (lit. son of the old ones). But this should not have prevented him kecping all the sons on a level in the family relations. Instead of this he showed the most marked favor to Joseph. A special instance of this was the long-sleeved garment (R. V. margio) reaching to the hands and feet, which the father made for him. This was not simply a costly dress. but such a tunic as was worn by princes and persons of distinction. It was thus a mark of superiority, and an intumation, not obscure, that Jacob intended to transicr the right of the first born to Joseph. This partiality, and all that it implied, so roused the hatred of his breihren, that they could not bring themselves even to greet him with the ordinary salutation, Peace to thee." An addi:ional cause of III Jnsephis accnuat of his dreams.
III. His Dreams.-The prospects for oseph, suggested by his father's favortism, coflection well be without an mitience on his may have. His waking thoughts accordingly may have partly supptred the substance of bis which he was famliar suppled their imagery. The brother's sheaves making obeisance to his, the sun, moon and stars bowing down before himself, have the obvious inccrpretation of pre-eminence to be accordec him. The fact that Joseph tells the dreams, shows a guileless simplicity rather than an ambitious spirit, but his mode of telling seems to have intensitied the offensiveness of the dreams themselves, since his brethren hated him the more for his words also. Even his father was moved to reprove what seemed to indicate pride, but he kepr the saving in mind. While the dreams may have taken from what was before in Joseph's mind, the issue shows that they contained a distinct divine direction. In God's provid ence the very hatred they aroused belped to shape the way:that led to their folfilment.

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TOKON [O, WEDNESDAY, MAKCH $28 \mathrm{TH}, 1894$.

ONE of the charges made against Lord Rose bery is that he is too "bright and humor ous" for a Prime Minister. Some Prime Minister are mercifully saved from such weaknesses.

TE Interior declares that the literature of the American schools of to day is agnostic else can it be? The literature of any purely secular school system must of necessity become agnostic

WITING to the chairman of his Election Committee in Midlothian, Gladstone says that Scotland has been on the right side of every cause for sixty years. That is a high compliment for Scotland. Had Ireland been as fairly ruled as Scotland, the record of the Green Isle might have been equally good.

ACORRESPONDENT asks the British Weekiy where he can find the best discussion on both sides of the question of marriage with a deceased wife's sister. That man never read the reports of our General Assembly or he never would have asked such a question. Soinebody should send him a few copies of our Blue Book.

ITTis very unfortunate that a treaty should be before the Dominion Parliament providing for the mportation of French wines at the very time that four of the seven provinces of the Dominion have declared in favour of prohibition. Mr. Foster should strike the wine clause out of that treaty, and if the whole thing falls through, let it fall. There is far too much liquor in this country now.

THF British Weekly says that a Presbyterian minister in Ohio closed his farewell sermon with these pathetic words:
"I am willing to relinquish my charge to my unknown uccessor, but may God have mercy on his soul."
We have known a few ministers who felt a little that way when leaving their congregations, but it was the bodies of their successors that gave them most con cern. A small, poorly paid salary may cause some shrinkage in the body, but it does not necessarily affect a man's spiritual past.

PLYMOUTH Brethren denounce the denomina tions for their number and alleged general wickedness and then mend matters by starting a sect more narrow, bitter and exclusive than any of the Churches they denounce. Some people in Ontario seem to be doing the same thing in the political arena. They denounce the old parties and then organize new ones with cast-iron regulations, that an old Tory or Grit would not endure for an

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hour. It is difficult to see how the number of de nominations can be lessened by starting a new one or how partyism can be overcome by starting new parties inore rigid in their rules and obligations than any of those already in existence. S Mr. Joseph Martin, M.P. for Winnipeg, is regarded by many as an anti-separate school , it may be well to know exactly where the honorable gentleman stands on educational questions. Mr. Martin is much more than an opponent of sep rate schools. In a speech recently quoted in the arate schools. House of Commons he declared that he was not satisfied with the School Act and had never been so He had made a strong effort to have the public schools controlled by the Government really made national schools, with religion obliterated, and he was now more convinced than ever that that was the only school that could be justified as constitutional." only school that would be interesting to know how many of the It would be interesting to know how many of Martin in his desire to "obliterate" religion from the public schools. HERE is a serious deficit in the Foreign Mission Fund. If it is not wiped out when the are closed on the 30th of April, its existence may be accounted for in one or other of two ways. Either our people are unable or unwilling to meet he obligations incurred by the Foreign Mission Committee. If from the depression or any other cause the people are really unable to find the money there is no help for it. We must just bow to the therevitable and recognize the hand of God in prevent inevitable Church from doing the work that it intended ing the Church from doing the work that it intended to do. If our people are able to give the money but unwilling to do so, we should humble ourselves before God, confess our sin, and ask forgiveness Angry speeches about economy, such as are being delivered elsewhere, will only make matters worse If there is to be a crisis in our Foreign Mission work let us meet it like Christian men.

HE Established Churches in England and Scotland may yet regret the fierce opposition they gave to Gladstone. The Grand Old Man was
a High Churchman and did not take kindly to the a High Churchman and did not take kindly to the His sense of dúty, fortified a little perhaps by political exıgencies led him to lay hands on the Irish Establishment and would no doubt have compelled him to disendow the Episcopacy in Wales, but it is an open secret that he did not like that kind of work. He hesitated long before taking any decided stand in regard to the Scotch Establishment. Rosebery is a very different type of man. He is no theologian, cares nothing about political ecclesiastics and is strongly suspected of having a leaning towards the Free Church. He has been several times in the Free Assembly and is supposed to be on rather intimate terms with that astute leader Prin cipal Rainy. The Establishments may find him much more formidable than they found Gladstone.

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HE following story is going the rounds and may be useful to some member of Assembly preparing a speech for the Psalter debate that will most assuredly take place in St. John:

Dr. Guthrie once paid a visit to the Duke of Argyll at Inverary Castle, by special invitation. A large and brilliant assemblage of guests, including Mr. Gladstone, were staying at the castle, and before they retired for the night Dr. Guthrie was asked by the Duke to conduct "family worship." "With
reat pleasure will I conduct it." said the Doctor ; "but in the great pleasure will I conduct it," said the Doctor; "but in the
castle of Argyll we must observe the good old Presbyterian castle of Argyll we must observe the, good ow igred that a Scotch psalm should be sung to a Scotch tune ; but the diffi cully was to find a "precentor," that is, a gentieman or lady who would "raise the tune," and lead the singing. After a number of ladies and gentlemen to the duty, Mr. Gladstone had declared themselves " I'll raise the tune, Dr. Guthrie;" and well did he perform his task. We all know what a fin voice the Premier has, but it is not so well known that he is a good singer.

If one just knew the psalm Guthrie "gave out" and the tune Gladstone selected that story would be perfect.

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he asked the way from about half a dozen neighbours living quite near the place, ore of those in the next lot; that he entered the house and without any conceivable motive deliberately murdered two old and helpless people. Having committed this most atrocious crime he went out to the barn and stole a horse, probably known to every neighbour on the concession, hitched him to a cutter that all the neighbours might know and drove into the city along a road on which he might meet any of the neighbours on their way home from market. MAn, horse and cutter then disappear from view for twenty-four hours and re-appear in the city on Friday evening. How two men and a horse and cutter could be concealed for twenty-four hours in Toronto so that no one saw them, must be a mystery to all jurists who know anythiny of the difficulty of concealing stolen goods. On Saturday morning the men are known to have hawked the horse and cutter about Toronto, and if the theory of the Crown is correct, they thus advertised themselves as thieves and murderers. It is not usual for men bent on committing murder to go in open daylight to their victim and as they go enquire the way. Nor is it usual for them to exhibit the evidence of their guilt a few miles from the spot on which the crime was committed, to say nothing about the absence of motive which was a striking feature in the present case. People who do not jump to the conclusion that every man charged with crime is guilty of crime cannot help feeling the force of Mr. Justice Fer guson's remark to the jury that "it might eve remain a mystery who did it." The fact that the Crown counsel displayed marvellous skill in putting minute circumstances together proves little more than the ability oi the learned gentleman. Had he been on the other side he could have torn them apart with equal skill. The fact is, the Crown never got to the bottom of this fearful tragedy.

## NEAL DOW.

 HE entrance of this distinguished philanthropist, the father and apostle of prohibition, upon is ninety-first year, has called forth a great many interesting notices of his life and history, some of which we propose to give to our readers.He was born on March 20th, 1804, in Portland, Maine, and continued to live under his father's roo until 1830 when, having been just married, he moved into his own house in the same city where he stil lives. He has thus spent the whole ninety years of his life in only two houses, a rather unusual circum stance in this changeful western world. His parents were Friends as were all his ancestors, paternal and maternal, as far back as anything is known of them They were all well-to-do farmers ; sober, industrious, thrifty workers; living peaceful lives; good citizens with no embroilments of any kind with neighbors or others. When Neal's education was finished he was put into his father's tannery to acquire a knowledge of that business and on reaching his majority was taken in as a partner.

Under the ministry of Rev. Justin Edwards, D.D., who devoted several years of his life to temperance missionary work among the churches of the State of Maine, Neal Dow early became interested in temperance work. He entered earnestly upon the work of enlightening public opinion as to the essential wickedness of the traffic and its danger to the public welfare His thorough enlistment in the cause of legal prohibition was brought alout by his receiving a note from a lady, asking his interposition on behalf of her husband who was ad dicted to drink, and who had got warning that unless he changed his habits he would lose his situation, upon which the sole support of his wife and family depended. The lady informed him that he frequented only one shop, and that if the keeper of that shop could be prevailed upon not to sell to him she would have hope of his reformation. Neal Dow went to the dealer and upon all his remonstrances proving vain, he resolved that, "Heaven helping me, I'll see if I cannot change all that." He then entered upon a temperance campaign extending over ten years of constant conflict and toil, carried on incessantly over the whole State with the help of friends, and the liberal use of the press. A more noble struggle has never been waged and hardly any more successful. When he began, the liquor traffic was carried on in Maine as it is still for the most part, followed by all its horrid train of evil, misery and suffering of every kind.

