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Some parents compel their children to eat against their will, as when they come to the breakfast table without an appetite or have lost it in prospect of a visit or a ride, or for he sake of "eating their plates clean" in discouragement of wasteful habits. Unless we are thirsty we cannot drink the purest spring water without aversion, and, as for eat ing when there is no appetite, it is revolting, as any one may prove to himself by attempt ing to take a second meal in twenty minutes after having eaten a regular dinner. The appetite, the hunger, is excited by the presence of gastric juice about the stomach, but if there is no gastric juice there can be no hunger, no appetite, and to compel a child to
swallow food when it is distasteful is an ab swallow food when it
surdity and a cruelty.

A sea salt bath, followed ty an "oil rub," is an excellent daily habit for delicate women who need vitalizing. Sea salt may be bought in three or five pound boxes at a druggist's, and a hall cupful dissolved in boiling water and added to a basin of lukewarm water is enough for a sponge bath. The best way to take it is to stand in the bathtub, and, after sponging one's self from head to foot, pour the remaining water over the chest and shoulders. To be entirely satisfactorp the oil must be applied by another person. Cocoanut oil is best and cheapest for the purpose and it should be rubbed into the skin till no race remains on the suriace. It is mos beneficial to have the bath and the oil rub ust before going to bed, and in any case the patient should rest in a reclining position for at least half an hour after receiving the treat. ment.

Baked Custard.-One quart milk in the dish in which it is to be baked; set upon the range to warm; three tablespoonfuls granulated sugar ; six eggs, beaten light, and grate nutmeg over the top, and bake until solid.

Boiled Suet Pudding, One coffec-cup chopped suet, one coffeccup milk, one coffeecup molasses, not syrup, one teaspoon baking powder, and hour to make as stift as pound To be steamed four hours.

Soft Gingerbread.-One cup each of sou miltr and molasses, two egRs, one teaspoonful and a half of soda, half a cup of butter, a tablespoonful of ginger and flour enough to make thas thick as pound-cake. Warm the butter molasses and ginger togetior, beat the eggs and stir in ; then add the flour, milk and soda. Bake immediately.

Celery Salad.-Cut the white stalks ot celery into pieces half inch long. To every pint of these pieces allow half a pint of mayon aaise dressing. Dust the celery lightly with sait and pepper, mix it with the dressing, heap it on a cold plate, garnish with white tips of mix the celery and dressing until you are ready to use the salad.

Polish for Silver and Table.-Once ever week silver should be thoroughly polished. First clean with electro silicon, or any perfectly smooth powder, mixed with a little alcohol zad water. Rub with soft cloths or chamois, and use a soft brush where necessary. Sometimes it is impossible to get all the powder out of tracery and filagree work. In that case, hold under boiling water and dry quickly. If you bave a Vienna coffeepot, Banares brass trays, or similar articles 10 clean, rub first with electro silicon and a mix. ture of one-half lemon juice and one-hall water. Then polish with hard silver rouge To keep the polish of your tables in order have a mixiure of one-half turpentine and onc-balf olive oil. Wash the wood with clear water, or water in which a little borax has been dissolved. Never rub scap on polished wood. Rub a litle of the oii and turpentine on with a flannel cloth, Polish with a clean flannel.

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The Rev. Hudson Taylor, of the China Inland Mission, estimates that more than roo, 000,000 of Chinese are addicted to the use of opium.
Mr. Norman Murray, who was charged with disturbing the St. Jean Baptiste procession, was declared guilty in the recorder's court, Montreal, and fined $\$ 5$ and costs. Mr. Murray gave notice of appeal.

A revision of the treaties between Japan and the Western Powers is to be made at once. "Japan for the Japanese," is the cry of the islanders, who feel insulted because the foreigners remain under the jurisdiction of their consuls.

During the census decade, 1881-91, the Presbyterians built 15 churches in Prince Edward Island, 38 in Nova Scotia, 26 in New Brunswick, 42 in Quebec, 181 in Ontario, 61 in Manitoba, 8 in British Columbia and 40 in the Northwest Territories.

A native paper, published in India, turns the tables upon the English for ridiculing the survival of grotesque customs in India, by complaining of the absurd and objectionable custom of toast-drinking, which seems indispensable when Englishmen meet together.

The Scottisin Congregational Year Book for $1894 \cdot 95$, reports 99 chapels and 37 missionhalls, providing 52,554 sittings. There are 124 Sunday-schools with 13,167 scholars, and $\mathrm{r}, 405$ teachers, 90 Bible classes with 3.594 members, and 19 Christian Endeavor Societies.

The Social Democrats in Germany have turned the cholera scare to their account in the beer boycott. They are circulating placards which assert that the boycotted beer, has been poisonedand would surely infect with cholera all persons driaking it. The brewers and their supporters have protested against this sort of wariare, but the police bave declined to stop the distribution of the placards.

The great new lines of telegraph and cable now proposed, remarks the Golden Rule, will do much to further the missionary cause. Among these are lines connecting eastern Si beria with America, a cable across the Pacific, and there may be added, as something similarly useful to missionary effort; the great railroad which is to stretch from the Baltic Sea for 5,000 miles across Siberia to the Pacific coast.

The Britisiz Weckly says that "Dr. Jobn Hall is one of the stateliest and handsomest of American ministers. He carries his age lightly, and no one would imagine he had worked for twenty-seren years as the pastor of one of the largest Nem York Churches. If America had a royal family, he would certainly be a favorite court preacher. He has still a faint-a very faint-suspicion of Irish accent, but in all other respects, be might be taken for a native-born American."

The Bishop of Norwich has been speaking out against "the distressing levity with which marriage ia frequently regarded." His lordship included among the accompaniments of a fashionable marriage, "the not uncommod "levitp of the marriage party; the church crowded with sightseers, gazing as at a'rareeshow : the irreverence in God's house; the whispered comments on the bride, her dress; the murmured laughter; the vulgar horseplay at the door of the church, sometimes\} in the sacred houṣe itself. ${ }^{\text {i }}$

The Home of Pandita Ramabai, at Poona, India, carries on educational work among fifty-one pupils, thirty-four of whom are widows. The institution is supported by seventy-five Circles in the United States. When Pandita Ramabai commenced her work six years ago, she was promised aid for ten years from her friends.

We have been in the habit of designating France as a Roman Catholic country. A Patis correspondent of Evangelical Christendom writes: "In France scarcely 5,000,060 out of the $40,000,000$ reputed Roman Catholics may be said to be worthy of the name, the rest are non-church-zoers, unbelievers, atheists, and anarchists."

At Halifax one recent afternoon the Countess Aberdeen gave an "at home" and garden party in the magnificent grounds of the official residence of the admiral commanding the British squadron in North American waters. It pas the most brilliant and successful aftair of the kind ever held there. One of the features of the "function" was the entire absence of wines and liquors. This is the first time in Canadian history that the wife of the Governor-General has held a reception without dispensing liquors, and marks a new era in Canadian high social life. All honor to her ladyship for this new departure. Let us hope that her wholesome example may be widely followed.

## EARLY DAYS OF PRESBYIERI. ANISM IN AND AROUND KINGSTON.-NO. 1.

## by rev. samuel houston, ma.

Soon after the middle of the eighteenth century, New France became Britain's by conquest, and a few years later the ownership was confirmed by treaty. Some twenty years more clapsed ere the British began to settle in what, at a Jater date, became the City of Kingston. It was about this latter time that the first child of British parentage was born here. Col. Clark, afterwards of Dalhousie, is quoted as saying, "I was born at Frontenac, now Kingstoa, in 1783, and was baptized by the Rev. Mr. Stuart." The Mr. Stuart here seferred to, in later days better known as the Rev. Dr. Stuant, was the first Anglican minister, from 1785 to 1811 . Before coming to Canada, which he did at the close of the Revolutionary War, he had been misionary to the Mobawks, at Fort Hunter, in the State of New York. His father, Andrew Stuart, an Irish Presbyterian, had emigrated from Omagh, about 1730, and seltled at Harrisburg, in Pennsyl-
vania. vania.
The first Presbyterian clergyman in this part of Canada was the Rev. John Bethune, who was a Scotchman, but he had gone with his pareats to the Southern States prior to the breaking out of the Revoluthonary War. In the early part of the struggle be was chaplain to a regiment in the service of the Crown in the Carolinas. The division with which he was connected suffered disaster, and be was imprisoned for a time and left destitute. When set free he made his way to Ncva Scotia, where it it said he took part in corolling the emigrant Highland regiment, which afterwards did good service in the defence of Quebec, when it was allacked by an American force. This regiment was known as the 94th, and Mr. Bethane was its chaplain. It is said tbat the 84th was on Carleton Island for a time, in 1783, where Mr. Bethune spent that winter and married a ccuple withu the walls of Fort Frontenac, which was the old name of Kingston, not long before its being disbanded. In that case it is not unlikely that Mr. Bethune may have held service in Kingston as early as if83, the very year that is set dowras the beginning of British settlement here. We hear of him next year in the neigbborhood of Oswegatetue, and he is still in reccipt of a snlary from the Govemment. In if86 he founded the first congregation of our order in Montreal, that 2 fermards known as St. Gabriel

Church. The following year he moved to Wil. liamstown in Glengariy, and there ho spent the remaining twenty-eight years of his life. One rea. son for his removing from Montreal to Gleogarry was that he might avail himself of the privilege, to which he was entitled as chaplain, of taking possession of the liberal land grants made by the Crown to the disbanded regiments. A chaplain ranked as caplain, and so he could claim 3,000 acres for himself; and each of his children on allaining malurity, could claim 200 acres. As his family was large this was no small inducement. A late writor refers to him in these terms: " ' Though he went to reside on his property, he did not forget his ministecial vows. He resumed professional work in the new
sphere to which Prover sphere to which Providence lea him. He was a faithful and zealous misuonary, and to this day the fruits of his vigor and efficiency remain in the large and prosperous congregations organized by him, not only at Williamstown, but also at Martintown, Cornmall and Lancaster. He baptized allogether In no part of Caring his ministiy in Glengarty. In no part of Caoada, perhaps, was the Protestant part of the population so well consolidated as in the district to which Mr. Bethune ministered. Very few denominations have even yet acquired a foothold in it, thanks to the high influence, both infelleclual and spintual, which he exercised at the formative period of the history of Glengarry."
Some of his sons in their shol Some of his sons in their school days came under the spell of that able leacher who afterwards rose to be the first bishop of Toronto, and having followed in their rew connection. A descendant of Mr . Bethune's is now the respected Presbyterian minis. ter at Beaverton, on Lake Simcoe.
During the last twenty years of Mr. Bethune's iife, there was another minister labouring east of Glengarry and nearer Kingston, in the ccunties of Stormont and Dundas. This was the Rev. John the States. Of him it is on record that "He was of
 Laithful pastor, laborious and self-denying. His in-
come was small; it is said that his actual stipend come was small; it is said that his actual stipend never exceeded one hundred dollars per annum. and he bad no private means." He was held in the highest esteem by the people to whom he min. istered. He died in ISI 5, the year that Mr. Bethune died.
In the year 1798, the Relormed Dutch Church commissioned the Rev. Robert McDowell to do missionary work in Upper Canada. For many reasons he is, to us in Kingston, of the early pionecrs, the noblest Roman of them all. His long service in this neighborhood, his ability and devotion, as well as bis close connection with the town here, make him, at least dunng the first half of the period of
his labour on this side of the Late his labour on this side cf the Lake, more to us than any otherx of that early day. During the first genesation of British tale here, the church that com. missioned him was almest the only one that made an attempt to supply the spinitual wants of Presbyterian Churchmen in Upper Canada. It was then, ass it still is, one of the staunchest of the Psesbyter ian family of churches. Those who are at all familiar with church bistory, will remenaber the famous Synod of Dort, which was called together early in the seventeenth century, by the Mother Cburch of Hol land. There sat in that Synod five commissioners from the Church of England, one of whom was already a bishop, and two othere were afterwards raised to the Episcopal bench. One of the latter was the widely knowa Bishop Hall. Our church in Canada owes much to she Dutch Church in the States for what was done in those early years, zbove
all for the gift of Mr. McDowell all for the gift of Mr. McDowell. He was of Scollish parentage. although 2 minister of the
Dutch Church. He had 2 pressing int Dutch Church. He had a pressing invitation at first to settle at Elizabethtown, oow Brockrille, but in ISoo he acrepted a call to Fredericksburg. Ernestown, and Ad ilphustown, and there be ministered therest of his life, mose than forly years. His parish for 2 time vas from Brockville to the head of
the Bay of Quinte; indeed, it may be said to Yor the Bay of Quinte; indeed, it may be said to York. Thase who eame hater could hardly understand the toils, privations, and difficulties that had to be borne by the pioneers. They needed to be men like John the Baptist, without longings for laxurious indulgences. and sternly true to convictions formed in yonth. There were temptations hard to be resisted to turn aside from the faith in which thes were
brought up.