Mr. Dow became Mayor of Portland in the spring of 1851 . With a carefully drawn up anti-
lature was in scssinn and obtained a hearing in the Representatives Hall before a crowded audience. The special jnint committee to which the subject was referred, reported unanimously in its favour at the close of the hearing, adopted his bill, repolted it to the Legi, lature next morning, the same day it was enacted by both the Senate and the House by majorities of tivo to onc. This was the last day of May, and on June 2nd, it took cffect immediately upon receiving the Governor's sigñature. I'rohibition in Maine has often been ridiculed and slandered as a failure if nut a farce, but the lact remains, a very significant fact, that the bill retains its place on the stalute books, that it has been made more and more effective, and that in 1884, by a majority vote of 47.075 , a vote of three to one in its favour, it was embodied in the constitution of the State.

Mr. Dow took an active part in the Civil War and received from President Lincoln a commission as Brigadier General. He was taken prisoner and spent the winter of $1863-4$ in Lilly prison and was liberated in exchange for Fitz Hugh Lee. Into this part of his life we do not enter.

He visited England three times in the service of temper: nce by the invitation of the United Kingdom Alliance and lectured on Prohibition in almost every part of the kingdom. These visits were made in 1854, 1866 and 1873 and his services were given gratuitously.
General Dow, as he is often called, comes of a long lived race and at ninety is still hale and hearty. "His health," says Mrs. Joseph Cook, in the Independent," is excellent and he is a splendid example of what temperance in all things and total abstinence from alcohol and narcotics can do for one physically. His complexion is smooth and ruddy, and his voice
so firm and resonant that he could easily be heard in a large auditorium. He reads everything worth reading in current temperance literature and keeps himself abreast with the latest phase of the great enterprise of his life. The temperance reform is always his favourite topic of conversation, although
he enjoys rehcarsing experiences of travel, especihe enjoys rehearsing experiences of travel, especi-
ally those in foreign lands." He has had a family of seven daughters and three sons, all of whom with the exception of two sons, still survive. "Tis wife
died in 1883. "Neal Dow's presence in his home," died in 1883. "Neal Dow's presence in his home,"
says Mrs. Cook, is a perpetual benediction." And when history comes to be written from a higher standpoint than has yet prevailed, and the world's great ones and benefactors shall be accounted not its warriors but those who have been the saviours of human life, the promoters of human happiness, the dispensers of manifold and incalculable bless. ings, the name of Neal Dow will be held in loving
remembrance, and handed down with honour and ever increasing honour to coming generations of men delivered from the thraldom, the curse and disgrace of the drink traffic in the way in which he was the first to lead. May he be spared until he sees the triumph of the cause that he loves and has served so well in our own Dominion, and prohibition ruling effectively under a wise governmeat and among a happy people from ocean to ocean.

## THE FUTURE OF THE FREE CHURCH.

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HE following article from the pen of one so well qualified to speak upon it as Rev. Dr. Stalker is, will be read with much interest.-ED.]
At the celebration of the jubilee of Ardrossan Free Church, Rev. Dr. Stalker, of Glasgow, spoke of the future of the Free Church. One of the things of the future, he said, would undoubtedly be union. Their Established Church friends had an idea that Scottish Christianity was to be reorganized on the base of Establishment. What were Free Church. men going to say to that? Their United Presbvterian brethren could not go in for union on this basis. This was perfectly obvious; but what about the Free Church? He would speak on this question with the utmost freedom, because he had a strong fecling about it himseli. He thought he could live inside the Established Church if Scottish Christianity were reconstructed on that base; but he knew perfectly well that that was not the sentiment of the great mass of their ministers, especially those who were younger than he. He knew that for a fact. They louked upon Establishmont as an expedient which might have been very useful at one stage of the development of the Church, but which was now for ever past, and they would reluse altogether to thrust the Church again into a position where the Ten Years' Conflict might all have to be fought over again. There were a few in the Free Church, undout dly, who would like very much to see the Scottish Church reorganized and reunited on an Establishment basis obut they might take this from
him as a fact, that there was not a man in the Free Church who knew the mind of the Free Church who would venture to make that proposal in the Cliurch court with any hope of carrying it. Was not that so? The Moderator, Dr. Walter Smith, at last sitting of the A-sembly, made a very moving appeal to the friends of the Es'ablishonent, that as the Free Church could not go to them, for the reasons just stated, they might, for the sake of union, sacritice their emoluments, and come to the Dissenters There had been no response to that appeal up to the present tiine, and he did not blame those who did not speak, because they might feel it would not be right for them to give up their position; but if that were so it was perfectly clear that at the present time union of that kind was out of the question. An Establishment was the golden charm that was keeping the different sections of the Presbyterian Church apart. Of course Disestablishment might remove that barricr; and then there would be a chance of their being all united; and he supposed that was the thought of those who pushed forward the ques-
tion of Disestablishment. Their hope was that all tion of Disestablishment. Their hope was that all
branches of the Presbyterian Church would then be united; but would that hope be realized? Of late some of their Established Church brethren had told them that if Disestablishment were to take place they would not unite with their Free and U.P. brethren, but would prefer to look elsewhere, to the Episcopalian Church; and the esteemed Moderator of the Established Church, Dr. Marshall Lang, if he was
not mistaken, had made a statement in public to not mistaken, had made a statement in public to
that effect. No recent utterances in Scotland had distressed him (Dr. Stalker) so much as these, for the reason that there seemed to be an impression on the part of those who made them that they were bound to Presbyterianism, not by affection and sympathy, but by the golden chain of State connection, and it that were loosed they would become Episcopalian. He was far from saying that that was the mind of the body of the ministers or the body of the people of the Established Church. He knew otherwise ; but it scemed to be the mind of the ministers who made these statements. What was the country going to say to statements of that kind? Did they think it wouid be kept back from Disestablishment by the fear of losing such men? He ventured to state that the country would say decisively " loose them, and let them go."

## OBITCARY.

THEfollowing not:ce of the death of the late Mrs. Mactavish, of Inverness, Scotland, taken from the Northern Clironicle of Inverness, of March 5th, will be read with sympathetic interest by many in all parts of Canada: "We regret to record the death of Mrs. Mactavish, wife of Rev. Dr. Mactavish, Free East Church, which occurred on Monday. The deceased lady, who was very highly estecmed, had been unwell for some time past. Mrs. Mactavish took a deep interest in church work, and her death will be much regretted not only by the members and adherents of the Free East Church, but also by those connected with other Presbyterian Churches in town. At a meeting of the Inverness Free Presbytery yesterday, it was resolved to express the sympathy of the members with Dr. Mactavish and family in their bereavement."

We share very deeply the sympathy felt throughout the city, and by many friends in every part of the country, with the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, nis lamily and oth-r relatives in their sad bereavement by the death of Mrs. M scdonnell. St. Andrew's Congre yation, the W. F. M. S. of our church, our Home Mis. sions and many a good cause besides, will feel the want of her intelligent, active interest and heip. The loss to her husband and family is such as they only can know. Prayers were offered on their behalf in many churches of the city on Sabbath, and the God of all consolation and comfort, who comiorteth those that are cast down, will in answer to these prayers be to them a very present help in their time of trouble.

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{s}}$N announcement that concerns very many is that of the closing exercises of Knox College on $A_{\text {pril }} 4^{\text {th }}$ and 5 th, and the many meetings taking place at that time in connection with the close of the college session. On this occasion they are of special interest and importance owing to the approaching jubilee of the college, which. it is desirable to make as attractive and effective as possible for the advancemert in all respects of the best interests of the college. We trust that there will be a large attendance of alumñi and an enthusiasm befitting the occasion.

## JBooks and Tllagazines.

The World's Parliament of kieligions is a vervfully desaled account in two volumes of this unique and wnnderluil gathering,
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## Who, groping in the dark of Thought <br> Touched the Great Hand and knew it not,

and the sublime joy of those to, whom Religion was a daily
walk in the light of the Eternal." Part IV. gives an account walk in the light of the Eternal." Part IV. gives an account under their several names of upwards of thirty different bodies
who had met in sep ratate congresses. Part V. closes the book with two chapters. or first, The Spirit of the Parliament; and second, The Infuence of the Parliament. It is needless to add, the work is one of rare and exceediag value in 311 the subjeris coming appropriately under its review. Hunter, Rose \& Co., Publishers, Toronto.

Though late we notice Onzward and Upward for February and 13 companion Wee Willie Winkie, the periodicals edited by Lady Aberdeen and her daughter respectively. It is characteristic both of the readiness with which the countess bas poses to give in the pages of Onvuard and Upward some account of the mission work done by the Presbyterian Church in Canada, both amongst our own people and the ladians. in Canada, both amongst our own people and the lilians.
A story of the U. E. Loyalists, by Miss Machar, $1 ;$ also proA story of The whole number is ot great interest and must be eagerly looked for by its readers from month to month. don.

Rational Memary Trainimg is a little work by B. F. Austip, M.A, B.D , priuc pal ol Alma Ladies' College, St. Thomas. The scope of the work is given on the title page as being "A series of articles on memory, its practical value, its pheno.
nienal powers, its physiological basis, the the methods of improving it, attention, association and arrangement of ideas counsel of dela , ive memory, mnemonics, their use and abuse, etc., etc., with nelps and hints in memorizing figures, lists of words, prose and poetic literature, new languages, etc. A. book on these subjects treated by an educationalisi like Principal Austin could not but be highly useful. The Journal, St. Thomas.
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Tones' Constables Manual, or Jiandy Book is just what its title says it is. It is compiled by J. T. Jones, Hign Constable County of Youk and is now in uts secood editinn. The materials are drawn from the criminal code of 1892.3 ; it contains schedules of fees, crimes and punishments, lie courts and
jurisdiction. The Carswell Company (Limited), 30 Adelaide Jurishiction. The

7he Etude: Theo. Presser, Philadelphia, Pa. This bulky monthiy musical publication gives in its March numbor
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music this time, of four pieces, which, by the way, is always music this time, of four pieces, which, by the way, is always
full size, is unusually altracive; for instance an exquasite piano piece, "Mandolin Sereaade," by C. Bohm.

Whaley. Royce \& Co., Toronto, have just issued these two new preces, The Herald, a march and two-step dance by M.
H . Rosenfeld, is bright, somewhat like Sousa's band-music H. Rosenfeld, is bright, somewhat tike Sonsa's band-music
style and is easy. Marianki, mazurka, hy A. W. Hughes, has a very marked tume, is brihant though quite easy.

The name tells Wee' Willie Winkic is for children. This nue contains a short story by the youthful editor Lady Mar-
joric Gordon, and that would be a dull child indeed who could not enjoy this delifhtful child's magazine. G. Duncan \& Soid Edinburgh. S. W. Partridge \& Co., London.

The Sacrament Surtay is a poem on this subject, shore and pleasant reading to those in sympathy with the thenie, It appears to be modeled on "The C
William. Drysdale \& Co. Montreat.

The Jfamily Circle.
THE TREASURE OF LARKNESS.

$I$ all our lives were one broad glare<br>Of sunlight-ciear, unclouded,<br>By no sof gloom enshrouded.<br>all hie's nowers were tully blow<br>Without the sweet unfolding.<br>And happiness were rudely thrown<br>On hands too weak for holding-<br>Should we not miss the twilight hours<br>The genite haze and sadness?<br>To breat the constan and showers<br>I none were sick, and none were sad<br>What service could we sender<br>think if we were always glad,<br>Dide scarcely could be tende<br>Our patient minstration<br>Earth would grow cold and<br>Earth would grow cold and miss, indeed,<br>If sorrow evever claimed our heart,<br>And every wish were granted,<br>atience would die, and bope depast,<br>Life would be disenchanted<br>And yet, in heaven is no more night.<br>Io heaven is no more sorsow<br>Fresh grace from pain will borrow,<br>As the poor seed that uoderground<br>Seeks its true life alove it,<br>Not knowing what will there be fourd<br>Shen sunbeams kiss and love it<br>So we in daskoess upurard grow And look and lone for heaven,<br>And cannot and lone for heav<br>Till more of light be given -Anen.

A VISIT TO THE WEST INDIES. ST thomas.
We noticed a steamer unloading coal at the wharf, and to watch the dusky figures of hundreds of womea, each with a basket of coal on her head, swarming up the steamers' sides as busy as bees, and running back again emply, to be reflled, is a sad -eflection upon the black-man, who prefers to lounge round and the wife, daughter or mother do the work St. Thomas is a fertile country, but siace slavery was abnlished, nothing has been done in the way of cultivation, hence St. Thomas exports nothing. The land is lying waste. Education is compulsory, and should the young eneration take to the soit, there is a mine of wealth. Alı kınds of trop'cal fruits grow, but want cultivation. In caffee alone, a great trade could be done, but now grows wild. The island is very muuntainous.

Muci amusement was created on board ship by the antics of a nigger, tho pulled out from shore in a very pimative canoe, on the side of which were painted in rude English characters, "In God We Trust." It took some time to decipher the writing. This fel low earned his lwelihood by diving from ofi his canoe into the waler, after pieces of money thrown in by the passengers, and on every occasion he succeeded in fetching the money up, even a three cent piece. He stated there were "sharks down there," 50 feet being the depth ; and sometimes he would altach a rope round his neck to be hauled up should be be attacked.

A visit to the public marker was interest ing, from the fact that although a great crowd congregated, there was little or nothing 10 sel It was certainly the scantiest market we ever aw : a few sweet potatoes, and some scraps of old dried tish

In the harbour lay a French man-of-mar not a very formadable looking craft by any ans.
Afier passing a very pleasant day at this sland, our next place is

SANTA CRUZ OR ST. CROIX,
also Danish. We arrive early in the morning and we have the day to see the island. From the deck of the steamer we aotice it is well caltivated. There is no babout and the ship achors a mile from shure. The usual shilliog is cemanded $t 0$ ferry us 10 land, and as we step ashore re are surrounded by a crowd of black boys, who all want 10 sbow as sound. We could soi get sid of them, and as $上$ walked through the clean streets with the rowd behind us, it looked 25 if Barnam's circus had arrived. One of our parts, bowcaet, struck as idea, which bad ste efiect o dispeling the crowd in a very short tume. He called out in thundering tunes, "Where is mp.revolver ? ${ }^{n}$ at the same time feeling in his pocket. The effect was instantameons;
off they scampered in all directions, but pres ently returned as no revolver appeared. On his island are four churches: English, Moravian, Methodist, Roman Catholic. Compulsory education is in force, and the language prinsipally spoken, like that of St. Thomas, is English. The natives lounge round the coraers of the streets, and niake a great noise as If contmually quarreling with each other, white thers sit ou the sidewalks and shop doors disposing of trifing articies. The purchases hey make at the grocery stores are in the mallest possible quantities. We saw them buy one cent's worth each of sugar, cheese, rice, butter. Just enough to do one meal at a time. These articles are luxuries, for the bulk of the natives live on rice and some artive fruits. Ws five cents they could live comfortably a day. They are civil and oblig ing, and always ready to be at your service.

Boys and girls from 12 years up are anxious to leave home to go to America. They pleaded with us to take them. Their idea of America is that it is a "land of milk and honey." The general rate of wages paid youths from 12 and upwards, is nine cents 2 day in the sugar estates: and men twenty cents, and have to work hard, late and early for their paltry sum. The Moravian Church is the aggressive one here, and the caste feel ing runs bigh. The style of houses are all Danisb, and curious looking to a Canadian. In front of each dwelling and store are large heavy stone pillars, which exclude almost entirely the light. The stores open on Sundays from seven ull mioe 2 m , then close utl three p.m., after which they open and business resumes as on ordinary days.

The name of the capital is Christiansicad; population seven thousand; rine-tenths benig colored. In conversation with some of the young boys and girls, they seem to possess a farr knowledge of the Bible. One young fellow of whom 1 asked the question, "Where is Heaven," answered promptly, "It is a p'ace of rest." For many years this island was famed for its salubrious climate, but lately has falten into disrepute. Within the last few years an insurrection occurres, during which the principal hotel was burned and never rebult. The total population of the island is 42,000. The drives round the country are interesting. The roads are good and lined with cocoa nut and palm trees. Thes export bay sum, limes, sugar. The size is 84 square miles, almost all cultivated. In going along one of the thoroughfares, we were sarprised to hear Scoich airs well played in one of the residences, and on enquiry we ascertained that a Scotchman named St. Clair arrived there some twenty years ago, and it was his daughter who played such refreshing alrs in a far-off country. Our stay of six hours was up, and our good capiain. Seely signalled us on board. We left Sania Cruz much pleased with our visit

ST. CHRISTOPHER OR ST. RITTS.
We arrived here this morning from Santa Croz. In approaching the island we were struck bith its beauty and ferthlity; in fact, this is the finest island we have yet seed, as well as the healthiest and most pleasant. It is mountainous-said to be volcanic erup-tions-but from the water's edge up the gentle slopes and intervening plateaus, the sugar cans is extensively cultivated. The higher slopes of the mountains are clothed with grass, while the tops are crowded with forests of noyean, or irob-wnod, ash, snake-mood, white-box etc. The capital, Basseterra, lies in a valley at ibe foot of Monkey Hill, 2,000 feet high, and shaped like anegg. Some twelve years ago a great water-spout occorred on the top of this bill. The water swept down tearing its sides 1010 gorges, and demolisbing half the town, over seven bundied people losing their hives. So suddenly did the calastrophe occar that 10 one case a family sutung round the table, with lighted lamp, were carried, hoase and all, into the sea and drowned. As asual, we anchor one mule fuum shore, the fare of one shilligg being charged for going ashore. The population of the town is 10,000 , nine-icnths berig colored. The island belongs to Eog: land, bivnag been ceded to bet in 1667 , with all the other Leeward Islands. Dariag the French revalution it kias captured, but was recapioredia 1783-

The priccipal prodactions are tobzoco soght, molessei rum, airowroct, coffas,
cocoa, etc. In fact, almost all tropical fruits and trees prosper here. Calle and sheep are raised-salt produced. The population of the island is 44,000 ; size, 153 square miles, principally all productive. Monkeys are plentiful, but difficult to catch, so the native pays little attention to them, although they generally command a good price. There are 135 sugar estates on the island, some of the proprietors being immensely wealthy, but almost all bachelors. The orignal name of the islan: was Liamniga, or the Fertile Land, and, from its present appearance, is well named. The people live happily and contented, but the caste feeling runs higher here than in any of the other islands, and interferes generally with the prog. ress of the gospel. There are three churches, Episcopalian, Wesleyan Methodist and Mora. vian. The first is called the tony church, the white people only admitted 10 its mermbership. The Methodists come next, with the light colored people, and the Moravians take the balance of the black people or niggers. The English Church do not recogaize either of the other two churches, but the Methodist and Moravian ministers are friendly. We had the pleasure of inspecting the Moravian dayschool; a large airy building built on the grounds of the church, as also the manse. The day-school is under the charge of the minister, Rev. Dr. Howard, assisted by native teachers. The day-school generally numbers 600 , and the congregation 1,000 . There is also a large Sabbath school, and no Presby tertan Cburch. When we entered the day school about $9.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$., all the classes were at Bible study, the lesson being the first chapter of Genesis. It was pleasing to note how atteative all the various classes were, and with what readiness they answered. Lately a large addition was made to the school at the minister's expense. The church, which is a plain bandsome building, has also lately been renovated. On the side of tie charch we noticed a tablet in memory of those who los their lives in the water-spout already mentioned. We were much interested in the work done here by the energetic pastor. He is certainly a hard worker, and shows gitat results, if the answers and general appearance of the childrea go for anything. His people are despised and downtrodden, but they show evidence of real Christian life, notwithstanding. There are many things this live and faithful pastor requires in his work, but for want of funds cannot get them. Oh, if the toys and girls in Canada only realized how much these poor children need, I am sure quite a sum could be collected and sent as missionar money to this dear pastor and his colored people.