The next minister sellled in the region around was the Rev. W. Smart, of Brockville, and a few years later the Rev. Wm. Bell and his family come to Perth. The last named was the father of Dr. Bell, who is now Bursar of Queen's College. Messrs. Smart and Bell were from the Secession Church of Scolland, and had been warm friends in fondon, where both had spent part of their youth. ful days. It was a rare joy to both that they were seltled so near to each other in Canada, in these western wilds, that in the good providence of God they were allowed to take sweet counsel together, buth in their own personal experience and in tedes of work. In the writings of both there are most touchiog references to the blessed fellowship they had with one another. In the year after Mr. Bell's arsival in the country these two, with others now sellied between here and imontreal, formed the Presbytery of the Canadas. While the ministers that formed that Presbytery were mostly of the Secession, they showed no disposition, but the reverse, to set up or to foster what was peculiar to the old land; their ideal was to frame a platform broad enough to embrace all that came from the
fatherland. The founders of the fatherland. The founders of the Presbytery were brad-minded men; there was in them a dispostion to adapt themselves to the needs of a new country. In this they were worthy of great prase; they deselve to be remembered with gratitude. They were before their time, however; the ideal of a consolidated Presbyterianism was not to be realized for two generations yet It came, but they did not live to see it.

This very brief and imperfect sketch of what was done in the region around brings us up to the consideration of what we are able to glean of the work in Kingston itself. Organized Presbyterianism was somewhat late in making visibility here; the Roman Catholics, the Anglicans, and the Methodists were all ahead in sotting up house. Late as they were in occuping the ground, however, they were the first to erect a stone temple in which to worship God.
Of the first 30 years of Kingston's life under British rule we can say very little that is definite
regarding our special regarding our special subject. There are very few outward manifestations of Presbyterian faith and order on record during that time. Among the Loyalists elsemhere, and even in the neighboring townships, there were Presbyterians, both of Dutch and Scotch extraction; we cannot doubt, therefore, that of those settled here there were some of that complexion. When we come down to the end of that first period of 30 years, as we find men of note among those of the Loyalist stock of the Presbyterian laith, we may conclude that there were sume from the very first. We find in the army and navy, and in other Government emplogments, men whose names were distinctively Scotch, and we may arsume that lbey were of the faith that is prevalen in North Britain. Belore the ISth century passed away there are on Masonic records, and of high official rank in the order, men with such names as McKay and McLeod, and such names have the aroma of the heather and the smoke of the peat on
them. Soon after this century them. Soon alter this century opens we meet on the aumy list the name of a Lieut. Col. McPherson, who in later days was one of the founders of $S$ t Andrep's Chunch, and his descendants acers of St . this day. We mill bave to make reference to that family again as we go on make seference to that that from the early years of British settlement and onward thete were immigrants coming in from Scotland and the north of Ireland. They came to this new land full of the history, traditions and contendings of their fathers, with a passionale attachment to all that was distinctively characteristic of the faith and simple forms of worship belicied in ard practiced by those who look back with such vencration to what was done by the Assembly that sat in Westminster Abbey two centuries and a half ago. The Scotch-Irish in particular had lelt their
native land in many cases smanting dider native land in many cases smarting under what they regarded as unbearable wrongs done them by landlords, on the one havd, and by a dominant church on the other. They resented strongly the disabilities, both civil and religious, that pressed the clearer light of the laemory of the emerge into the clearer light of the ruemory of the oldest surviving inhabitants and of the more abundant material that is available to the modern historian, we find
 Llster. The suteam of immigration began very
early to fow in, at first but slowly, but, as the years went on, in ever. increasing volume. Such was in a large and important part the material of which our citizens then and for some penerations later were composed.

We may try to picture to ourselves the religious services that were enjoyed, for a ume tufut and irre gular to a large degree. As weeks and months and at times longer periods passed writhut such services as they had been familias with in the old land, the somewhat rugged lines of Psalms most familiar to them acyuired a meaning that in childhood's days they hardly thuught uf, they were reminded by them of their pilgrim condtion, they thought with sad ness of oiher lands and days. They would croon in a minor key, and as they did so their eyes filled with tears, the lines :-

- My soul is poured out in me,

When this I think upon,
lecause that with the mult
I herelofore had gone.
With them into God's house I went
With voice of joy and praise,
Yea, with the multitude that kept
The solemn holy days."
The solemn holy days.'
Then when what they lunged for su much did come, it was to them a feast of fat thins's, and they looked back to the day as a red-letter day. Then they Lruke ino jugous and strrung and trumphan strains. the majut tostead of the minut key.-
"I joyed when to the house of God, - I joyed when to the hous
Go up they said to me."

Or,

## We'll go into His tabernacles And at His footstool bow."

As we have seen, the Rev. Mr. Bethune was in the neighbourhood as early as 1783 . In 1798 Mr McDowell came to the colony and soon after made his home at Fredericksburg. From that tume onward he was at haod to keep the fire burning; or, if nothing more, to prevent it from being quenches until more favourable days would come. His record of marriages and baptisms, a bulky as well as a venerable looking folio, is to be seen in the college. By the kindness of Dr. Bell I was allowed to look it over not long ago, when gathering materials for this puper. The baptismal lists are made out in headings under the names of the several townships along the front of the counties of Fsontenac, Lennox and Hastings, as well as some of those in Prince Edward county. There is a Kingston list, not very numerous, but it is an exceedingly interesting one The dates are during the first decade of this century. Among the names are those of G:aham, Forsyth, Horning and others. We can imagine the good man setting out from his home at Fredericks. burg and trudging on foot along the lake shore, past Bath and what is now known as Collins Bay, to come here and miuister to the Presbyterians that were in the village. Usually he pould have a
preacbing service when he came and sometimes preacbing service when he came and sometimes
there would be a baptism, and as time allowed be visited from house to house. With his extensive diocese he could not be frequently here, but he brought encouragernent to those of his own faith as often as in his itineracy he made his rounds. In such ways he belped, under God, in the formation of the character of those who were dependent on him for spiritual guidance until they were able to have a clergyman of their own.

When the last century was neating its close, and before Simcoe, the first Governor of Upper Canada was called elserihere, a movement seems to bave been made in the direction of establishing an insti
turion for teaching the higher grades of education. and an application was sent to Scotland for a man to be the head of the embryo rollege The position was offered to Thomas Chalmers, 2 young mav then and rithout fame, but a man whose name was ere long to fill a large place in the Eoglisb-speaking rorld as a massive orator, a scientist and a promoter of the most advanced forms of benevolence, a taue philanthropist as well as a savant. Chalmers did not respond, but he advised his friend Joha Strachan to come. The most prominent names on the application were those of Stuart, the first rector of St. George's, Cartwright and Hamilton. The evidence is not rery clear that Robert IXamiltun lived mech herc, but he had interests liere and at appears as if he and his family must have been here for a brief space at that time His grandsnd the collector of this port, tells me that the traditions of the house make his grandfather to have conducted a business on Carleton Island before settling down permaon Carleton Island before setting down perma-
nently at Niagara. The Hamiltons are a Presbynently at Niagara. The Hamiltons are a Presby-
terian stock, the son of Robert Hamilton of abat day being the late Hon. John Hamilton, long jdentified both with St. Andrew s church and- Queen $s$ College. In the first hist of Legislante Councillors for Upper Canada the oame that heads it is that of Rubert Hamilton. That appuintment was made by Guvernor Simeoe, bere in Kingston, when he inaug.urated the goverament of the coluny for the first tume in the summer of 1792 . The projected
sheme of a cuilege feil thruugh at that time, to the temporary disappointnent of the young Scotchmis, who however came here and taught for two or three years.

The first decade of this century had not long passet away when the Rev. W. Smart came from the old land and became minister of Brockville. We might expect that he as well as Mr. McDowell wuuld give service as he-was able to the Fiesbyter ians of Kingston. The Gazefle newspaper, of date
March 1oth, i8i6, contains the following advertise ment, which to our eyes in these days is somewhat statling: "The Rev. W. Smuit, of Brockville, will deliver a discourse in the Eoglish church to morsow, at two o'cluck, on the fullowing subject. The gospel of Christ adapted to the nature and circumstances of man." One is tempted to ask whet'se the Presbyterian ancestry of Archdeacon Stuart had anything to do with the gravting of the use of the church on that Sabbath alternoon to Mr. Smart and the adherents of Presbyterianism in Kingston.

We are now on the eve of the time when our people took steps towards having a place of wor ship of their own. The Crown Land Grant, of which a copy lies before me as I write these words, datedearly in 1Si\%, conveys a large part of the property which has been occupied ever since by the St. Andrew's cungrepation. The property granted is sald to be bounded on one side by Store Street, un anucher by Giave Street, and un a third by a street which runs nurth, lut which is nut yet named Store Sureet has since then become Princess, Grave
has become Queen, and the street ruaning north is has become Queen, and the street ruaning north is
now Clergy. The names of the grantees ate as follows:-Smith Bartlett, Solomon Johns, Archibald Richmond, Allan McPherson, Samuel Shaw, Alexander Poingle, John McLean, Daniel Washbuin and Benjamin Olcott.

We must not pass these names without looking at them and jotting down what we know of the men so designated. In the first place it is to be noticed that the soctal distinctions of those days are to be seed in the way in which the men are character12ed. We are told that the first five are merchants, thed. We are told that the first five are merchants,
the next three are esquires, while the last is a yeoman.

There is another division of these men that both in itself and in the history of the cause in Kingston is invested with more moment than what bears on social distinctions. In reading over the names for the first time the thought that occurred to me at once was this: Four of these, the first two and the last two, are of United States origin, the other five are Scotchmen. Further examination fully confirmed the first impression. It is not a suppositoon now in my mind, it is an historic fact. Those of United States origin were spoken of by the Scotch as "Yankees," and that term was hy no means a term of honor when coming from the lips of those whose feet at one time trod the heather. In conversation with some old people my earsat once detected the tone in which the "Yankee" Church of the long ago was mentioned. I bave no doubt that political prejudices as well as an assumed patriotism helped to sharpen the sting. In the history of the congregation of St. Andrew's the four Yankees" do not appear again, we shall meet with some of them in another cause in the place, and we may assume that all of the four went into that other cause. The five Scotchmen are to be met with for a considerable time alter, as above all others dominatugg the tempuralities, and some of them were members of the first session as well. We shall see more of tuem again and of the character of the work that they did. Several of Allan MePherson's family are still here. One son was long the Emigration Agent of this port. Joho McLean was at a somewhat later date more familiarly hnown as Sheriff McLean. I learn from conversations with the older tohabitants that many of the others were well known men in their day. During the same year that the Cromn Land Grant was made, an application was sent to the Presbytery of Edinburgh, asking for a minister to be choosen, and if only a licentiate, that he be ordained and sent out to them. Thus the ministers of that Presbytery were constituted patrons of the charge here and they contunued to be so untal a Presbytery of the Church of scotiand was constututed in Canada. Ine patrons, however, were in no hurry to appoint a minster.
They wated untul thiogs weic in a more forward They wated until things were in a more forward endowed with the characteristic Scotch caution
Regarding that same year, 1817 , in Gourley' statistical account we are told that there were in the town, apart from the township, 450 houses and 2,250 souls. In the same publication we are told that there were then four churches or meeting houses, one Episcopalian, one Roman Catholic, and two Methodist. It is added that there were four professional preachers, one Episcopalian, one Presbytenan and two Methodists. This did not include the chaplans uf the army and aavy. Whie accepting the above as generally correct, we demur to the
allegation that a Presbyterian minister was resident here in 1817 .

## Qur Contributors.

İOME FROM YOUR HOLIDAYS.

Your first duty after coming home from a holiday is to be thankful you have a home to come to. Summer resorts are well enough in hot weather, but the poetry goes out of them about the first of September. Muskoka is a grand piace when the weather is warm enough to permit one to lie on the grass comfortably;
but when you have to tramp around with your but when you have to tramp around with your
hands in yout pockets to keep up the circulatuon, Muskoka loses its charm. The lower St. Lawrence is pleasant enough on a fine day; but late in the season a wind comes up the river that finds the weak spot in a man's constitution much quicker than some politicians find a constituency. Even the Atlantic coast loses its charm in autumn. The fact is, every. body likes to get home when the days shorten and the weather begins to get cool. If you are not thankful that you bave a home to go to you are as ungrateful as a "Grit " constituency.

The next duty is to be thankful that you have work to do and strenjith to do it. Too many people complain about work. Work within reasonable limitations is oue of the greatest of earthly blessings. It is good for body, mind and soul. It is good for the body, because no idle man is likely to have good health. It is good for the mind, because a "mind quite vacant is a mind distressed." It is good for the soul, because faw if any of us have grace enough to keep out of mischief if we have nothing to do. The old proverb says that a certain personage always finds something for idle hands to to. The fact is very few people are-absolutely idle. If we are not doing good we are pretty sure to be doing mischief. If people who have nothing to do would go absolutely idle the only harm done would be the loss of their board and clothes. The trouble is, that they don't go perfectly idle.

We have heard people in prayer give thanks for a great many things. We have no recollection of ever having heard anybody give thanks for the blessing of work. And yet work is, we repeat, one of the greatest of eartbly blessings. Does anybody question that statement who iemembers the sufferings of the thousapds who failed to get work last winter. Hugh Miller used to say that the saddest of all sights was a strong man willing to work but looking for work in vain. Thank the Lord every day for work and strength to do it.