Their form of worship is the same as ours and the chidren are taught the same lessons every Sabbath as ours, and practically i conld not see any difierence. Mr. Howard is as sisted by a fathfal wife who endures considable for the work's sake. They live on very litule, every cent they get goes into the work. Last week while driving out in the conotry his buggy (an old one) got broken atd he told me it would cost $£ 20$, or $\$ 80$ to get it mended in St. Kitts, as everything is so dear. It mas scarcely worth mending; I told him not to get it mended now and I would see what the Sabbath schools of the Presbyterian Charch in Canada mould do towards sending him a new buggy from Canada. Wath tears in his eyes be thanked me. Need I appeal further. Send in, dear children, your mites to the Editor of the Presbyteriani, who will act as treasare for this zoble cause. There are Presbyterian families here, but he looks after them as our church has no one to look after them unless he docs. I also promised Mrs. Hioward to send ter some crockery, for they have very litle and the cost to parchase 500 great in St . Kitts. Just shink : a minister with 1,000 of a membership in church, 500 of a Sabbath school, 600 of a day school and his congrega tron scattered all over the istand. Does he not deserve a good, new buggy from the Presbyterians of Canada.

We were driven oat io see a sugar estate to foll operation; over $j 00 \mathrm{men}$, women and boys were employed. We were mech interested in the varnous processes of mavafactore of sugar from the suggar cane, from the tizite the crase was carted into the mill, uatil the sugar packed in barrele whe randy for zhipmopt:

Then, again, the way in which molasses is made and finally the manufacture of rum, all made from the extract of the sugar cane. It is interesting $t 0$ note that the rum is made from the sefuse of the sugar and molasses, the scrapings which drop upon the floor and over which hundreds of feet have trod, all scraped and thrown into a pan and finally after various processes the rum conies forth to destroy the minds and souls of thousands. The country bbounds in cocoanut trees. All along the sides of the road are rows of this beautiful tree. The native boys climb up lil e squirrels and throw them down, no easy ta:k, as there are no branches to hoid on to. Some trees are very lofty, with nothing but the bare trunk.

We visited the Governor's bouse and grounds and had some calabash puts given us, which we prized very much. The public gardens are beaatiful and well worth visitpg. The Government is now laying•out grounds for botanical purposes, and phen completed will excel anything in the West Indies.

Some of the black people live in huts made of bamboo and thatched with paim branches; there is no "but and ben," just one room, and io many instances four or five in a family.
(To be continued.)

## THE ART OF CONVERSATION.

Another thing which has gone out of fashion is the art of conversation. It has of late years been so neglected that it is the rarest chance to meet with a young man who can converse at all in the real sense of the word. Among his own set he can babble about mutual acquaint ances, the new stoger, the next race, or the last scadal. But throw him among strangers and he is silent and dull, perbaps makng short remarks in a jerky and confused manner, but certainly betraying oo intelligent in terest if a new discovery be mentioned, a piece of important political news told, or some information given about a subject of real value. As a consequence be is not only bared, but he shows it, because he has never cultivated that polite iaterest in his fellow-creat ures which would enable bim to respond sympathetically. One of the old Frencb roblesse was lately heard to remark that when he first went into society bis father used to im press upon his mind that at a party he was bound to insure its success so far as he was individually conceraed. To make himself agreeable was a duty not to be neglected without a grave breach of courtesy bath to the guests and the fruends who invited him. In a modern gathering no such antiquated sentimeut would find a disciple. Young people if they do not meet some oure to flist with, will ostentatiously proclam their boredom, and would stare in astonishment if it were suggested that at a friend's house it was the duty to wards the bostess to pay attention to those who seemneglected or who found themselves among strangers. To hint that old ladies and ugly girls should bave a little share of consideration would be to subject oneself to the charge of being old-fasbioned.

## ONE WHO BEAKES HER OIFN WAY.

1 speculate much on the existence of anmarried and never-to-be married women now adays; and I have already come to the point of considering that there is no more respect able character on carth than an unmarried wo mad, whomakes her own may through life quie:ly, perseveriagly, nithout support of basband or brother; and who retains in her possession a well-regulated mind, a disposition to enjoy simple pleasure, and fortitede so sapporz inevitable pains, sympathy with the sufferiogs of others, and willingoess to relieve want as fas as the means cextend.

## Interiot: Finally, the churches are show

 tag anew that they are the best friends of the workingman, and that, all criticisms of Ms:
## Our Woung JFolks.

## A LITTLE GENTLEMAN.

His cap is old, but his hair is gold,
And his face as clear as the styy;
Aad whoever he meets, in lanes or streets,
IIf looks him straight in the eye
With a fearless pride that has naught so hide
Though he bows like a littie knight,
Quite debonair, to a Indy farr,
Does his mother call ? No kite or ball.
Or the prelliest game can stay
His eager feet as he hastes to gree
Whatever she means to say
And the teachers depend on this little friend
At school in his place at aine.
All ready to toc the line.
I wonder if you have seen him to
This boy, who is not too bug
For a mornsag kiss from mother and sis,
But genile and strong, and the whole day long As merry as boy can be;
A genteman, dears, in coming year
And at present the boy for me.

## FLASH, THE FIREMAN.

## CHAPTER 1

A STIR IN GOLDSMITH'S ROW.
They drigk at all tumes, take at cold or hot, When they're in thouble, and when they are not,
When they're in health. or when sickness briags Distress aud woe upon ats shadowy miogs; A: marrage, birth, or death, when triends they meet,
Or partings sore, they wend their willing feet To where the dink-fiend pladly gieets with smiles
And hides his parpose fell with glaterng wiles."
${ }^{\text {' Oh ! oh ! oh my! Just look at that Ted ! }}$ 1 declare he'll have his heels through that looking glass in a moment. Well there 1 he only just missed dong it. I do believe beys must de among the plagues that ought to have been mentioned in the Bible, only they were forgotten. I'd sooner bave forty girls than four boys.
As Mrs. Foster spole she made a feint of striking the boy who nad given her such a scare, and had caused the above apocryphal assertion.
The delınquent was a merry-faced lad of about fifteen, who, in an excess of joy and excitement, had suddenly stood upon has head on a chatr-seat in such close proximity to the mantelpiece and the large mirror above it, that at one moment bis heels were certainly near enough the latter to endanger its salety.

If the truth must be told, all the occupants of that room were cons:derably excuted at the aews whicn has just been received. The company consisted of Mirs. Fosier; Ted the urrepressible, who bas already introduced himself to the reader heels uppermost; another lad about seventeen, Hedley by name; and "Latle Patty," as she was as. vally called.
Poor Pally was nearly nineteen years old, but certanaly did not look more than thirteen. Stie did not come up above Ted's shoulder her figure was sadly, strangely twisted; her bead was always on one side, and so deeply sanken tnto her shoulders that she seemed as fse had no neck at all. Rut her face what a rare face to was 1 Oiten people would turn to look at it as they passed her. It was almags white, and there was an cipression upon it which arrested attemion. Her skia was singularly fine, and shone almost libe wax. \#er sad, paic features were as perfectly classical as if they had been cast in some lovely mould. And mang a high-born lady would bave pledged her jewels for such a bead of bair as Pauty's. It was a glossy black, with a beautiful natural wave in it. Yel, wuth all her beanty of face and head, there was aiways an indesenbabie cirop about her. She seemed to have to cirag ber poor, inisted body about; and an almost scitled look of melancholy rested apon the girl.
Bur the reader mast pardon us for keeping him so long wallug to seard the cause of this soddea demonsiration of joy ta the family of the Fosters, of which we bave spokico. Jost as they bad finsted dinacr, the postrann had brought a letier, ahich, 25 it is short and explains all, fee had bener give in tull $=$ -

- Portsmouth, Xixopday iNight.
- Dear cid Mam, -
"Tarn out the porard Ran op. the buatiog! Get the guns loaded for $\&$ salute

Clean wood and brass-woris 1 Scrub decks All hands rig in their best togs 1 In fact, do everything you can think of to mark the horse-pitch-us occasion, as the boys said pond.
"Then if any one asks you what all the stir means, just say that I'm done with the navy, and that $I$ shall be home on Wednes day night by the 8.22 train at Waterloo. Xes, I'm glad to say my ten years are up. shall now be a free man. I have quite decid ed on my future; and, if I can succeed in passing, I shall join the Fire Brigade. I have saved out of my 'compo.' about $£ 20$, and shall have nearly another $£ 20$ to uraw; so that we can all bave a bit oa a spree when come. Ol course some of you will meet that train at Waterloo? How is my dear little Patty? If she is well enough, be sure to
bring her; only I won's have her walk. If bring her; only, won thaves don't her walk. if for her sake. So long 1-till Wednesday.
"Your own dear boy,
"P.S.-I have written to Tilly to meet me." Yes, this was the cause of all the sudden excitement : 'Flash' was coming home !
Harry Foster had always been the joy and pride of the whole family. When he was only four years old he had received. 'Flash' as a pel name; because, as his fond father said, he was 'like a flash of sunshine.' And ever siace, under all circumstances, be had truly betn 'Flash;' for he had brought sunshine to them ail. He had received a fair amount of education; but beguiled by the exaggerated descriptions of the sailor's life, given in various penny books for boys that he had borrowed or bought-many of them full of priated lies-he bad taken the sea craze and, when fifteen years old, had joined the Royal navy. In accordance with the general rule, he bad served ten years afier he was eighteen : and now, on the completion of this term, at twenty-eight years of age he claimed his discharge.
It was an excited party that stood waiting upon the Waterloo platiorm on the Wednesday evening. Besides the four members of the Foster tamily already introduced to the reader, there was a tall, tarr girl- the 'Tilly' referred to in tae pustscript of the letter. She had a nice, fresh farr face, which just then was very bright wht 2 lowing expectancy; but it could not be said that there was anything striking in her teatures. Sull she was a giri who woutd command some attention; for she was tall, bad a well-mıle ugure, and possessed that indefinable air which we call ladylike. She dressed, t00, with great :aste; and it was only when she sp ske that a stranger would have discovered the class of society to which she belonged.
We need haraly explain that Tilly was engaged to Flash; and it was doubiless, in the first place, the natural tendency to love what he loved which drew her to the sad-faced sister of her lover. Be that as it may, there was a singulariy strong bund of affection between Tilly and poor, deformed Patty, whem she bad daily come to love more and more for her own sake.
At last the train rushes into the station, slows ap, stops; and the lively vorce of Ted shours, 'Come on, all of you; here he is, here he is?

How they do rasb aloag that platorm! And we dare not attempt to record all the collisions made with the stream of passengers who, baving alighted, are burrying away in the opposite direction to our party.
There are one or tro points in the greeting of Flash, which, as we watch him, cause us instiaetively to thork well of him. As he. mets the group, though hetakes Tilly's hand as well as his moiber's, be lisses bis motber first. Toen, while he raispers loving words :o Tilly as be kirses her, his eges are secking the pale face ot has deformed sister. one arm is presently pat arenod her, and she comes in for the next embrace.
Atter bis greetiags to his two brothers were over, he said, 'Well now, I most slip it a minate. I goessithey have broke hold and are discharging carge, so i must look slippy or I'll lose the run'of some of imy tackie.'
The porters all know a - Romizward bournd Jack,' and one of them_now came formard with the inquiry, 'Anp laggage, sir 子'
'Ay, ay 1 my dandy $\{$ Pales of 1 l . mat's hanc, he poisted ootithe packages; 2ad
bade him get them collected together, so to be ready for placing in a cab when, as Flash put it, 'we've had a wet.'

A minale or two later the whole party were outside the station and filling the tiny square of a public-house bar compartment marked 'Private.' Everybody seemed to be talking at once, and the smiling barmaid had to wait a moment or two before she could take the order.

- D'yc'r, master Ted, hold yer jaw a minute. I declare a fellow can't hear himself speak while you keep that mouth of yours open, and your tongue a-wagging nincteen to the dozen,' said Flash.
Ted laughed at this sally, and was on the point of making sume reply, when Flash. bowing with mock deierence, continued 'Mouth, did I say? I beg your pardon, sir it is something more than a mouth; why, if you only bung out a notice, 'To Let,' some body would be sure to take it for a music hall or a mission hall.'
Even the bar-maid laughed at this some what broad humour. Stopping abruptly, Flash said to her, 'I beg your pardon for keeping you so long; then, turning to the group he said, 'Now, mother, what are you going to have ?-a drop of brandy, eh ?"
' No, thank you, Flash; l'd rather have a drop of good gio.'
'Right you are, old daisy picker, so you shall!' Then, addressing humself to the barmaid, he said, 'A quartern of the best white satin, please, for the bes: mother as ever welcomed home a sailor boy from sea.
Having coased Tilly to take some sherry and lemonade, he gave this second order to the smiling attendant, saying, with an odd mixture of assumed gravity and rougb humour,-

That's for my young lady bere : of course you are very sorry she is; but, then you see, 1 couldn' help it. I saw her befure 1 did you.
Accustomed to chaff of a lower and much coarserkind than this, the barmaid took all in good part; and semarked, laughingly, as she handed Tily her 'mxture.'-

He is not a bad sort, is he? So I'llilet you have your bargan, and I'll watt till some one else comes alung.
Nothing woul. tempt Pally to do more than just sip a litile of the sherry and lemonade from Tilly's glass. Flash himself took rum shrub; Ted and his brother, a pol of stout; and very soon time, place-all were forgotten as they drank and talked.
An hour later they crossed again to the station for the luggage, Flash declaring he hatl got 'stu'n' sails set both sides, as be saled along-rather unsecadily, it is truewith Tilly on one arm, and Palty on the otiner. Mrs. Foster, who was now very talkative, followed between her two other boys.
It was quite evident that one cab would not take them all, with the luggage; so, having seen his mother, Patty, and the two boys safely mside a 'tour-wheeler,' and the lug. gare piled on the top, Flash and Tilly stepped into a hansom, and the procession started.
'Where to, sir ?' inquired the driver of the tansom.

Goldsmith's RGw, Fiackney Road 1 Have a cigar, cabby?" replied our hero, handing a couple of tour-penny Havanas through the call-flap to the driver.
Heavy with the stimulants taken, and rock. ed by the roll of the cab, Tilly and Flash nere soon fast asleep.
This 'welcome home' had been carried out very moderatels-very mildly, as zbings go at such times-by the discharged sailor It is true we bave belo our ped and our thoughts in tight rein, that nothing might cater this namative that monld annecessarily hurs or offend any who might read it ; but we should bave been false to our principles and to out subiect if we bad not shown just a finte of the folly, and worse shan folly, of drink's doings on such an occasion as this
No pen dare record-no publisher dare send forth the real story of all the abominatoons that bave sometimes characterized the bome-coming of 'Britist tars,' when Driale and his attendant demons have been allowed foll smap.

Who can tell the power ajod blessing that
those loving-hearied nomen hare been add
are, who seek, by 'Strangers' Rests' and 'Sailors' Homes,' to prevent such scenes as these? They have taught our land thatSoldiers and sailors may be led to think Their deadliest foe, in war or peace, is Drink: The social bane ; the moral blight; the curse That palsies discipline, the fatal ourse Ol c-ifle, its prumpter, that dishonor brings To men of honor, faithful, loyal, true, Vorthy of trest and faith in other things.
(To be continued.)

## THE SCIENCE OF MEDICJNE.

## WUNHHFlt. AWANCKS mabk in the last

Mr. John McGovern of Toronto Kelates an Experience of Deep Intereat-Citerly Melplens and Sufferod Greatlv Before Relief Came.

## From the Turonto Glulee.

Verv hitter heard by the general public of the $r$. $t$ discoveries in medicine, and the countles: cores of lives that are saved by the adrancmis knowledge of medical scionce. People who a fow years agu were left to drag out a miserable existence as hopeless invalids, or helpless cripples, are now, thanks in the advances medicine hats made, restored to the fuluess of hoalth and strength. Mr. John MeGovarn, who residus at No. 2 Alpha avenue, in this city, has grod cause to appreciate the truth of the above statements. Mr. Mchov ern was formerly an agent for agriculturs implements, and is well known in different parts of Ontario. A Glube repurter whe had heard that he had been restured twhealth, after an il!ness which threatencd to leave him hopeless cripple, called upun hia at his resi dence recently, and was given the folluming interesting account of his case.-

My truuble first began," sand Mr. MeGovern, "two ycars ago when I was hwing in the Village of Bulton, in the County of Peel. The trouble was all in my clibors and knees, and the doctors thought $1 t$ was rheumatism. I couldn't walk a block without ranting to sit work. It afficted me terribly. I मas all right in uther ways but fur this terrible weakness in uther ways but for this terribio weakness. For a year and as half leufeled frian than, but my shecr force of will held out agamst it, and hroke doun completely, and had to give up my business. I then remored to Toronto, and for three months after this I was in terrible shape. 1 fas almost alisags confined to my bed, beiar able to cume durn atairs for atitule while. perinaps once a diay. 1 suffered all the time from aterrible soreness in the joints, and at this juncture my mphtite began to fail, and 1 was only able to eat the lightest food, and not much of that 1 could find nothing to help. tne os give me relicf. All this time 1 was unabje to do anything, and hadi I not fortunately had a litule noney laid by which enabled me to go on, I wuuld have been dependent upon my famly for suphort. Well, while I was in thus te:mble shape, my eldest son prerailed upun the to try Ifr. Wilhams' Pink Yills, nna carly in last July I began to use them, and I tow them steadily duing that month ind tho two following months. Before the first box was finmhed 1 bexan to jei relief, and from that unt I stendily mimored until i was able to discuntimue the uso of the Pink Eills, fecling that I vas fully restored to health. I am sntisficd in my orin mind that had it not been for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I Kould hare stilk been helpless and suffering, and I have much reasun to be thankinl tha! my son persuadod me to use them. Thanks to Pink Pills I sm now an new man snd intend soon to rosumomy work.

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The trelfith annual mectung of the sbor Company was hold on the Gith inst, and a in ist favourable report was prescnted to the share
hulders by the presudent, Janes H . Heatty nud the directers. Darng the h.st s ear 1,366 appr. ${ }^{2}$ ad applicstions all consudered anost satisfactu Were recelsed for msurance to the amount en
$\$ 2,116.633$. The premiuns and interent ecelpts for the yen how an macrease orer las year of 545 , Gil which, with an increase of nssets also amounting to Sins, SS1, make a most farorable shumang. The surylus orer all linbilizics held as security for policy holders is
SiOt,141. The Company has entered upon the ocecipancy of ner oftices of a rery desimble kind ubtaned un must faturable terms. Aitu-
gether the outlouk of this Company under the gether the outlouk of this compans under the re-elected, and $a_{\mathrm{g}} \mathrm{c}$ its. as rery promisang.