Now that you are home again it is not absolutely necessary that you should bore everybody with a long and tedious description of evervthing you saw and heard.
If you were fortunate enough to have had a trip to the old country, it will not be necessary for you to tell all your neighbors that Londor is a large city and that Edinburgh is the capital of Scotland. Some of the people who never crossed the Atlantic have an rdea that London is a place of considerable size. It is scarcely necessary to travel four thousand miles to find out that Edinburgh is the capital of Scotland ; and that Liverpool and Glasgow are cities of commercial importance. These are facts known to evers boy in a junior geography class, therefore don't tell them more than a dozen times on any one vening.

It may not be absolutely necessary for gou to mention more than fifty times a day that vou saw some distinguished people during your hohdays. By running over their names in a familiar kind of way you may perbaps induce innocent people to thiok that you were in high society. That may be all right enough, but don't do it too much. Remember the most contemptible members of the human family are those who try to bang on by the skirts of other people.

Whatever else you do don't speak as if you think that being at bome and faithfully. discharging duty is a lind of punishment and that going some place is the only and bighest kind of cnjoyment. There is a tribe of people growing up in this country who seem to have the idea that home is a kind of prison
house, that work is a degradation, and that the ouly way to eajoy oneself is to gada about. If the tribe increases, Confederation will be a dead failure. After all, home is the best place on earth ; and duty the highest thing on this side of heaven.

COMMOV SENSE IERSCS HIGQER CRITICISM. - NO. 1.

## iiv the rev. joshpi hambion.

I have just been reading Dr. Driver's little book on Isaiah. The author has certain ly brought the events of contemporary history into view in such a way as to throw vivid lighs on many of the prophecies. Like some others, however, who take the same line, this author at once challenges unfavorable criticism when he discredits the authorship of Isaiah in reference to the latter part of the Book that bears his name. I do not discuss the question as to whether Isaiah did write the whole of that Book, but the silly ingenuities that are resorted to, to prove that he did not, are not creditable either to higher or lower criticism. Dr. Driver contends that the latter part of Isaiah must have had a different author than the first part, because of the differeace in style, the difference in thouelht, the differeace in theology, and the difference in words. 1 think this is a fair summary of his case.

As to difference in style, our author says, "The difference of style . . is but the external expression of a difference of mental habit, in other words, of a difference of personality." So then, there can be no clange of mental habit without a change of personality! We had thought that with added years, and new insight, and increased learning, and new as sociations, and enlarged experience, we might come to have a change of mental habit. I think most of us of any considerable age, if we louk back a number of years, will be conscious of a very marked change of mental habit. But our author says, "No ; such a thing never takes place; it cannot take place swithout a change of personality; and because there is a change in the style of the Book of Isaiah, there mast have been a change of author." I wonder if Dr. Driver ever looks at any of his own very early sermons. If he has not acquired both a new mental babit and a new style since those sermons wert writien, he has an unusual experience. The fact is, that a change of style such as our author thinks he discerns in Isaiah, proves nothing at all. Time will work changes in any man's style; so will a new theme; so will new conditions. In fact, a man of any considerable versatility is not confined to one style. He will have different styles at different times. Let me give you an example of this. Some time ago I was reading a speech by Mr. Gladstone. Now we all know the ordinary Gladstonian style. It is characteriz:d by long sentences, fréquent pareatheses, repetition of certain words, involved construction, sometimes rather obscure meaning. But Gladstone bimself is not always Gladstonian. In the speech referred to I came to a place that fairly bristled with short, sharp, crisp seatences that weat off like the rattle of musketry. The style was so unlike the man that I had to look back to see if the speech was really one of Mr. Gladstone's, and sure enough, it was his. The Grand Old Man was there, as large as life, and not re-incarnated either. There was no change of personality such as Dr. Driver says there must be where there is a change of style. Gladstone could change his style in half an hour, with cbanging circumstances; or rather, he changed it unconsciously in new conditions. And what Glad stone could do in half an hour I believe Isaiah might do in forty years. This argument founded on style is entirely overdone. One more sentence from our author will make that abundantly clear. "It is alien," he says, "to the constitution of the human mind for an author to cast off the habits of a lifetime, and assume an altered style in his old age." The absurdity of this is sell-evident. It is a mere literary pretension, unsupported by observa-
of authorship in Isaiah. Then Isaiah ought to harp on the one string through sixty chapters, and for a period of forty or fifty years; if he changes a note he is not the same man. That is really Dr. Driver's contention. His own words will show that I do not misrepresent him. Speaking of the sup. posed author of the latter part of the book, Dr. Driver says, "the prophet moves along lines of thought different from those tollowed by Isaiah; he apprehends and dwells on difierent aspects of auth." We should think he would. He would not be much of a prophet if he did not. Delivering messages of urgent national importance for a period of hall a century, and all of them suited to the changing conditions of the time, we would be very much surprised if he did not "move along different lines of thought" and "dwell on different aspects of truth." But, no ; Dr. Driver says the change of thought proves a change of authorship. Even where there is a similarity of thought or expression in the earlier and later parts of the book, Dr. Driver sees an exparsion of the shought, and the mere expatasion of it, means different authorship. He says, "Even where there is a point of contact between the two parts of the book, or where the same terms are employed, the ideas attached to them have a wider and fuller import." And this wider and fuller import implies different authorship! Isaiah may live a long life; be mas be the leading prophet of his time or of all tume; he may live in a period of stirring change; he may bave affitting; message for every new condition of the nation, but he must not move along any new line of thought, or present any new aspect of truth. This is actually Dr. Driver's position. It is silly enough in all conscience, but it becomes even more so when we notice some of the instances by which it is sustained. The phrase, "high and lifted up" is quoted by our author to show that because it is used in a larger sense in the later than in the earlier part of the book, it must have been used by a difierent author. That the same phrase is used at all in the earlier and later portions gives no suggestion to our author that the same man might have written the whole. O dear, no. His genius is of far too refined and subtle a kind to take any such common suggestion as that. He goes much deeper. He sees that the phrase expands in its meaning; and his ingenious, active mind seizes the conclusion at once that it was used by a different per son. The phrase, "high and lifted up "in chapter ii. is applied to the cedars of Lebanon; in chapter vi. it is applied to God's thronȩ, in chapter lvii. it is applied to the loftiness of Jehovah himself. Now, in the first and second instances quoted, it is agreed that the phrase is used by the same author. Dr. Driver and all the higher critics admit that. But what about the expansion of the meanong of the phrase in the second instance? The cedars were "high and lifted up "in the first instance ; now it is God's throne that is "high and lifted up." What about the expansion here? Doest it not indicate a change of author? I suppose it would, if the case required it ; you can find indications of anybing yon want if you start out to find them. And the higher critics do fiad the indication they want when they come, to the same phrase used, as it is for the third time, in the latter part of the book. Here the phrase is ap. plied to Jehovah himself; and that expansion of the thought, we are told, indicates a Gew author 1 The advance from the cedars to Goa's throne is far greater than the advance from the throne to God himself; as humaniy concetved and expressed. But that does not matter. The ctitics are bound to find a new antior in the latter part of the book, and they are going to find him, common sense notwithstanding.
In another paper I will deal with Dr. difference in ticeology, and difierence in words, between the earlier and later parts of saiab, indica'e' a difference of authorship.
Knox Collage, Torónto.
Which is more misshapen-réligion withoat virtue, or virtue without religion? -

## ENGLAND'S LA WS IN OLDENTTMES

A glance through the Statute Book gives, perlaps, as good an idea as anything of the manners and customs of England in the middlo ages, besides an occasional ingight into tho doings of the world at that period. We hear of the blindness of justice and ineflicacy of the law at the present time, hut in thoso dark days justice was only a name, and law meant only the pleasure of the king and the powefful nobility.
For many years human life was regarded almost as worthless, often being taken in punishment of what we should deem now trivial offences. For a long time man was regarded as belonging to the soil, to
be bought or sold with the land, similar be bought or sold with the land, similar
to the position of a Ruseian serf in our days.
In those days superstition was rampant; and the dread of foreign competition exercised the minds of England's legislators to an unwholesome degree. Inderd, in the early part of the middle ages the Statute Book received its chief additions from Acts relating to the customs and trade of England, interspersed with severe denuncia. tions of heretics, traitors and night walk-
ers. ers.
The Flemings were a particular bugbear, inasmuch as they wove a better class of woollen cloth than that tarned out by
English workmen. The import of their goods was prohibited, but they were allowed to settle in England, and bring their looms with them. The apparel of the ling's "loving subjects" was the frequent cause of contention, and Parliament scemed to exercise considerable anxiety, considering the great number of acts required to settle the costume of the commonalty. In 1337, a protection Act was passed which decreed that " none should wear any cloth, but such as is made in England," and in the same year another Act prescribed "who only shall wear furs;" an Act that would scarcely be brought before tha Dominion Parliament to-day. There is such a persistency in the regulation of dress by Parliament, that some confusion appears to have been made as to due distinction of class, for, after a century and a quarter of legislation on Chis matter, an Act passed in 1463 definitely fixed "what kind of apparel men and women of every vocation and degree were allowed, and what prohibited."

Workmen's wages were fixed by Parliament, and altered as occasion required. In 1347, Parliament attempted to solve the labour question in a very high handed manable in body ordered that "every person not having to live on, being required, shall be bound to serve him that doth requirehim or else be committed to the gaol until he find surety to serve." In the same year another Act of Parliament was passed, declaring that "if any artificer or workman take more wages than were wont to be paid, he shall be committed to the grol." And another Act enjoined that "no person shall give anything to a beggar that is able to labour." Trade unions ware forbidden by two Acts of Parliament passed respectively in 1424 and 1436. The former prevented masons from confederating "themselves into chapiters and assenublies," and the latter was passed as "a restraint of unlawful orders mady by masters of guildes, fraternities and other companies."

What would the exponents of "Woman's Rights" think of an Act which was passed in the year 1225 and stems to sug. gest the total distinction of the softer sex. In that year it was decreed that "no man shall be taken or imprisoned upon the ap. peal of a woman for the death of any other than that of her hasband."

The people'sand the king's food has ex ercised tho attention of the ancient lav. givers. The sturgeon was pronounced a yoyal fish by a statute passed in 1943, which recites that "the king shall have the wreck of the sea throughout the realm, whales and grest sturgeons taken in the sea, or olsewhere-wilhin the realm, except in certain places privileged by the king." An earlier Act ordained that things pur-
yejed for the king's
praised." It required a special act to regu late the several prices of a hen, capon, pullet and goose ; and an Act was passed to regulate the saie of herring at Yarmouth. Herrings were to be sold " from the sun rising till the sun going down, and not before nor after, upon the forfoiture of the same merchandise." Six scores were to be counted to the hundred, and 10,000 herrings were to bo sold for 40s., and that peopla who bought them at that rate should gell "for balf a mark of gain, and not B.

Butchers were prohibited by Henry viths Parliament, from killing beasts within any walled town, and the same privlege was also accorded Cambridge.
The Parlianents of the lagt of the Tudor monarchs passed many measures which seem curious in our time. The spirit of Elizabeth to appear well in the ejes of neighboring countries burns throughout the whole of the work of Parliament. Take for example the preamble to a statute for abolishing logwood in the dyeing of cloth, wool or yarn:-" Forasmuch as the colors made with the sadd stuff, called logwood, alias blockwood, is false and deceitful, and the clothes and other things therewith dyed are not only sold ard uttered to the great deceit of the Queen's loving subjects within her realm of England, but also beyond the seas to the great liscredit and slander as well of the merchants as of the dyers of the realm." In 1545 an unique Act of Parlianent (passed in 1541) was repealed. It recited, "that no manner of person or
persons from and after the lat day of persons from and after the lat day of
August then next, ensuing, should vent, utter or put for sale, by retail, in the gross or otherwise, any manner pins, within this realm, but only such as should be doublehesded, and have the heads soudered fast to the shank of the pins, well smoothed the shank well shaven, the point well and round filed, canted and shaped; upon pain that every offender in that behalf should lose and forfeit for every 1,000 pins not sufficiently wrought and made, vented, uttered or put to sale, contrary to Spurport of this Act, forty shillings."
Space will only allow me to briefly refer to a few other carious Acts. In 1236 it was declared that the day of Leap Year and the day before should be regarded as one day only. In 1331, it was made a penal act to conver gold or silver out of the country. In $1 \bar{\approx} 65$ it was made unlawfal to work hats and caps with foreign wool, unless the artificer had been apprenticed to the mystery of hat-making, and in the same year it was made a felony to carry over sea rams, lambs or sheep. In 1585 an Act was passed for the preservation of the timber in the wilds of Surrey, Sussex and Kent, and is chiefly noteworthy on account of the total sbsence of timber in that local. ity in our time. Parliament, in 1581, prescribed the true making, melting and working of wax, and in 1597, prohibited the excessive making of malt. This is perhaps the earlieat appearance of the political prohibitionist. In the same year they proscribed "lowd and wandering persons pretending themselves to be soldiers and mariners." And about the same time they passed an Act against "" vagabonds calling themselves Egyptians." This Act was apparently abortive to judge by the number of gipsies in our days. Tin was prohibited from export from all the ports of the realm, except Dartmonth. In 1403 we learn "what things may be guilded and laid over Tith silver or gold, and what not."
James I., the English Solomon, vented all his encrgies on the suppression of witchcraft. And many interesting Acts were passed daring the Stuart period, but time will not allow me to cite enactments posterior to the death of Queen Elizabeth. A. Melbourne Thompson, in The Week.