A piano made for Napoleon in 1810 has been uncarthed in Lonilon. In shape it is n grand with sircer kefs and there are fre ped. and were presumably =dded in comphment to the military tastes of the Emperar.
afternoun tea.
The popular thing aow-a-days in the better classes of society. is for the lidy to recelve her While usually tea is dispensed at ono end of the table, whe indien tenssbic srticle is Chocolate, usuilly of that better grade called "O Vanilla
Chocolate." For ycars mine Ohi Worla, Chocolato has been recornized as indispensablo with lonch after crening partues rnd :nay be partak. en of by delicate ladics immediately before retining. This in some measure account for the enormons productinn of Menicr Aleniere:

Boakts, birds, and insects, even to the minutest and mesnest of chcir kind, net rith tho userring providence of instinct; man, tho Hhile, who prososeor a highor iacoltr, abusos
it, and chorciore goes blundering on.-

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The Rev. S. Acheion. M A., of Toronto, has The Rer. S. Achens call io Wiortot
The Rev. L. Perrin, of Pickering, has been called
6 rgetown and bas accepted the call
First Church IBrantford, has given a very unani
mous call to Rev. R. H. Abraham, of Burlington.
Juige Stevens lectured recently in the lecture oum of St. Andrew's Church. $S$. Joha, N.B., on his impressions on the World's Fair.
The third annual cunvention of Christian Endeavorers in the Territorics will be held in Moosomin
on Easter Sunday and Monday, March 25 and 26 .
The enngregation of Manitowaning, under the pastoral charge of Rev. John Rennie, beld their annual tea meeting on March 2nd, at which the
choir from Little Current assisted. Proceeds $\$ 50$.
A company of the Boys' Bugade has been organized in conaection with the Glenboro, Manitoba,
Presb, tensm Church, the Rev. A. McD. Haig, Presbites
Captain.
At the first communion of the new pastor, Rev. R. Wm Koss, M.A., in the Giencoe Presbyterian Church on March qih, 26 pembers wete added to
the roll, 24 by profission of faith and two by certi the rol
ficste.
At the last communion in the Waterloo Preshyterian Church fourteen were added to the roll. Kev. MeNair, B.A., who was only recenlly placed
over the congregation, has already endeared himself over the
to all.
Rev. R. S. M. Glassford. Chalmers Church Cuelph. is delivering a series of lectures on "Why
$I \mathrm{~mm}$ a Presbyterian." He has been able to thor1 am a Presbyterian." He has been able to thor-
oughly interest the young people of the congregation oughly interes
in the subject.
The Kev. Dr. Sexton bas declined the call secentIf sent to him from a church in Ohio and will consequently remain in Canada during the next iew
munths. He has quite recovered from his fractured munths. He has quite recovered from his fractured
siband is again at work. preaching, lecturing and siband is
writing.
The annirersary eatertainment of the Suncay School childrea of Knox Chureh, Hamilton, is al. ways an interesting eveot. It was beld in the lespite the disagreesble condition of the weather. lespicie the diss greesble condi ion of he weather. chair, and a programme of thry $y$-two numbers was presented by the children under the direction of Prof. Johnson.
The congregations of Bapfield and Bethany have extended a uaznimous call to the Rev. J R. graduate of Edinburgh Unoversity asd reccired the creater part of his training at the New College. After a year of rery successful work at Chilliwzek. B.C., during which a new church mas built by his
exertions, he fanshed his curriculum at Knox exertors,
Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, paid a visit to Ner Lowell on Monday Feb. 19, axd preached in
Marykirk in the crening. The sermon was very Marykurk in the crening. The sermon tras very
highy appreciated and held the congregation in high'y appreciated and held the congregation in
cluwe, atiention for nearly an hour. At the close the cluse, atiention for nearly an hoar. At the elose the
Doctor mored the hearts of the people deeply by cuaching selerence to the suiden death of Brr. Leishmans minle gint which took place about turec
uceks prerious, a bright litle suabeam dramn ap to the bosom of the Sun of Righteorsoess.
Uoder the auspices of the Gavld Mission Band very interesing and mpressire address was given bs Rev. R. P. MincFay, F. M. S., on Tharsdas creming, March Sib. in the Allandale Presbylerian
Charch. Colonel Major, of Barric. presided and rpoke of his life and conversion in India wihere he xpoke of his life 2nd conversion in india where he
sered ia the Bntush army for thary tyears. Missycnary selections were sung by Alrs. Cooper, Miss
Fhillips and the childen of the Band. The collection of the creming amornted to $\$ 22$ whith are ceroted to the fonds of the W. F. M. S.
A tea and entertaioment under the auspices of the Alamaning Board, was beld in the Presbrictian Cnarch, Flesherion, on the erening of ibe ajrd alt., ander the presidency of the reaial pasinea ranted procramme मes coatribated. Kev. Dr. Waites, of Oncn eied an ins:ructive address which $w a s$ lisicoed 10 with close zitemion throaghout. The Rem Doctor's risise to Flesherton heve been 2 distipet plessare to those interested io the church. The choir admirabis coniributed their qecta to the erening's enjogment.
The amaircrsary services of Kiox Church, Milltrank were held oa the 25th Feb. The Rer. J. A. suornson. A1.A., of Listoxel, was the preacher,
the Ker W. M. McKibbin exehanging palpits with him lor the riap. The next erening a rery plearant and sececrufol tea meeting:ook place. Good masic was rendesed by sbe choir of Alrood Presbyerian Charch, interspersed with addreases by Hev. Messis. Cameron, Kaj, Mendersoa. Leitch, Tally
and 3 Inrrison, members of Siralford Presbriery and by the Rev. Mr. Ganne, Episcopalian. The toial ocee
The Rer. R. P. Mckis, Mr.A., F. 3I. S., condicted anaireramy seavices lately at Cburchill. His sermons were bighly cajojable and profitable.
Tlic charch was filed to its atmosi capacity at both Tlic charch was filed to its atmost capacity at both
serices Io the eveniag mancy siond threughoot the service. The proceeds of services amombicd 10 \$175. Hians were laid at the anaual meetiag whe entire debi on the nery cberch. Fiping ocatriso names were added to the commanion roll darian 1S93. The joung people conarected rith ite norib brauch of the Cherchill congregation iately preachecd their pasios, Rev. J. A. Rosfi with a magnificen
robe blankes, zecompanici with an uddreas, to


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wel, were held on Sunday and Monday Feb. It
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Church. Toronto, preached an eloquent sermon on
Church. Toronto, preached an eloquent sermon on
"The Power of the Spirit." In the evening the "The Power of the Spirit." In the evening the
large chureh was filled to the doors when an able thangelical discourse was given. Those who brave
the elements on Monday evening were repaid by an exposition in clear and eloquent terms in a lec ture by the Rev. Doctor on the Latler Day Glory of the place of the Jews in prophecy and the teach ings of the scriptures as to the Messiah.
The anniversary services of Knox Church, Clifford, were held on Sabbaih, 18th Feb. The Rev. R. J and addressed the Sunday School in the afternoon. The sermons were able, appropiate and impressive. A social was held on the Monday evening at which instrucive addresses wire delivered by Messrs appropriate music. On the Friday evening with appropiate music. On the Friday evening there At the cloce prizer and Presbyterial certumentes were presented for repeatiog the eatechism. were presented for repeallog the catechism
All the meelings were profitable as well as enjoyable Rev. T G. Smith, D.D., general secretary for Queen's University, lecturce in the Presbyteria
Cherch, Bhackstock, on the evenine of March Iis subject was, "The Boys I Knew. treating 31 , the Doctor showed bimself possessed of very remarkab'e imaginative and descnptive powers Life among the lowly in Scotland, forty or filly years afo, was depicted in a masterly manner, and
from the erinding poverty that there and then pre from the grinding poverty that there and then pre-
vailed, Dr. Smith showed that some of the boys he railed, Dr. Smith showed that some of the boys he
knew, rose, through sheer force of character and knew, rose, through sheer force of character mad
their thirst for knowledge, to positions of eminent usefulaess. The lecture is a capital one, and must of necessity please the most exacting audience.

The Rer. Pridespal Caven, J.D. of Knox
 being a communico seryice, ite Doctor appropri zely addressed the coggreration from : Corpropri Two main points trere spokeo to-(1) The fact proclaimed and (z) The manner of proclamation. The discourse was much appteciated by the large congregation present. The session received into
full communion eighteen new members, thus making 2 present total of 535 ; of these, 83 have been added since the induction of Ref. R. J. M. Glassford, tea months 2go. Steps are beiar takea 10 secure 10 a neces!ty.
On Friday ereding last. 16th inst.. a most pleasant social gathering was held in St. Padis
Church, of this cily. Tbe congregation deChurch, of this cily. Tbe congregation de-
siring to show their appreciation of their pastor:s decision to remain among them, had prepured a sur pise for him and his wife in the form of a handsome walnut study desk. Mir. Greig one of the session, acted as chairman and made the presenta ind. Mir Martin acceped the gift with a fem hards expressive of the decp attachmeat felt by himself and wife for the congregation which they
had seen grow up frum its very ioception. Rer. had seen grow up frura its very ioception. Rev.
Wra. Barns also gave an earnest and stimulating Wm. Batns also gave an earnest and slimulating
address. The outlonk in this young congrepation adtress. hopeful
The Chiacse attending the Psesbyterian schoo conducted in the Columbia block, Columbia avenue Vancuuras. O. Cis invited their teschers and friends to a repast on Friday ercang and had rables beau of the season. Brict addruses all the kood hang the supper by Rems. E. D. McLaren. G. R. Alsxconlian, J. M. Macleod and others, comment whom the govd work accomplished was adduon to the Chinese. The latleris 2 ppreciation of the eflort that is beigg adranced in their behal was attested by the bountifol meal. The sehcol is conducted and taught by the combined C. E. soctet:es of the Paesbyletas churches.
The ladies of Fern Arease held a most eajojable concert ant rery successial sale of work in the
Missonic Hall. Parkdale, on Friday creding. Prof. Johnsion, of Hamiloon, and his fieceds pronided the C-ncert. Mr. Joins:on's rendering of "Avld Joha pitice ol admissior in itself, and crery nomber os the promamme was cood. Those takiog pert wero Mis Jobn Alexander, Mr. Beecroft and Miss Beecroft, Mlis Emily E. Watkins and Mr. ]. Parnel Morris, to whom is dae the credit of arranging the the lonk intermission the iadies disposed of almos all the arrieles displayed for sale. Alt nere highly pleased with the entertainoucat, ani 2 good sum was getied tomards the fernishing of the new
churet, which this strugeling compregation has in view. Messrs Gourlay, Wiater, and Leeming sen roome for the occavion.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONA゙L MEET INGS.
The zoucal meeting of St. Asdrem's Charch der Westminster. B. C. Was beld on Thersing january 2sin. Nucs derotosal cxcriks, Rev Very satisfactory and encouracior reporte bere read from the ratious piganizatioss cononeted fith the congrezation-the Sexsinn, Sabbath School Ladici Aid, Y. P. S. C. E., Baildiag Commiliee and the managers. There Fere raised for misfion ior all porposes $\$ 4.958$. Wheo she herd times and great scarcity of rooncy are coasidered the amosi reised mas gratifying, and the congiegation felt en corraged.

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the various plans discussed for carrying on that of the present year. After Kev M Macgillivray, the pastor, conducted devolional exercises, he read
the Session and Sabliath Scho I reports, and boib howed substantial and gentilying results. The Sunday School had bern growing steadily in numbers, and valoable improsements had been made in the library and infant class room. There was 2 $F$ M. S. and work. The are doing indispensable and excellem uvilding debt. and hopes to reduce it by at least a thousand dollars a year The Young People's
Socity and choir were spoken of in terms of full Socin ty and chrir were spoken of in terms of full appreciation. The trustees, while reporung a sub
siantial increase in the ordinary revenue of the conrepation, asked for yet a linte more of the cooand means" in orde that that the ordione "ans without special extra effort, might balance the ex cenditure. Their management was heartly com mended, and the opinion was unanimous that the should be cordially supported in their important de partment of work

The andual meeting of the Listowel Presbyteria Church beld on 26th January, was a successrul on additions to tee membership roll report showed the purgation of the roll, a iotal of 349 . The at endance upon the means of grace has been well bhowed total net receip s during the year $\$ 2,672$ rep Plate collections and pew renis showed respecurel again ol $\$ 183$ and $\$ 340$ over previous years. The hoilding Fund treasnice seported 5130 paid in dr ing the je2r. The treasurer of the Special Fend for reducing the debt by about $\$ 1,0002$ year. re forted the scheme ioaugurated about Novernber at lasis The Sabali Schoni fopor showed a good inerease
 39 The Bible Class, conducted by the Rev. Mr. norison, the pasior, sbored the largest single 20 cadance 110, average attendance 6r, arerage co erasure $\$ 1 \mathrm{O}_{4}$ The Ladies Aid secretary and W. $F M \mathrm{M} S$. teport showed 563.59 having bee sent :o the General Fund. A Missiun Band in cod arction with the F. M. S. reported member hyp 27, and collections $\$ 3.79$. The Y. P. C. A Amoant collected shows tuting the sear $\$ \$ 7.94$. The Elmant and Wallace Auxiluars of the Y. Y. F. C. A Erganized $=$ bint 2 year ago reported 42 on the roll and $\$$ II 24 collected. One of its active members


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Boware of Sobetitutor and Imitations
precented its repart to the effect that they had sup. plied all music snd anthem books for over five years and sill bad on hand $\$ 42.58$. To sum up, the standiag of the congregation showed about
$\$ 4.200$
net collected
from all sources, of which $\$ 4,200$ net collected from all sources, of which
$\$ 283$ was devoted to missions. The assets over all $\$ 283$ was devoted to missions. The assets over ail
liabilities show over $\$ 11,300$ and fully $\$ 1,000$ in betler shape than a year ago.

The annual meeting of the Vankleek Hill congrecation way held in the church on the evening of ever known in the congregation, every family being largely represented. At an earily hour the church was packed, and quite a number were lorced to turn away and forego the pleasure of an eveniog in
connection with the business of the church. The connection with the business of the church. The
hour for opening having arrived, Rev. lohn Machour for opening having arrived, Rev. Iohn Mac-
Leod, B.A., he pastor, gave out the tooth Psalm. Leod, B.A., the pastor, gave out the 100 h Pralm.
The several repots were called for and given to the The several repotis were callet dor nad given to the
raceting. The Session reported a good work done and an addition of fify fluree new members to the communion roll ; stipend treasurer reported $\$ 1,200$ pald 10 paslor and a balance on hand, 10 schemes of our church and benevolent objects $\$ 300$; financial treasurer reported $\$ 1800$ expended for
concrestional purposes-in all $\$ 3, \$ 00$, being about congreg, tional purposes- 1 n all $\$ 3 . \$ 00$, being about
$\$ \mathrm{r} .500$ in excess of any previous gear. Special at\$1. 500 in excess of any previous year. Special at-
tentlon was drawn to the interest taken in the veckly prajer meetungs, Y. P.S. C. E., snd Sabbath School, as well as the usual Saboah services. athering was held of so enioyable a kind that it as zesolved, as much provision was leff over, to hold snother on the evening of the 1gth. The pro-
ceeds were applied to the defraying of a small debr ceeds were applied to the defraying of a small debi
cemaining on the new manse property. At lest remaining on the new manse property. At last
communion on sarch 4 th, which was preceded by communion on March 4 hi, which was preced
wed of preparatory services, there atiendance, every available corner of the chuich
 bean new members were admilled to the churh thas making in all since the induction of Rev. Mr . MacLeod, a little over z year ago, erghly new names added to the roll. The attention of the con-
grepation is being drawn to the fact that in the near rature provision be made for increased accommoda tion.

The annual basiness meeting of St. Paul's therch. Peterboro, was held Wednesdas, the 241h alk. Devotional exercises mere conducted by Rep Mr. Torrance. after which Mr. J. Coyle Browna
P.S.I., was cilled to the chair. Rev. E. F. Tor ance, in the repont of the session, made feeling refertence to the excellececy of the suppiy by Rev.
Mr. Goldsmaith during his allaess of $\begin{aligned} & \text { eight monihs }\end{aligned}$ ir. Goldsmith during his 1 liness of eight months The number of communicanis of the church had not materrany ancreased, there is still some 350
families io connection with the church. Altogether there reere, 005 communicants. The Board
of Managers' report showed the expenses of the year to have been 5 , 90.97 ann the receipts to $b$ \$5.854.66, leaving a defi 12 of $\$ 96.31$. The mort age accouni showed that the balance due on mort
 ton of contnoutung to all the schemes of the serenue of the chotch by the enrelope ststem tras discoussed and resulted in the adoption of a resolotion that all conitibutions for all porposes be made by the use of eavelopes. The sanciay school 2retage atiend 21 ce was 255. It showed 2 great
lack of Bible tudy among the childten and the parents were requested to see that such was attended ${ }^{\circ}$ The cuse of temperance had been carefolly ooked after in ine she suticct. A Fiench stodeat pecially being a the North West had also been aided. It also bolds a number of shares in the missionaty schones. Dapspying, whith was deing work carry The contribations had not increzsed for missionar parposes duuing the fear, \$3j4 having becen raised. On= buadzed dollars had beea giren to Foreiga
sissions, one hundred to liome Missions, sereaty

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tro to French Exangelization, ten to the Ontario Sabsal School Associations, orty. ix to the Northwest, and sixteen dollars and eighteen cents to
the missionary ship. Mr. J. D. Collias presented the seport of the Missionary Socicty. During the year just ended several noted missionaries had adanca theirge meelings in connection with the church, $\$ 967.36$ had besa collected during the year, and this, accordiag to a resolution, was ordered to be civen as follows:-Home Missions, $\$ 400$; Foreign Missions, $\$ 370$; French Evangelizalion, $\$ 137.36$. Other reporta read and adopled wert those of
the Woman's Foreign Missionary, Iadies Aid Society, Fraser Mirsion Band, Faith(ul Workers Endeavor Society, both juniur and senior.

## PRESBYTERY MEETINGS.

A semi andual meeting of the Algoma Presly. tery was held at Sudsury on the $33 t \mathrm{~h}, 14 \mathrm{th}$, and 15th instant. The altendance was good. Rev.
S. Ronceau presided. It was tesolved to ask the General Assembly for leave to add the name of Rev. . B. Kodgers to the roll of Puesbytery. The re regations for aid in the building of churches and manises was received witi thanks, and it was de ided that this Presbytery, in conjunction wilh the Pesbytery of Barrie, should memorialize the General Assembly for the establishment of a church and of the fact that the fund of this onture now in exist ence is available exclusively for the missions of Manitoba and the Northwest. The treasurer re ported that he bad appostioned the amount for the Assembly Fund among the reveral congsegaitons aving ordaned mansters, who were to send the monats direct to Dr. Reid. It was also resolved oo memorialize the General Assembly to sabsatule or the present indefinite description of the $b$. und aresbptery $0^{\circ}$ Algoma shall be bounded on the cast by Sturgenn Kiver, on the south hy Lake Nupissing. Freveh River, the Georgian Bay, the southein shores of the Great Mranitoulio and ajjacent islands. the S. Mary's River and the north-eastern shores of Lake Superior as far westorard as the mouth o White River, and on the west by White River. Regulations for the guidacce of missionartes and
managers of mission Gelds were adopted and o:der managers of mission kelds reere adopted and oider
ed to be prinied fur ammediate use. Our repre sentatives on the Assembly s Home M1.-ston Committee vere iastructed to lay before that committe he advisabilits of amending their regulanons so as at least as is allowed to students. A verv favorabl report of the work done in the Bruce Mines field was riceived from the commultee apponated to visit
that field. The committee to Thessalon seporied hat ficid. The committee 10 Thessalon reporied progress and mere continued tith Presbyterial powers in determine the location of the chureh an B Smith Cupchist having labored pathin the bounds of shis Fresbytery for the past three years with acceptance, and having passed the prescrabed examications salisfactorily, was granted the starus of approved cetechist and recommended to the flome siasion Committe for apporriment. A seneme fo he systematic examination of catechasts was adopled providing sor examioation at entrance at the nad or he hast year's work and for the staus ol approred calch inadion 10 ordinauon an a farnber on past six months was heard from Rev. E. D. Pel letier, missionary under the joint employ of the Eoard of Freach Erangelizatioa and the Home Missinn Commitice. The report was received with approbatios, and pasment of the grants re commended. The reports of the depatations ap pointed to visit he congregzinons diawiog aid lioa calions that, in the euse of Szult Si. MIarie, the congrega ion might, by pating lorth $2 \pi$ caraest effist, 28 tain and mainiain the stalus of a self-sustaining congregation. The former grants mere, homeres recommended in each case, in the meanime. The reports on Home Mission work by Rer. A. Find 12y, scperintendent of unistions, and Rer. J. Renaic Conyener ot the Home Mission Commitee, were
received with thavks, and adopted mith slight reccived with thasks, 2nd adopted with sing
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The father of Professor Charles A. Briggs is a pruminent and active Methodist.