The Ontario Government crop bulletin says the excessive drouth, especially over the large western area, has caused a great falling off in some crops. Considerable damage was done by grassinoppers in midland countues, The fall-sown crops show the best average spríg wheat very poor; hay good; oats and barely under the average : corn fair peas and routs poor ;average crop fruit, except in east ; fall apples up to the arcrage.

Cbristian Endeavor.
THE ALTERNATIVES.

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From the earliest ages God has been giving mankind the choice of good or evil, of blessing or cursing, of life or death. Adam was given the privilege of choosing whether he would obey God and enjoy life, or disobey and suffer death (Gen. it. 16, 17). Cain had a similar choice. God said to him, "If thou doest well shall thou not be exalted, and if thou docst not well sin is crouebing at the door" (G:n. 1v. 7). Moses said to the children of Israel, "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you llfe and death, blessing and cursing ; therefore choose life that thou and thy seed may live" (Deut. xxx. 15, 20). Isaiah was sent to Israel with this message, "Say ye to the righteous that it shall be well with him for they shall eat the fruit of their dong. Woe to the wicked; it shall be ill with him, for the reward of his hands shall be done to him" (Isa. iii. 10, 1I). Solomon also said, "Though a sinner do evil an nundred tumes and his days be prolonged, yet.surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear Gind. But it shall not be well wilh the wicked " (Eccles. viii. 12, 12). When John the Baptist came, be made this declaration, "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life; and he that believeth not the Son shall not see llfe" (Jobn iii. 36). Christ also set before men life or death, ioy or Sorrow, pleasure or pain, peace or unrest, holiness or sia.

Every iodividual must make the choice for himself. He must decide for either the one or the other. Joshua said to the chuldren of Israel, "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve'(Joshua xxiv.15). He recognized the fact that it was impossi", fe for them to occupy a middle ground ; and that if they were not enlisted under the banner of heaven they were still serving the wicked one. Jesus himself presented the same idea in the clearest and most unmistakable terms, for He said, "No man can serve two masters, for either he will bate the one and love the other, or else he will hold to the one and despise the otacr" (Matt. vi. 24). Every man therefore, is etther a child of God or a servant of the devil.

What does God wish us to choose? Every precept, every command, every exhortation, every promise, every warning, indicate very clearly that God desires to choose life. He has no pleasure in the death of the wicked. He would rather that all would turn unto Him and live. "God sent not His Son into the world to coudemo the world, but that the world through Him might have life (John iii. 17). He invites all to look unto Him and be saved (Isa. xlv. 22.)
God is so desirous of saving men that He bas made the terms of salvation very simple and very easy. To every one who asks, "What must I do to be saved ?" He replies, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Cbrist and thou shalt be saved." If salvation depended upon good works, ar buman merit, or riches, many might despair, but what could. be easier than to trust a loving, cornpassionate and mighty
Saviour?

Not only are the terms of saluation very simple, but the sinner is urged in every possible way to take advantage of them, and to take advantage of them without delay. "Now is the accepted time, behold, now is the day of salvation." The sinner is further assured that he may enjoy eternal life here and now. This is what the Rev. F. B. Meyer would call one of the "present tenses of the blessed

The fear of God frees from al' other fear.
Who never looks for angels will see fiends.
A street car conductor at Cleveland paid this complimeat to the visiting hosts of En. deavorers: "They are the easiest people to collect from I ever had. If. I miss one, he
comes and'hands me his fare."

# Dastor and people. 

## "RETORV ONTO THY REST."

Return I return | the Shepherd's voice is calling Fiom breezy

## O'er the fair landscape are the sladows filling, And earth and sky in dim embraces meet.

Like fleecy clouds, in soft and woolly tumult,
The cherished flocks, with blealiogs of, ascend, And on the quiet air the tinkling sheep-bells And on the quiet air labes their music blend.
With evening lullabie

And thus they rest, in green and pleasant pastures,
And thus at eve for quiet folds they yearo And thus at eve for quiet folds they yearn
soul of man, so weary of thy wandering Unto thy resting place return, return 1

Unto the ark the dove returned at evening, Weary and bafled, by the flood distrest; He who was rest, the wanderer receiving, Folding he: pinions on IIis tender breast.

Weary thy pinions, bafled, restless spirit, Made for the Infinite, for lim we yearn
O'er land and sca His voice is ever calling$\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ "r land and sea His voice is ever calling-

Unto thy rest, O wanderer, retura

-Clara 7 zvaites, Sunday Afagazine.

ELIJAH AND ELISHA.
These saints of God are two of the grandest characters in Old Testament historywhich was the greater it is hard to say. The hife of Elisha was emphatically a busy one ; of the ninety years he lived, sixty were spent in the school of the prophets and in public acts for the good of the nation. His miracles unluke those of Elijah, were for the most part of a merciful character, and though he did not enter into rest, in the same manner as he did, for no chariot of fre received his body -he was honoured in a manner never put upon any other man - the one was bonoured $i n$ his departure, the other after it He died, and they buried him. Whatever be the occupation of the life, the grave is the last resting place. When Elisha died, the country was in a state of commotion, resulting from contiaued attacks of the Syrians against
Israel. That Israel should be victorious the prophet predicted before be died. but these were probably faint hearted ones, who thought were probably when prophet died their cause was lost. To show them that their fears were toolish, and that God would not forsake His people the miracle recorded in the text was wrought. A dead body, cast hastily into the prophet's tomb to bide it from a band of Moabite brigands, on touching the bones of the prophet, started into life. The prophet is dead, but he still has power. His spirit lives to infuse hope and courage into the hearts of his countrymen. Jehovah will come to their deliverance. The God of Elisha shall interfere, and free the land from the hand of the spoiler. This was more than Elisha had done in his life ; when he could not without many prayers, and stretching himself upon the body of the Shunamite's child, raise it to life; whereas now, upon touching of his dead body God restored a man in an instant to perfect bealth. "He did wonders in his life, but after his death his works were marvellons."

The incident teaches that the influence of a good man's life is deathless, continuing from age to age. We do not believe in the worship of relics, nor that pilgrimages to the graves of martyrs can obtain for us absolution from sin. ind yet occasional visits to the graves of departed worth are not useless. Those who stand reading the inscriptions on our monusments, or walk over our graves, may feel the ennobling effects of our lives. For

To have in hearts kre leave behiod
Is not 10 dic.
Is not to dic.
The passage teaches the continuous and increasing posthumous inference of a godly and useful life, and that the influence exerted after death is in proportion to the character of the life. A man, through his life and works and moral worth, may thus live after death to greater purpose than when in the body. Like the winged seeds, borne by the wind bither and thither, but eventually taking root and adding to the trees of the forest, such are the ding tossions thatigood men makejupon society.
They may be all unconscious of the influence
they wield, shrinking from public notociety while they live, and expecting nothing after death, saying in all sincerity-

Thus let me live unseen, unknown,
Thus unlamented, let mee die,
Steal from the world, and not a ston Tell where I lie.
But none the less do they exert mighty Sorces upon the generations of men who succeed them. Such was John Calvin's wish, but although the spot where his dust is laid is but a matter of conjecture, his life and writings are the admiration of millions, next, indeed, to the volume of inspiration itself 1

Illustrations of this truth are seen in the lives of Mathew Heary, Robert Murray, McCaeyne, Whitfield, Wesley, Edwards, Chalmers, Duff, Guthrie, John Bunyan, and such men of God, who, being dead, yet speak as they never did before; and continued, it matters not whether the body is buried with honours, or in the potter's field, cast into the deep, or burned at the stake-the man lives. Rome imagined, when ordering the body of Wickliffe to be disinterred and burnt to ashes, and these ashes to be cast into the stream, that his memory would be blotted out. But that act was the kindling of a mighty conflagration, that spread over the continent of Europe and back again to England. As Thomas Fuller says:-"The Swift carried his ashes to the Avon, the Avon into the Severn, the Severn into the narrow seas, and they to the main ocean; and tinus they are emblems of his doctrine, which now is dispensed all the world over." The Parliament of the Restoration after Cbarles II., ordered the body of Oliver Cromwell to be taken from the grave, dragged to Tyburn, hanged on a gallows, then buried like a felon, and the head set upon a pole in Westminster. Did that act strangle the spirit of liberty, or lessen the world's opinion of Cromwell's beroic deeds ? No, verily, his name and deeds are ctill the terror of tyrants in every age. The flames in which Patrick Hamilon and other Scottish martyrs expired, consumed with avenging fury within a generation the Papal and prelatic power. Samuel Rutherford spake truly when he said. "Till doomsday sha:: come, they shall never see the hatk of Scotland and her covenant burnt to ashes, cr if it should he thrown tato the fire, yet it cannot be so burnt or butied as not to have a resurrection."
I bey may scater therr dust to the wiods of heaven, To the bounds of the utmost sea
But her convenants burned, reviled and riven
Shall yet her reviving be.
-Rev. Win. Cochrane, D.D., from the Presbytertan, London, England.

## POSTHUMOUS INFLUENCE.*

"The evil which men do hives alter them." That I believe, and 'us an awful thought. "The good which men do is oft interred with their bones." That I don't believe. I believe that the influence of a good man's life continues whea his bones, like Elisba's, are mouldering in the grave. Many of our poets bave attained to great posthumous influence, such as Shakespeare, Milton, Byron, and last, but not least, Burns. I do not say that all Burns's poems are purifying and elevating in their tone and sentiment; some of them are polluting and degrading. But that is the cbaff to the wheat? What is the pollutung dross to the pure gold? I look upon "The Cottar's Saturday Night " as one of the finest poems ever pritten, a poem fitted to convince every man in whose soul there is a spark of Christian charity that, despite Burns's faults and failings, there was in his beart "some good thing towards the Lord God of Israel." I don't believe he could bave written such a glorious poem had he been entirely destitute of the grace of God. If the grace of God in his heart was only a "feeble spark," a spark invisible to the jaundiced eyes of the censorious and self-righteous, have we not the assurance of the gracious Father, "who knows our frame and remembers that we are but dust," that

The fecble spark to flames He'll raise;
The wealy will not despise.
"The banks and braes $0^{\prime}$ bonnie Doon" are singing Burns's praises, and I believe that ${ }^{-}$Froma lecure by Rev. Joha Doble, D.D., Glasgom
year after year, and generation after generation, their singing will become louder and louder, and more and more rapturous.

There is one man who by his prose and poetry wields a posthumous infuence in Scotland which I believe to be unsurpassed. I refer to the great Sir Walter Scott-"the Wizard of the North." I believe Sir Walter Scott to have been a good man, else I would not have mentioned his name in this lecture. Love for our native land is a natural affection and has been impolrnted within us by our great and gracious Father. There are thousands of Scotchmen whose hearts are glowiug with warmest affection for their native land,

Land of brown heath and shagery wood,
Land of the mountain and the flood.
And what writer has done more to intensily their affectionate patriotism than Sir Walter Scott? Though many years have elapsed since, amidst Scotia's tears and lamentations, his bones were laid to rest in the silence and solitude of Dryburgh Abbey, yet his life is a living power, influencing for good the hearts and lives of thousands, especially the hearts and lives of leal and loyal Scotchmen. He needed not that magnificent monument which adorns our Scottish metropolis to perpetuate bis name and fame. The grand old Highland mountains and hills are his monuments. Sir Walter's name is emblazoned by the sun,

In the beacon red
He kindles on Ben Vorlick's head.

## His name is sounding through

Lone Glenartney's hazel shades,
and resounding o'er the heathery heights of Uam-var. His name is echoing from the rocky summit of Ben Venue, and re-echoing

Through ths Trossachs' Ioneliest nooks.
His name is written in legible and lasting letters on "the silver strand of Ellen's Isle." Whist bir Walter was a great man, he was also, as I have said, a good man, his good ess joined with his genius bave given him amongst his tellow-countrgmen a posthumous inflaence which is unsurpassed, and which I believe to be unsurpassable.

1 pass on to mention the names of one or two of our aivines. Is Thomas Chalmers dead? Many years have elapsed since, one summer morning, he was found by bis daughter lyıng dead upon his bed. She supposed ham to be sleeping, but, aras! it was "the sleep of death." Though literally dead, yet he is virtually living. His life is a visibile life; the Free church is his body; it is his life which is pulsating with unceasing energy through its congregations and organizations. Chalmers was greatly honored of God in life, and he is still being honored, though his bones are mouldering in the dust.

Last, but not least, Dr. Norman Macleod. Though dead and lying wrapped in his High. land plaid in a lonely churchyard, yet he is stull living. His interesting writings are influencing the hearts and lives of thousands in this and other lands, and will continue to do so for many generations. His little work, the Starling, is one of the most beautiful and toucbing stories which was ever written. Norman Macleod's Starling will sing his praises to generations yet unborn. Chalmers and Macleod, though literally dead and silent, are virtually living and speaking. Their books, like Elisha's bones, are being made the medium of quickening power, not to one dead man, but to thousands and tens of thousands.
LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN.

Let your light shine-not you. It is this which bas often given the gravest bandie to Which bas often given the gravest
the world - men have too frequently made use of God's light to show up their own trifte or graces. There are lamps so loaded with painted figures and ornamentation that the light does little more than display these, and there are people who are for ever speaking about God, but it is not difficult to see that their God is made strictly in their own image, and so thes darken with self the light thas should speak for the Light of Lights. Miciael Angelo was accustomed to sticlr a caudle on his paste board cap, so that he might not fiing the shadow of himself on the work he was doing.

This is a great, a covetable grace in things spiritual, which we all need to seek after. "Let your light shine before men"-not upon them, like a policeman's lantern flashed sud. denly before a detected and frightened criminal-but belore them with steady winsomeness that cannot fail in the epd to attract their thoughts and hearts.

1 knew a rich and godly merchant who was solicited for a subscription for a philanthropic object. He vas busy, but at once said he would give $£ 5$. On the sheet being presented to him on which to sign his name and giff, he saw that a neighbouring merchant had subscribed $£ 50$. "What's this? what's this ?" he asked; "this matter must be more important than I thought. Tell me more about it," and in the end he subscribed £50 also. By the first merchant letting his light shine, the second one saw his good worlss, and so he also glorified the Father whose Spirit was in them both, "but," as he said, "if I had not seen that man's light I would not have known the importance of this work."

How many good works languish alone for want of a little light cast upon them $1-$ not that ve, but that our Father may be glorifed. How differently all things look when light is cast upon them 1 How the dullest country lane becomes as a bit of Paradise in the bright sunshine I Even so may the self. evident light of love for God shed such a beauty on the commonest deed done for His sake as to lift men's. thoughts unconsciously to the great Fount of all goodness and gladness. Solet your light shine.-C. in the Londin Presbyterian.

WHAT IS YOCR ATMOSRHERE?
There is an earthly and also a heavenly atmosphere. No true life abounds in the earthly atmosphere; the highest, purest, sweetest, and strongest life thrives and throbs n the heavenly. But we do not need to go to heaven to find and enjoy the heavenly atmos phere. It bas been brought down $t 0$ us by the soul of Christ and the breath of the Holy Spirit. God's atmosphere is created where ever His presence finds abiding place, and wherever a Christian soul wili hold communion with Him. True, God is everywhere, in the sense that He sees all things, and that all things are upheld by His power; but there are certain places where He is especially present, where He has promised to meet His loving and loved people. It is in the prayerroom, in the consecrated closet, in the hallowed sanctuary, and even in the solitary byplaces where the devout heart yearns to pour out its ardent adorations into the ear of a listening Father. There is a peciuliar atmosphere in such places. It is the atmos. phere of God. Doctor Arnold, of Rugby, said; "We too much live, as it were, out of God's atmosphere." Indeed ave do! And it often betrays itself in our speech, our lack of spirituality, and our leanness of life. Let us get into it, and keep there.-Zion's Herald.

## CONSCIENCE.

It is a strange and solemn power which conscience wields. In your secret soul you commit a sin. It is a mere passing thought, perhaps. No human eye has seen it, no tongue will ever speak of, yet even in the dark. you blush at it. You are degraded in your own: eyes. You ieel gailty and wretched. And this guilty wretchedness does not pass away. It may at any time revive. Conscience comes, to us in lonely hours. It wakens us in the night. It stands at the side of our bed, and says, "Come, wake up and listen to me $1^{\circ}$ And there it holds us with its remorseless eve and buried sins rise out of the grave of the past. They march by in melancholy proces sion, and we lie in terror looking at them. No: body knows but oursclves. Next morning we go forth to business with a smiling face, but conscience has had its revenge. - 7 h Rev.James Stalker.

I believe that remorse is the least actire of all men's moral senses.-Thackeray.

Scrupulous people are not suited to grail Áffaira.-Terrgot.

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## DR. M'CLITRE AND CHINA

The Montreal Herald, of a recent date, gives the following particulars of an interview with one of our missionaries to China, now on furlough
Five years ago Dr. McClure, who is wel known in Montreal, was Medical Superintendent of the General Hospital, being a clever surgeon and popular personally. His heart was in mission work, and he early came to the determination to make his profession of service to the cause he loved. His applica tion to the Board of Missions of the Presby terian Church to be sent out to China as a medicial missionary was granted instantly and he was ordained and sent to the country a few months later. His station is Chu-Wang, in Northern Honan. When asked for some details of the work there he said:
"Our station was opened four years ago, and the progress made since that is satisfactory. Just after it was opened we experienced some opposition from some of the gentry of the vicinity, and our place was looted. We
received compensation in full, however, and since that time we have never been molest ed. The number of missionaries varies; we have had as many as three families there There are two native workers, and two atives in the medical department who do very well indeed. Several converts have been baptized. If, at the end of the year's probation which we insist on as a test of thei sincerity, they have remained faithful we will baptize them.
'What class of country is Chu-Wang situated in?
'A very thickly-populated district, something like 500 to the square mile. It is a fairly good country for China, but the people are very poor and ignorant. Few of the men can read or write, and there is no pretence hatever of educating the women. Our station is eighty miles from the nearest missionary point north, fifty from a station to the south, and it is about 130 miles to the next stations east and west. So yon see we have an immense territory to cover, but we work on hopefully and prayerfully, satisfied that all his work will have its result some day.

I suppose you find that, being a medical man, many doors are opened to you that ould otherwise be closed?'

Yes, the medical missionary finds much to do. One result is the establishment of confidence in the missionaries generally. During the first year at Chu-Wang I got very litle to do, but last winter we had as many as eighty-one patients in our hospital, and they had unbounded faith in us. I need not tell you that native doctors and their methods are exceedingly primitive. Their medicines are usually some horrible compound, which ac omplishes good only by accident. Surgery never attempted.
Asked if he knew Miss Bemler and Miss Halverstone, who were reported to have been attacked in Honan, a suburb of Canton, he replied that he did not. He added that such reports needed confirmation, as frequently hey had proved without foundation.
Dr. McClure is accompanied by his wife, who went out to China as a missionary of the American Presbyterian Church ten years ago. They left on Wednesday for Pittsburgh, Mrs. McClure's home. During his furlough Dr. McClure intends to visit the hospitals of $\mathrm{Ne}_{\mathrm{w}}$ York, and probably some of the English ones also with a view of increasing his professional knowledge.

## THE STORY OF ABIDA BEGUM.

Abida Begum was a Mohammedan woman who lived in Fyzabad, and was a pupil of Miss Fallon's ; she became convinced that Jesus Cbrist is the true and only Saviour, and determined to become a Christian ; ber young. est son, although he did not know much, reved to go with his mother.
They left their home secretly, and went to the Zenana Mission at Fyzabad, from which
the mother received instruction and training in the Converts' Home for Women, and the son in a school in connection with the Ameri can Presbyterian Mission.

After spending nearly a year in Allahabad they went to Benares, where Abida Begum was employed in working for the Zenana Mission, and showed herself very much in earnest in striving to lead her fellow-countrywomen to the Saviour

Her son had a shop in the city for the sale of embroidery, and one day while in the market on business he met a young cousin of his. This cousin asked him why he and his mother had left their relations and joined the Christians, to which he replied, ' We did it for our salvation.' Then answered the cousin, 'I want to know the true way of salvation; will you take me home with you and teach me? Accordingly, the young Mohammedan went home with his cousin, and from what he saw and heard in this Christian home, he determined that he, too, would follow Jesus, and after a time of instruction and probation he was baptized.

Next door to the little shop kept by Abida Begnm's son was a tailor's shop, in which a Mohammedan of the name of Yaqub Khan was employed ; he became friends with his Christian néighbour, and often came and sat by him in order to hear him read and explain the New Testament. At last his master said to Yaqub Khan, ' If you continue to listen to that Book you will become a Christian. I cannot employ you unless you promise to give it up.'

I cannot give it up,' he replied, 'for it is a good book.' The result of this was that Yaqub Khan was dismissed by his master and soon after he was admitted into the outward Christian church by baptism. At first he had difficulty in obtaining work, but he has since gone to live in Allahabad, where he is able to support himself by his needle, as he did when he was still a Mohammedan.The Zenana, or Woman's Work in India.

You know the Koreans have no chairs and keep their floors clean enough to sit on. So you sit on the floor, and your 'rice table' is brought in and placed before you. Their little tables are quite pretty, about a foot high, and I $1 / 2$ feet in diameter. In Seoul a very com. mon street sight is a boy carrying one of these tables over his head like a hat with a tea pot of wine hanging from a chain in his hand-taking some official's dinner to him. Of course the food is all "covered over to keep it warm and to keep out dust. Many dinner sets have a complete dish and cover for each article of food, so that it can be kept hot for a long time. The material used is largely brass, making a very handsome array when nicely polished ; but Korean and Japanese crockery is also much used, being cheaper but far less durable than the brass.

A carefully taken census of India by the British Government has just been published. The exact population is $387,735,656$. Of this vast number those enumerated as Christians, after a century of heroic missionary eftort, amount to $2,250,000$. Of the comparatively little band, $1,500,000$ are Roman Catholics, 300,000 (including 70,000 European soldiers) are reckoned as belonging to the Church of England, and 400,000 counted are enrolled as connected with nonconformist Christians. Even if not one had been converted, still the command of our Lord rings out like a trumpet from heaven, ' Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature ;' and it is better to go in simple obedience,'to His
order than in the delusive hope of order than in the
brilliant success.
The Hindus are entering into leagues to banish the missionaries from their zenanas. A Calcutta native newspaper says it has long
seen that something serious is the mater seen that something serious is the matter with
womankind in India, and has been able, at womankind in India, and has been able, at
length, to locate and define the root of the evil and peril. It says: 'It is the lady of the Zenana Mission, inoffensive in appearance, who introduces herself into the apartments of our women to turn their heads upside down. The mistresses of zenanas receive them with eagerness. If these missionaries succeed, it is all over with Hinduism.'

So far as is certainly known, only about one million people in Africa have been actually reached by the gospel. There are one
hundred thousand native Christians.

## PULPIT, PRESS AND PLATFORM.

Epworth Herald: Religion and industry are old friends.

Ram's Horn: Truth never dodges, no matter who shoots.

United Presbyterian: Do the clouds withhold their rain because the people of God have failed to seek His favor?

James Anthony Froude: Truth only smells sweet forever ; and illusions, however innocent, are deadly as the cankerworm.

Drummond: It is for active service soldiers are drilled and trained and fed and armed. That is why you and $I$ are in the world at all-not to prepare to go out of it some day, but to serve God actively in it now.

Cumberland Presbyterian: Whom have you made happier to-day? Whom have you spoken kindly to? Have you been a helper or a hinderer? Well will it be for us if, every day, we can make sure that we have been a blessing to somebody.

Montreal Gazette: The address of the Rev. T. C. Madill, should be sufficient to seal the death warrant of the Canadian branch of the P. P. A. When a minister of the gospel threatens to support intolerance by bloodshed, people of common sense should be convinced that this sort of a crank is dangerous.

Vancouver World: We are all seeking by different ways the same goal ; let us make a Heaven out of earth by pursuing the Golden Rule, doing unto others as we would have them do unto us. If we all observed this cardinal principle of the faith we boast, this would be a beautiful world and a glorious one in which to dwell.

Presbyterian Witness: Activity, energy, public spirit, self-sacrifice have characterized the whole public career of Lord Aberdeen, and with all his work the Countess is honorably associated. That they may long live to adorn their high position and utilize its varied advantages to the greatest good of the country and the greatest glory of God is the prayer of their countless admirers and wellwishers.

Presbyterian Banner: Losing the temper takes all the sweet, pure feeling out of life. You may get up in the morning with a clean heart, full of song, and start out as happy as a bird, and the moment you are crossed and you give way to your temper, the clean feeling vanishes and a load as heavy as lead is rolled upon the heart, and you go through the rest of the day feeling like a culprit. And anyone who has experienced this feeling knows that it cannot be shaken off, but must be prayed of.

Rev. R. E. Kñowles: We have been startled by the recent outrage in Quebec into reluctant recognition of the fact that Protestantism must turn from its chronic protection of Catholicism, to the protection of itself. Outbreaks like those of Montreal, of Sorel, and of Quebec, have had no reasonable provocation, and will not long be tolerated by a Protestant country. We deplore the existence of the Protestant Protective Association, but it is folly to scout the idea of its necessity, so long as Catholics themselves contribute so freely to the arguments in its favor.

Forward : There is no law in Nature or Revelation that demands the use or traffic in alcohol as a beverage. Christ's law of love demands its suppression. History, science, the chorus from millions of bleeding hearts, appeal to our humanity for succour and protection for the rising generation. The love of gain is the inspiration of the traffic. It depends upon cradled innocence for its future. It looks upon minors as its legitimate prey. It cannot exist without them. While priest, prophet and statesmen accept license bribes, high or low, the traffic will gather the minors in, and there will be a perennial stream flow. ing on to perdition.