Joseph Cook's new series of Monday lec tures are upon the parliament of religions.

Emperor Willam has directed that a tower be erected at Gottingen in honor of Bismarck

S: nhars Moraes and Pereira were elected
Mice President of respect
Brazl.

Furty-two anarchists and socialists are to bs tried on a charge ol plotting a ievolution in Italy.

Mr. Gladitone was eighty.four years old
D-cember 29 h. He has been 7 the British public service sixty years.

Of the forty-two Enolish-speading Baptist Churches in and about Chicago, one half have beed organized in the last four years.

The strnngest candidate inr Pope to sue ceed Lro XIIl. is said to be Monsignore Do minico Jacobini, the papal nuncio in Lisbon

Dr. Simuel Smiles, author of "Self Help," has jusi celebrated his golden wedding. He is in his eighty-third year, and is still vigorous.

The Rev. Robert Small, Gilmore Pláce Church, Ediaburgh, has received the degree ol Doctor of Divinity from the Uaiversity of St Andrews.

More than one hundred and ninery pupils have been edrolled in Cumberland Presbyter ian Seminary, Piedmont, Ala., M. M. Russell, A.B., president.

The Rev. James Hamilton, M.A., was on the 22nd ult, ordained to the pastoral charge of the congregation of Derryvalley, in the Ballybay Presbytery.

Lady Henry Somersat is at present raising finds to establish in England an Inebriate Home for Women. Such a home formen has beea in existence for some time.

The number of reformatory schools in Great Gritain at present is filty-two, viz forly-three in England, izi sine in Scotland years.

The report for 1893 of the London Pres byterian Literary Society's Union has been printed and issued There are 32 socipties in the union, containing $: 918$ members, of whom 534 are ladies

Rev John Julian, autbor of the Dictionary of Hymmology, and Rev. A. I. Harrison, lec turer on "Christian Evidences," have been Bensod, Archbshop of Canterbury.

Dr. Kerr, Principal Inspector of schools in Scoiland, admits that some of the good feat ures of the old yarochial schools have dis appearec, but he finds compensation in

Gen. deal Dow, whose ninetieth birthday, March 20th, was celebrated by prohibitionists in various parts of the country, still rises datly at five a.m., and takes a three mile wall every morning, "to keep the bloom of youth on his cbeeks.

The tower which is being erected by the Ruscians on the bighest point of the Mount of Olives at jerusalem, is already several stories high, and but one more is 10 be added. the seen from the top.

Philadelphia has abolished school examinations for promotions. The movement has been on the ground that examinations are an unnecessary dralt upon the time and edergy of both pupils and teachers and alsn an inceutive to deception by the former.

Rev. G. W. Rich, of Payson, Uiah, reports a unique ingathering of paople at Berjamin, a village near Payson. Some time since al. most the whole willage left the Mormon Church in a body, and now about fify of them have son.

Chicaco has 6:6 churches of all denomma lions. Of these the Methodints have ios churches and missions, the R man Catholics Jor, the Congrtgationaisis eighty sour, the
Bapists seveniy-iwo, ihe Lutherans sixly-four Bapirsts seveniy-iwo, the Latherans sixiy-four
the Presbyterians fity-six, the Episcopalians the Presb
forty-four

The head-masters of Eton and Earrow schools in England receive probably the largest salaries of anv educators in the morld -from \$j0,000 10 S40,000 per year. With these exceptions there is litlle diAerence in
the wapes paid the Englich and American the wages paid the Englic
teacbers of the same grade.

A movement is being made 10 form an inter-collegiate debating udion Harvard has been the moving factor in the matter, add has sent invitations to the larger American colleges, and acceptances from
Columbia, and the University of Peansylvania have already been received.

The Rev. Dr. J. H. Wilson, of the Barclay Church, Edinburgh, preached lately in the Melvilee Free Church, Aberdeen, and at the close of his sermon iniroduced to the con gregation the Rev. W. S. Swanson, the
newly.ordained minister of the church. Mr. newly-ordained miniser of the church. Mr.
Swanson occupied the pulpit in the evening.

The Presbvterian Board of Education has issued a new circular to the chuiches. The number of candidates under its care has in creased from 696 in 1857 to more than 900 in 1894. In view ef the freat expansion uf the foreign work and the great demands at home they expect this number to become still larger.

The R-v. Andrex Duncan, senior minister of the U P. Church at Mid-Calder, fell asleed in the Lord on his seventy-fourth birth-day, the 23rd January, and his remains were buried
in the grave of his father, in Mid-Calder in the grave of his father, in Mid-Calder
churchyard, on the following Friday. He had served his generation by the will of God as a minister of the gospel for fifty two years.

Attempts are still continued to carry out street preaching in the city of Cork, but with a very limited measure of success. The preachers, wherever they appear, are hustled dispositio, and the authorities show vervlittle could be established in this matter, not in Cork only, but all over Roman Catholic lie. land, it would be a great gain.

In a "Library of Christiąn Philosonhy," published by Wilbur B. Ketchum, New Ynrk, the volume, "The Best Thoughts of the Best Thinkers," a place is given to a paper by Rev. J. D. Gold, Ph.D., pastor at Newburgh, Indiana, on the progress of Theistic Phiiosophy. This paper was read in the Summer School of Philosophy at Avon by the Sea, r89r, and published in Christian Thought in December of the same year

The Prussian Minister of Public Worship has announced that children whose fambles have no religious faiti need not receive religious instruction in the public schools except at the request of their parents. The order, it is explaned, does not apply to the primary schools, but it is the first step towards the abandonment by the state of the duty of religious instruction, and, as such, has met with loud protests both trom Protestanis and Roman Catholics.

At the present time there are over 70 branches of ithe Y. M C. A. in London alone, and in the United Kingdom there are 843 associations with a membership of 87,464 . The grand rotal of branches throughout the world 5,ij8. with a membership, including associates, of 467.515 . These include more than 900 branches in Germany, 100 in France, and fourishis associations to aearly all the countries of Europe as well as in India, Australia, South Africa, etc

The Rev. Yung-King. Yea, a Presbyter of the American Protestant Episcopal Church Mission in China, has arrived in England in response to an invitation from the anti-opium organizations. He wac welcomed at a meeting 10 (Lower) Exter Hall, lately, Sir Joseph Pease, M.P., in the chair. Mir. Yen represents the natuve Christiansin China, and more especially io Shanghat, and gives his personal testimony as to the curse that has fallen on babit.

Dr. Pentecost and the Session at Maryiehone have given the use of their leciure-hall far a sale of work on behalf of the Brutush and Foreign Sailors' Societv, receatly, opened by Mr. Samuel Smith, M.P. The sociriy has secured the General Post office at Daver, overinoking the harbnr, for its Sailor' Rest and Bethel. The srciety hopes to make use of Indian gative missionaries to natwe seamen working in Indian parts. Blrs. Pentecost and other ladies are readering valuable help.

The resignation by the Rev. Dr. Walter C. Smith of his minisiry in Edinburgh Free High Church is an event that clams the regrets of a ar uijer circle than thnce more immediately oncerned. In his Mojeratorship of the Jubilee Assembly last Miay, he displayed con-
summate ability in the tact, gracelulness, and summate ability in the tact, gracerulness, and seadines s of iesnuice with which he disof the postuon. We and mulufirious dulies of the posmion. We trust he may long be :pired to enjoy a tranquil season of retire-
ment, and to enrich the world with further products from his fen.

The Moody meetings in Washington reere of interest and atiracted all classes-members of Congress, the higher offictals, or the officiais of all classes and distinguished the most lowly. Mrs. Clevcland was present one cveniog accompanied by Mrs Greshain Mirs. Carlisie aod Mirs. Bissell, of ihe Cabinet ladies. When the request was riven to the vast audience for all who were protissed Christians 10 indicate that they pere prolessed of the church by rising Mrs. Cleveland mas among those who stood up.


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David Christie Murray in a recent address contends that tho drama is not an art but a trade. The monoy-making faculty is the one sign of mbility.

The I)uchess of Teck, whose daughter may one day bo Queen of Enghand, has writton an article bogging ladios of her acquaintance to help make clothos for the poor.

Tricycles may bo had for hire, like cabs, in Milan. An attendant goes with the machine to provel it. The fars depends on the distance travelled, not the time consumed.

Ore of the most recent dodgen for reliov ing sleeplessness is to raise the heal. of the bed about 12 inches, or cut off a foot from each of the legs at the foot of the bed.

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cess, and the output is said to possess more than the average strength of ordinary leather.

At the Kipling household five o clock tea is served from a table whose top is a larce plate of hammerted brass of Indian design and mamm. facture.
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During the month of December 323 fcot of 7 by 11 feat tumneling was driven at the Jeddo tunnel, at Eberville. This was done in $2 \pi$ days by
ing ten hours.

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The late Mr. A. L. Bruce, sun-m-law of Dr. Livingstune, the famuas African explorer, has left $£ 3,000$ to the Caiversity of Edinburgh for the purpose of founding a Charr of Yublic Health.

Dr. P. Fuerbringer, of Berlin, praises the peanut as a foral rich in albumen, and advise its use in soup or as mush. Pornuts are especially saluable, he says, in kidney diseases, in which animal albumen nust be avouled.

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