## Teacher and 5cholar.

$\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Sept. T } 6 \text { thh } \\ \text { 1804. }\end{array}\right\}$ JESUS AT JACOB'S WELL $\left\{\begin{array}{c}\text { John iv. } \\ 9.26 .\end{array}\right.$


After the conversation with Nicodemus, Tesus left Jerusalem and went into the country, still somewhere in the Province of Judea, where He remained for a time. The people flocked to Him, and His disciples baptized many. The Pharisees sought to make trouble between Jesus and John the Baptist, and Jesus withdrew and went to Galilee. His route lay through Samaria, and it was on this occasion that He held the conversation recorded o our present lesson.
The Woman of Samaria, v. 9.-Jesus was weary after His long journey afoot, on the hot roads, and, coming to the well, He sat village to buy food. While Hples went to the woman came to the well. Jesus, being thirsty asked her to give Him a drink of being thirsty, asked her to give Him a drink of water. How
is it? The woman was surprised at the request. Something in the Lord's dress or speech showed that He was a Jew. A woman of Samaria. "A Samaritan woman." That it was a woman of whom He had asked the favor made it still more strange.
The Gift of God, v. Io.-What God

The Gift of God, v. 10.-Whatt God offered, was now offering to her, what He could give
to her. Chap. iii. 16. Thou wouldst bave to her. of Bim. Instead of His asking her for a drink of common water, if she had known a drink of common water, if she had known give her living water. He would have given give her living water. He would have given giver; but in fact she was the one in need, and He the divine giver.

Sir, v. II.-An address of respect, differing from the woman's pert address in v. 9. Christ's her. Nothing to draw with. The was puzzled. What did He mean? This well contained living water, but He had This well draw with, and therefore He could not refer to this water. She could not understand. The well is deep. So deep that it was impossible for Him to get the water from its spring Living water. Literally, flowing spring-water, in contrast with water from a cistern. See Gen. xxvi. 19 (margin). Art Thou greater? v . 12. Surely Thou art not greater. Our father Jacob. The Samaritans claimed to be descendants of Joseph, through Ephraim and Manasseh. However, their real origin is in
doubt. See II. Kings xviii 24-4I. Authories doubt. See II. Kings xvii. 24-41. Authorities differ. Whosoever. ${ }^{\text {Vv. }}$ I3, I4. "Every shall give. The living water referred to. In him a well. Christ gives life to dwell in the heart as a fountain. Into everlasting life. on Christ one has eternal life. John v. 24 .

Give me this water, v. i5.-She does not understand, but she thinks that what He has to give must be valuable, and so she asks Him for it. Her words show that she had not yet gotten the spiritual meaning of Christ's words.
Call thy husband. v. 16.-Christ was dealing with her soul, and would lead her to see her sin. Therefore He touched the guilt-spot in her life. I have no husband. vv. 17, 18 . Christs words had touched her heart, and she confessed to her sinful life. Thou hast well
said. Christ shows His said. Christ shows His perfect knowledge of her life. Five husbands. All dead or divorced. Our fathers worshipped, v. 20. Since He was a prophet she would ask Him for informabetwon the great question ever in dispute between her people and the Jews. This mountain. Gerizim. The Samaritans claimed that here Abraham offered Isaac and met Melchisedec.
That which ye know not what, v. 22:"That which ye know not." The Samaritans accepted only the Pentateuch, and even that they had garbled to suit themselves; their korship was therefore mutilated and their knowledge of God but partial. We know what we worship. "We worship that which we know. The hour is words. Salvation is of the Jews. The hour cometh, and now is, v. 23. Even now God sought the spiritual worship, the worship rising above place and all externals. True worshippers. Those alone who worship in spirit and in truth are true worshippers. In spirit. That part of the nature which is spiritual-not carnal or material, and which is capable of holding intercourse with God, who is a Spirit. In truth. Intelligently, really. I know that Messias.
Samaritans also looked cometh, v. 25. The Samaritans also looked for the Messiah, and of Him . I that speak unto inteligent ideas of Him . This was christ's unto thee am He. his Messiahship. He made Himself known to her because He found in her himself known to to receive Him. The woman believed aness to receive Him. The woman believed, and flocked to the well to see Jesus , and they flocked to the well to see Jesus. At their request He remained two days with them, and

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thinks he would have a "good show" for a bishopric in a united church, his expectations might modify his theory of ordination.

FOR years the city of Pullman has been set before the public as a model community. Recent investigations show that it is nothing of the kind. The stories told about Pullman and other models, lead any thinking man seriously to discount much that he hears on the platform. We don't know anything that the general public need so much to learn as to be p. icular about the facts of any given case. The enormous swallow of some audiences is equalled only by the enurmous fictions of sume of the orators that address them. Be care ful about your facts is a good rule that admits of no exception

THIS summer has been full of conventions and big gatheringsofone kind and another. The Endeavor Conventions in Cleveland was the greatest gathering of the kind ever held in the world. The Baptist demonstration in this city was a great success in point of numbers, though its precise value as a moral and religious factor it might be hard to estimate. Grimsby had a successful time. Varibus other big meetings have been held. Now it is high time to get down to actual work with individual men, and try to bring them to Christ. These big demonstrations are very deceptive. There is little or no actual work in them.

RESPECTING the Knox College Jubilee Fund the time for action has come; it must be energetic and decisive. Let every friend of Knox who wishes it well, pray tor its prosperity; but let him practice as he prays. Send the amount of your interest in a cheque, Post Office or Express Ørder or the money by the first opportunity, to Rev. Wm Burns, Room 64, Confederation Life Building, To ronto Let the graduates, too, bestir themselves to call on all the friends in their congregation, who are just waiting to be called on, in order that this debt may be swept away. Additional subscriptions have been received this week-from Dr. King, Winniper ${ }^{\text {r }}$ \$100; Mrs. McCalla, St. Catharines, $\$ 100$.

UST one month until the sons of Knox and their friends gather to celebrate the semi-centennial of the institution. Two things should be done. There should be a readable account of the early days of the college, written if possible by some one who knows the early history of the institution, and knows how to write it. Dr. Gregg has given the bare facts in a way that no one can hope to excel. What the friends of the institution should to excel. have is incidents, reminiscences, good anecdotes now have is inciaents, reme. Reid and Wardrope did some capital work in this line at the Queen's Jubilec. Let a similar work be done for Kiox. The other thing that should be done this month is to :aise $\$ 26,000$ to remove the mortgage on the college building. We hope the friends of the institution are already at work.

THE death of Mr. McDougall, of Berlin, touch ed the heart of many an old friend. Viewed as a man, or as a Presbyterian, or as a member of the press, Mr. McDougall had few peers. He was a brave and trusty, man ever ready to do or suffer for his friends. He was devoutedly attached to his church and was always proud to avow and defend his Presbyterianism. With his associates on the press he was always popular and his enthusiasm for journalism was onc of his mary marked characteristics. If any man seemed to deserve a quiet old age that man was Mr. D. McDougall. But it was otherwise ordered. His death was caused mainly by worry on account of financial trouble for which he was not more than technically responsible. He was a kindly, generous, sensitive, honourable man and his death is keenly feit by many old friends throughout Ontario.

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 K. JAMES DENNEY has been worshipping in some of the American churches and he the following comparisons:It is, in a way, pleasanter to go to church in America han here; there is more sunshine in the building, there is more music, the minister does not seam to be carrying such a burden, nor letting the people feel the weight of it so much. Not that I always likethe music; it strikesastranger, sometimes, as rather professional for the occasion, and a solo, which is not an inspiration is very apt to be an afliction. But here my prejudices may ba as great as my experis. and l give this passing impression for mo more than it
worth. I am very sorry that I heard so little preachingseven sermons in all. But two out of those seven vere im. pressive and memorable in the highest degree-one rich it every imaginative aud poelic virtue, as well as in the inspiration, all through, of one sublime thought ; the other simple, direa and powerful, carrying in it every atom of the preacher strength, physical and spiritual, and reminding meirresisioh of Mr. Spurgeon. What minister would not courpet preached well two times out of seven? Not, of course the other five did not preach well, but they attained not to the? twor
two

All of which is pleasant reading, but may not bs quite trustworthy as a test of the preaching. The two brethren who preached so much better than all, may not have come up to the mark on the fl lowing Sab' ath. The five who preached only well, may have surpassed themselves next Lord's Daj, No man should be judred by one sermon. A in ind preacher always varies. The only man who preaches always the same is the one who preaches so badif that he cannot get any worse.

## QRDINARY SABBATH TALK.

HOW far has the ordinary run of pro essed Sabbath sanctifiers and sanctuary ,requen is the Sabbath e the answer to the question, "Hot and solemnly endor-ed. It is to be feared a ve. considerable way. Out of the abundance of th heart, we arc told, the mouth speaketh. Throw th: or more people together, who are supremely interes. ed in one paiticular moiter, and it may be taken a be discussed in that in a short time that matter $\$$ interest. Even the dullest becomes never flagsin, that which lies nearest his heart and $t$ uches his terest mose closely, comes up for discussion apply the same law to religion and Sabbath conve sation, and how does it stand? Rather curious: we fear, in the experience of very many, if not 9 most. Time was, away back toward the begir ning of this century, and still more toward the es of the last, that in not a few quarters, the Sabbat morning salutation, whether in the home or on way to church was,-"I have news to tell yo brother ; the Lord is risen indeed." It came as na ural to them as to breathe, and till it became a me lifeless tradition, the repetition, howeve. often mad did not weaken the interest or dull the joy. Ro ind th fact, Resurrection, the whole talk revolved. As Bu : yan has it, "All the talk was of the Lord of the hi of what He was, and what He did, and why I Ie $\dot{a}$ what He did, and why He built this house." Iive one knows the rest.

How is it now? Let our readers speak for the selves and give their experience of what is usual their particular circles. We rather think that by in going to and returning from church, as well as much of the home Sabbath life and conversait secular topics put sacred greatly into the shac if they do not eclipse them altogether. T ermon and its subject are speedily dismissed 2 something suspiciously like idle gossip seems eceive rea ier and more sustained attention, to awaken an amount of interest which presuma weightier and more important matters, almost, ift altogether, fail to evoke.

We bring no railing accusation; but, gef reader, how do you think of this? or what may your own experience and practice?

## LORD SALISBURY'S ADDRESS.

THE remarkable address of the Marquis of isbury, at the opening meeting in Oxford British Association for the Advancement Science, on the 8th of last month, has created mense interest in England and is destined to do wherever it is read the world over. We regret our space will not allow us to give the address full, so we must rest satisfied with indicating general drift and giving a few extracts from som: gestive and is calculated, as it was no doubt in ed, to lead some of our wise men, and more of sciolists, to the cultivation of the much negle graces of modesty and self-diffidence.

In these days when science in almost every partment has made such remarkable advances, many have been in danger of allowing their hey to be lifted up wios pride and to leel convinced to they knew all mysteries ánd were justified garding the supernatural as a thing of the past quite as unnecessary and incredible as an wife's " dream. The noble Marquis calls upon but especially upon those whom this so-c
knowledge has "puffed up." to coñsider for a little not the vast extent of human knowledge, but the inconceivably vaster of human ignorance.
"The unsolved mysteries of science" are so many and of such a character as to lead even the wisest, to exclaim. Behold we know not dinything." Sir Isaac Newton's modest estimate of his own achievements may still be adnpted with ever growing emphasis by the most illustrious of his suc-
cessors; and while now, as afuretime, "Knowledge cessors ; and while now, as afuretime, "Knowledge
may be proud that it has learned so mul Wisd may be proud that it has learned so much, Wisdom
is and always will be humble that it kno. 10

The Marquis put the case in this way:-
A study of the addresses of my learned predecessors in
 you of the salient points in the ennars of sciencesce since remind the association visited the town in which he is speraking. Most
of them have been able to lay before you in anllits interestiny detail the history of the part.cular science of which each one of them was the eminent representative. II I were to make
any such autempt I should any such attempt I should only be telling you with very inadequate knowledge a story which is from time time told you,
as well as it can be told, by men who are comperiat to deal as well as it can be told, by men who are compercat to deal
with it. It will be more suitable to my capacity if I devote the few olservations I have to make to a survey not of our science but of our tgnorance. We live in a survall bright oans of knowledge surrounded on all sides by a vast unexplored region of impenetrable mystery. From age to age the strenuous labor of successive generations wins a smatl strip from the desert and pushes forward the boundary of knowledge. Of such triumphs we are justly proud. It is a less attractuve
task -but yet it has its fascination as well as its uses-to turn our eyes to the undiscovered country which still remains to be won, to some of the stupendous problems of natural study which still defy our investigation. Instead, therefore, of recounting to you what has been done, or trying to forecast the
discoveries of the future, I would rather draw your attention discoveries of the luture, I vould rather draw your attent!on
to the condition in which we stand towards three or four of to the condition in which we stand towards three or four of
the most important physical questions which it has been the the most important physical ques
effort of the last century to solve.

This he proceeds to do with all frankness and, as professedily a mere layman in suinace, with all modesty: What, for instance, du we know of the
nature and origin of the sixty-five elements? We nature and origin of the sixty-five elements? We
may delude ourselves with words and try to be satisfied with make believes, but after all, the wisest and the most ignorant stand on the same level in the presence of such a question and such a mystery.
A third of them form the substance of this planet,
nother third are useful, but somewhat rare. The rematain, Another third are useful, but somewhat rare. The remanaia,
third are curiosities scattered traphazard, but very scan over the globe, with no other apparent functicn but to provide occupation for the collector and the chemist. Some of them are so alike each other that only a chemist can tell them apart; othe.s differ immeasurably from each other in every conceivable particular. In cohesion, in weight, in conducuvity
in melting point, in chemical proclivities they vary in every in melting point, in chemical proclivities they vary in every
degree. They seem to have as much relation to each other as the pebbles on the sea beach, or the contents of an ancient lumber room. Whether you believe that creation was the work of de ign or of inconscient law, it is equally difficult to
imagine how this random collection of dissimitar came together. Many have been the attempts to solve this cnigma; but up till now they have left it more impenetrable
than before. han before.

We are told that the earth was thrown off from the sun in the course of its coolings nd revolutions.
How, then, comes it to pass that the elements which How, then, comes it to pass that the elements which
make upthegreat bulk of the earth are not found even in the minutest quantities in that from which we are assured it orginally came? We don't know. Nobody does. The fact is there, or is said to be, but
the kow or the w/hy of it is as much a mystery as it was when the question was first asked, or when man first looked wise in order to conceal his ignornce.
The upshot is, as the Marquis has it, that all these successive triumphs of research, Dalton's, Kirchhoff s, Mendeleeff's,
greatly as they have added to our store of knowledge, greatly as they have added to our store of knowledge,
bave gone bu: little way to solve the problem which the elementary atoms have for centuries presented to mankind. or a thing, or a vortex, or a point having inertua, whether or a thing, or a vortex, or a point having inertia, whether
there is any limit to its divisibility, and, if so, how the limit is imposed, whether the long list of elements is final, or Whether any of them have any common origin, all these questions remain surrounded by a darkness as profound as ever. The dream which lured the alchemists to their tedious labors, and which may be sand to have called chemistry into being, has assuredly not been realized, but it has not yet been
refuted. The boundary of our knowledge in this direction remains where it was many centuries ago.

What about ether? What about the problem of life? What about natural selection? Always the same weary and humiliating reply, "We don't know." The time required to develop a jelly fish into, say, a man, must in any case be so prodigiously long, that the mathematician and the biologist cannot agree, for their data are mutually destructive. The jellylong ago as the exigencies of the biologists require, the earth's heat in those remote days being clearly too strong to give said jelly-fish a chance. And what is behind all these chemical and other changes If the idea of an intelligent planner is ruled out as,
unscientific? Professor Weisman, Darwin's dis-
tinguished disciple, is guished disciple, is quoted as saying
We accept natural selection, not because we are able to demonstrate the process in detail, not even because wa can
with more or less ease with more or less ease imagine it, but simply because we
must-because it is the only possible explanation that we can concelve. We must assume natural selection to be the principle of the explanation of the metamorphoses, because all other apparent principles of explanation fail us, and it is inconceivable that there cou'd vet be another capable of ex. plaining the adaptation of or
help of a principle of design.
Exactly! Anything rather than admit the possibility of design and a designer, even though this may involve the belief in what is unknown, unproved, improbable, nay, to all appearance, impossible.

Lord Salisbury puts this with such point and clearness that we feel we shall be excused in giving the following somewhat lengthened extract:-

There is the difficuly. We cannot demonstrate the process of natural selection in detail; we cannot even, with more or less east, imagine it. It is purely hypothesis at work No man, so far as we know, has ever seen it at work. hertarce, and in the struggle for existence the bearer of 1 " may bave replaced, by virtue of the survival of the fittest, his less improved competitors; but, as far as we know, no man or succession of men have ever observed the whole process in
any single case, any sing e case, and certatnly no man has recorded the obser-
vation. Variation by artificial selection, of course, we know very well ; bus the intervention of the cattle breeder and the pireon fancier is the essence of artificial selection. It is effected by their action in crossing, by their skill in bringing
the right mates together to produce the progenture they the right mates together to produce the progeniture they
want But in natural selection who is to suppiy the breeder's plare? Jnless the crossing is properly arranged, the new breed will never come into being. What is to secure that the wo individuals of opposite sexes in the primeval forest, who have been both accidentally blessed with the same advantagous varration, shall meet, and transmit by inhertance that the modification will never Coless this step is made good, the moditication will never get a start, and yet there is
nothing to insure that step, except pure chance. The law of chance takes the place of the catte breeder and the pigeon fancier. The biologists do well to as\% for and immeasurable expanse nf time, if the ociasional meetiogs of advantageously varied couples trom age to age are te provide the pedigree of modifications which unite us to our ancestor the jelly-fish. fittest, would in the stronger breed over the weaker. But predominance of the stronger breed over the weaker. But it would be of no use in
setting the improved breed going. There would not be time setting the improved breed going. There would not be time. Nort time that clapses in a single life our experience in the short time that elapses in a single life between the moment aried individual to clear the field of all would enable the by slaughtering or starving them out. But unless the struggle by slaughtering or starving them out. But unless the struggle there would be nothing but mers chance to secure thater, advantage usly varied bridegroom at one end of the the shou:d meet the bride, who by a happy cone end of the wood advantageously varied in the same direction at had been time at the other end of the wood. It would the same chance if they ever knew of each other's existence-a still more unlikely chance that they should resist on both sides all teraptations to a less advantagcous alliance. But in sides all did so, the new breed would never even begin, let alone the question of its perpetuation after it had begun. I think the Weismann is justified in saying that we cannot, either with more or less ease, imagine the process ut natural selection

Time was, and that not so long ago, when the belief in creative design was supreme. Even those who least believed in it paid it formal homage that they might not shock the public conscience by appearing to deny. But now, great philosophers, or those who would fain pose as such, rather than seem to acknowledge such a heresy, take refuge, like Professor Weisman, in a theory which requires a faith in the impossible compared with which that in medixval miracles was veritably a "walking by sight," for it verily "removes mountains." Hear the conclusion of the whole matter, as given by Lord Kelvin, twenty years ago, and quoted by Lord Salisbury as voicing his own views:
l have always felt that the hypothesis of natural selection does not contain the true theory of cevolution, if evolution there has been in biology. . . I feel profoundly convinced that the argument of design has been greatly too much lost sight of in recent zoological speculations. Overpoweringly strong proofs of intelligent and benevolent design he around us, and if ever perplexities, whether metaphysical or scientific, turn us away from them for a time, they come back upon us with irresistible force, showng to us through nature things depend on one everlasting Creaching us that all hiving things depend on one everlasting Creator and Ruler.

## CHILDREN'S DAY.

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THE annual "Children's Day " appointed by the General Assembly is approaching and the Sabbath School Committee have prepared a special service for the occasion on the subject of tha Foreign Missions of our church. Sample copies are being mailed as rapidly as possible to every minister and S. S. superintendent. The service is simple and
scriptural, bright and instructive. It can be tand scriptural, bright and instructive. It can be taken
up by any school without previous rehearsal the hymons are familiar, being takeñ exclusively from
the "Children's Hymnal." By the kindness of the
Forcign Mission Committee a copy of their report to Forcign Mission Committee a copy of their report to the last General Assembly will be enclosed in each parcel for the information of speakers, also an interesting leaflet for scholars, "Why should I contribute to Foriegn Missions," that ought to bepasted in their Bibles. As miny of these will de sent as of services ordered. Orders may be sent to the prinier, Mr. C. Blackett Robinson, 5 Jordan St., Toronto, Ont., or to the convener, Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, iof Hazen
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furnished absolutely free to all so that no school can plead poverty as a reason for not enjoying the use of them. Those that are able are expected to send a contribution in return, for which they get credit as a voluntary donation : but those that cannot, or, for
any reason do not support the work of the committee, are none the less welcome to have them, since the object mainly is to interest our schools in Foreign Missions and unite the whole church in a ser-
vice of prayer on behalf of our Sabbath Schools.. It vice of prayer on behalf of our Sabbath Schools.. It
is earnestly recummended that the congregation be invited to join with the school in the special service, or that it be held at one of the crdinary diets of vorship We ask and expect a rich spiritual blessing as the result of our Children's Day meetings.

## KNOX COLLEGE.

[T may be of interest in connection with the Jubilee services of Knox College, to recall some points in its history that will be alike worthy of note by those interested in Theological education, and to the many ministers in our church who are proud to call Knox their Alma Mater.
Knox College was the result of the Disruption in the Church of Scotland, which took place in Scotland in 1843, and in Canada in 1844 . At that time the attendance upon Theological classes was numerically small, and while the majurity cast in their lot with the sparating body, the attendance upon the classes in Knox was only fourteen the first year. Since that time, with all the changes, the attendance has gradually increased, until last year ninety-two were in attendance on the classes in Theology alone, while over fifty were in preparation for entrance upon the classes in Theology. We may naturally expect foum the proximity of Knox to the University, where a considerable proportion of the students are Presbyterians, that the attendance upon the classes in Knox will increase from year to year, and that the cry which is now prevalent about the want of men to man our mission stations will be largely met.

Knox College has been favored with not a few men of great practical ability in the professorial staff, and it is fitting that the attention of the church should be called at this point of time to the necessity for an increase in the staff of the college, in
order that the increasing requirements of the preorder that the increasing requirements of the pre-
sent day in theological teaching may be fully

It is the intention at the time of the Jubilee meeting, to secure the presence of leading repre-
sentatives from other colleges, and to show the sentatives from other colleges, and to show the
brotherly feeling that exists in Knox towards other institutions of a kindred nature, but it is a proper thing, at the same time, to draw the attention of our p. pple to the necessity for maintaining Knox Col-
lege in a high state of efficiency-in such a state of lege in a high state of efficiency-in such a state of
efficiency, indeed, as will make it educationally a fit representative, of the Presbyterian Church. We, as Presbyterians cannot afford to take a second place in theological and literary standing for our ministers, and at a time like this it is proper than an appeal should be made to the chnrch so that its governing body may be able to secure for the ColAmony other teachin-- staff.
Among other things in view, in the Jubilee Fund which the friends are seeking to raise, the chief idea is this very worthy object of worthily supporting the position which Presbyterians $c$. .m in regard to education, and we hope that the friends of Knox will
unitedly secund the efforts of those who are seeking unitedly secund the efforts of those who are seekng
this desirable end. While many of the this desirable end. While many of the Presbyterian body might contribute their hundreds, there are very
many who might give from $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 20.00$ each, many who might give from $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 20.00$ each,
without missing it, and a large number of such contributions would effectually relieve the College from its present burden of debt.

It is the intention at the time of the Jubilee to present a complete historical statement, and we will refrain, at present, from touching further "pon the history of the Institution. We may in another issue, refer to some of the distinguished men who have imparted instruction in old Knox.

Meantime, wishing the College every success, we would say to th
to do his duty.

## Tbe Jfamily Circle.

MY MENDINC-MASLET.
It is made of the stoutest of willuw ;
Yet the Giulf Stream that flows through its hooders Seems always to stand at flood-tide!
And the garments lie heaped on earh other I look at them often and sigh, Shall I ever be able to grapple
With a pute that has gruwn two feet high
Therc's a top layer, always, of slockings ;
These arrive and depart every day, And the thugs that are playing "button hutton" Also leave without any delay
Mut, ah, underncath there are strata
Buied deen as the earth's eocene: Things put there the lirst of the autumn. Stil there when the teees have grown gree
There are thangs to be ripped and made over ; There are things that grve out in the
There are intricate tasks-all awaiting There are intricate tasks-all awaiting Will it come? Shall $Y$ ever prossess it ? I start with fresh hope every day. Like 2 will-o'the-wisp it allures me;

For the basket has never been empty, During all of ats hardened carcer,
But once, fur a feil fleetine moments,
When the bahy upset it, last year

- Bessic Chandler. in Harfer's Ba:ar.

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MAKJORIE'S CANADIAN WINTER

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CHAPTER VIll.-CONinUED.
O, Effie ! bow did you do it ?' exclamed Marion: but pour Effie could not speak for the sobs that shook her lutle frame, and Norman had the magnanimity to coofess that it was partly his fault ; that they wanted to get a plaything that had been put up oa the same high shelt, and he had been trying to hold Effic up to get it, when, just as she was taking it down, it dislodged the cup, and then Effie herself had fallen asid brused her forehead.

It was a great vexation for Marion, but she conquered it bravely, and taking Effie up in her arms, began to examine the bump on her brow, while Alan, who had just come in, too, went to get something to bathe it with. But Effie only sobbed out
'I don't mind the hump, Marion ; it's the cup. Will it mend?'
'No, dear,' said Marion; 'I must just try to get another done yet. But you know you and Norman have often been told not to try to get things down for yourselves. And if you had been good, obectient children, the cup wouldn't have been broken.'
' $O$, Marion! I won't ever, evertry again !' she exclaimed, and Norman, standieg by silent and rueful, looked as pentent as she did.

Marjorie thnught she loved Marion twice as much when she saw the motheily sweetness with which she soothed the still sobbing child, telliog her and Norman that nothing was to be said about the cup to Mrs. Ramsay who was out, as of course she was to know nothing about it till Chistmas Day. And she promised to take five cents from Effic's and Norman's littie hoard of savings, towards the purchase of a new cup, while Marjorie heroically oficered-confidentially - to take Marion's place in helping Nillie to dress a doll intended for a Christmas gift to Effie, so that Marion should have more time for ber painting.

And finally, in order to cheer up the two downcast childrea, Marjoric offered to do what they had becn daily teasing her to do ; go and take a stoc on their littic toboggan, down the very moderate sized slide the children used, in a field close by. So she had her Girst experiedce there, under Aiais's supervis jor Norman sicering, while she, onls a light weight, sat tucked toto the front, making hetself as small as ste could. As we all know, it is gederally, as the French say, "ge gregnier thas gri cosstc;" and now that she had-not abroken the ice, but-iried the snow-stide, she felt as if she could veniure another on a larger scale, with less eervousaess and more pleasure than she had felt before, when looking at the sharp inclined planes crected for the slippery descent.
' It looks a little dreadful at first,' Millie admitted; ' but every tume you go down you like it better. And when you know just what the toboggan's going to do, you're ' 10 more afraid of it than of skating.'

Mariorie had learned to skate a little at home by her father's desire, and her cousins were going to take her to the rink by and by; but just at present there were too many other things to do, and the skating was not sn much of a novelty as these.

When they got home, just as the lints of a soft tunter sunset were fading out of the pink and amber sky, Norman ran to tell his mother, as usual, what they had been doing. 'And Effic had a fall and got a bump,' he added incautiously.
"What! not off the toboggan!' exclaimed Mrs. Ramsay, who was always a little nervous about this sport, though she knew her husband liked the children to do, within reasonably safe limits, whatever developed courage and muscle.

O, no! it was when the =up-oh, dear, 1 forgot ! That's a secret, you know, namma, so you mustn't ask about it.'
Mrs. Ramsay was quite accustomed to the little ones' blundering attempts to keep their Christmas secrets, and she was verv careful always to respect their innocent mysteries, and to avoid tempting them to untruth by unnecessary questions; and indeed deceit was a thing almost unknown in that household; for all knew that it was considered the gravest of all offences. So she only smiled a little as Norman went on:

It's only a secret, you kiow, because it's to be a surprise for you'-

But Millie cut Norman short: 'You stupld boy! can't you be quiet? It's nothing at all, mother, only Effie and Norman were pisying in the study, and Fifie fell and bumped her forehead.'

Well, never mind, dear, let me see the bump; and don't scold Norman. Little boys can only learn by experience when "silence is goldea." And I'd rather have him make ever so many blanders by frankness, than see him in the least sly.'

Effie soon recovered from her fall, the new cup was bought, and everybody tried to help Marion to get time to finish it. Marione detested dressing dolls as much as Marion liked it, but she would not let her cousin touch the one that she and Millie wrestled over for three whole evenings, after Effie was gone to bed, tull 'their baby' became a joke with everybody. For it was not a task that could be 'cobbled up' in a hurry. Effie had very decided views on the subject of dolls, and would scarcely have felt grateful, even at Christmas time, for the most beautiful doll whose clothes nere semed on, since the duty of dressing and undressing her doll was one of its greatest pleasures to her motherly little beart. Happily Marjorie had not any Christmas work of her own to do; for her father, who had, even in the burry of his own departure, procured appropriate gifts for each member of his sister's family, bad considerately counselledMarjoric to reserve them till Caristmas, knowing that she would naturally like to bave her share in the general interchange of gifts, and that she might be puzzled as to the selection. So she bad these safeiy stowed away in ber truak, each in its neat paper packei, inscribed with the dame of its owner, all ready for the Christmas tree.

For they were to have a Cbristmas-tree. Dr. Ramsay, though he often objected to what be would humorously style 'the monstrous regimen of childred,' declaring that everything nowadays was being made subservicnt to them and their enjoyment, almays felt that Christmas was more especially the 'chidren's festuval,' and endeavored to make it a ume of real happiness 10 bis owa family. And as he knew that one of the truest means of happiocss is to help to make others happy, he tried to make this an especial element of the Christmas pleasures.

On Christmas Eve, for tro or three Christmases past, be had given ap bis surgery for the evening, to the celcbration of the festwal and of the Christmas tree. The bops made a pilgnmage to a place on the Lachine road, where they had permission 20 select 2 suitable jouag spruce, which ras tastefolly
decorated with tapers, bright-tinted ornaments and bonbons. The children were allowed 10 invite some of their young friends, and the doctor invited his young friends- the children of a number of poor patients, who hav little chance of Christmas presents otherwise, and for whom small inexpensive, but welcome gifts were provided by Mrs. Ramsay and Marion. In this way the little assemblage soon grew to some thirty or forty children. And besides the Christmas-tree itself, Dr. Ramsay, with the invaluable assistance of Professor Duncan, always prepared a little exhibition for their entertainment. The professor had a large magic lantera or stersopticon for which be had, each year, some new and original dissolving views prepared. This he always extibited for the first time at the Christmas-tree, interpreting them as he went along, with what were as good as stories to the children. The year before he bad given them a series of views from Dickens' Cbristmas Carol,which had been exceedingly popular, but the subject was always a secret from every one but Dr. Ramsay, till the evening arrived. The little exhibition was frequently repeated during the winter tor large audiences at Sun-day-school festivals and similar celebrations; but it never came off with more zest and en-joyment-both to entertainers and entertain-ed-than it did at the Ramsay's Christmastree.

As soon as the growing moonlight made it practucable to enjoy going out after tea, Alan and Jack insisted on giving Marjorie her first lesson in snow-shoeing, when there would be no spectators-to speak of-to taugh at her first attempts. They had to walk some distance to reach a suitable open space at the eastern base of the mountain, and then Marion's snowshoes, borrowed for the time, were carefully strapped to Marjorie's moccasined feet by the long thongs of buckskin that tied the network to the front part of the sole, by being interlaced across the instep. Marjorie was shown how her toes were to rest ou the snow itself through the opening in the snow-shoe, so as to have the necessary spring for walking, while she was to take as long steps as possible, putting the foremost foot well in advance of the other, and keeping the snow-shoes exactly parallel with each other so as not to overlap, or 'interlere,' as Alan preferred to call it. As the snow-shoes she wore were very narrow ones, she did not find this very difficuli after a little practice, though just at first she got the loce narrow points behind interlocked two or three times, the result being a plunge into the snow, out of which she was pulled by ber cousins, amid much merriment. After two or three lessons, however, she could walk quite easily and lightly over the surface of the deep snow, and Alan declared that belore long she mould be able to run as he did, on her snow-shoes, a feat which appeared to her almost an impossible one.

Both the boys were quite eager that Marjoric and Millie should accompany them on their moontighe tramp ia search of the Christmas spruce, ad expedition in which Gerald was :o join tbem. But Mrs. Ramsay thought an eight mile tramp quite 100 much for Marjorie in her present state of 'training.' The boys were very unmilling to give up the plan, however, and Professor Duncan, hearing the discussion, declared that he should like tremendously to accompany them part of the way at least, and saggested that the girls go just as far as they felt able to manage, and be would escort them back And so it was accordiogly arranged. Professor Duncan came to sea, and shontly after setien the little party set out, carrying their snow-shoes till they bad got into somewhat open ground, where the snow afiorded them a convenient sorface on which so use them.

It was a glorious night. The moon, more that balf foll, bad the brilliancy which only a winter mood can have-shining from an unclouded sky over a landscape of dazzling white. Yet the brighter stars, at any rate, were not obscared, but shoae with diamondlike clearness against the deep gray-blue sky. The shadors of the leafiess boughs were defined on ibe pare white 3now as clearly as if penciled on its surface, and the feathery points of the pines and spruces were more
distinct in the silhouette than in the reality The air was keenly cold, but to the snow shoers it was only bracing and exhilarating. Marjoric felt its subtle influence, and did not wonder at the high spirits of the boys, as they sometimes ran races or made little detours across fentes into fields, and sometimes dropped into line and made little jokes with Professor Duncan. He was in his most genial mood, to0, and entered with spirit into the quips and cranks' of the toys, occasionally giving them an originel conundrum suggested by the impressions of the moment, and creatong much amusement when the answer was either guessed or revealed-generally the latter. By degrees, however, no one knew how, the solemn beauty of the moonlight landscape sobered them into a quieter mood. And in a similar way, as it often happened, without any particular intention. Professor Duncan had got on his favorite subject: the old davs of the French pionerrs, and incidents of the guerilla warfare of those days which had taken place in that vicinity.
' We!!,' said Gerald, ' 1 shouldn't have objected to some of those adventures. The excitement must have been something to make up for the hardship.

And what grand times they must have had,' said Alan, 'when they had the country all to themselves, and could go on their snowshoes all through the woods, with luts of game everywhere, and nothing to do in winter but shoot it and keep themselves warm!'

Yes,' said the professor ; 'but it wasn't such a fine thing to come across an ambuscade of Indians with their guns or tomahawks, and know that at any moment you might be scalped or carried of to a fate a thousand times worse.'
' No,' replied Gerald. 'That was the other side.
'Yes, my boy,' the professor went on, 'it's very nice for us to be enjoying onrselves here tramping on light-heartedly, with a fine clear landscape all about us, and nothing and no one to make us afraid. But it was quite another matter to have to stumble along among the shadows of the grea. rees and fallen logs, never knowing when you might hear the crack of an arquebuse or the heart-chilling war-hoop, or be picked off without warning by an invisible foc! Why, do you know, the colonists at Ville Marie were often practically prisoners within their palisades, not daring to go out to shoot game or cut firewood, except in armed parties as though in an enemy's country, and then pursted back ofien with beavy loss. And the men got sick of staying mewed up in their fortifications, and no wonder, though they got a good lesson when Maisonneuve let them have their way, and then made such a plucky retreat.'

Was that the one Uncle Norman told me about in the Place d'Armes?' ssid Marjorie. - Yes. He was a splendid fellow-tha Maisonneuve; true Christian knight and gallant soldier!'

Well, it beats me,' said Alan, 'to anderstand how those people could give up every thing else, and go on suffering all they did for such a set of stupid, miserable savages as those Indiaus were!
(To be consinued.)

## A STRANGE (CLASSICAL) COINCI DE.VCE.

The colebrated astronomer, tho late Ricbard A. Proctor, has given almost a scientific character to the sabject of Strango Coincidences by the interestiog papers with this titlo published in his miscellancous essays. Siost persons havo, I suppose, happened now and then on coincidences so htrapgo os to scem, as tho Scotch say, unstrango as to scem, as cho sco coinaide canay. But these strange coincidences,
like our strange dresms, are usually lef: like our strange dresms, are usually lef:
(wisely no doabt) uniccorded. If now, in violation of this wise rule, I place on record one of my persunal experiences in this way, I am tompted to do so not merely because the incident seems to mo exceptionally remarkable, but also bocause it gives we an opportunity, of which I am giad to arail mysolf, of associating my nemo with thal of a very old friond, Mrr. John Langton, bat recently passed away aitor a vory nas. fal and activa lifo anusually prolonged.

Some twenty years ago，at Ottawa， Mr．Langton and the writer，being both at that time in the public service，＊Mr．Lang－ ton walked one morning into my office and after the usual greeting said，＂Have you ever thought of the meaning of the expression in the Palme，＇My lines are fallen in pleasant places＇$?^{\prime \prime}$＇The question was not official，but that did not surprise me，as Mr．Langton，in spite of his onerous official duties，kopt bimsolf in touch with the world of Literqture and Scienco and not unfrequently interjected into our official intercourse some unex－ pected literary or scientific query．I was obliged to admit that I had never thought of looking into tha strict meaning of the words，but thres out the suggestion that the ＂lines＂might possibly refer to the fisher－ man＇s lines．＂No，＂said Mr．Langton，＂the ＇lines＇are the surveyor＇s lines and the pass－ age merely means，＇I have been given a goodly lot of land．＇At least，＂he added， ＂that is the translation in the Septuagint，$\dagger$ and the worc oxoiva used there for the surveyos＇s lines，is a curious one，meaning properly a reed or rope of reeds，the primi tive measuring line．＂The word oxoivca
seemed utterly strange and unfamiliar and seemed utterly strange and unfamiliar and I could not help feeling that my little Greek was rapidly becoming less by disuse． Hardly had Mr．Langton left my office when I remembered that 1 happened to have in my office a copy of Gaisford＇s Hero－ dotus，picked up at an auction a few days be－ fore，and which，for some unaccountable reason，I had taken to my office instead of to my house．Thinking then of oxuiva and with a view to test my rustiness in Greek，I took up a volune of the Herodotus and opening it at randoun struggled through a page or two of the quaint＂Father of His tory，＂when to my amazement I came upon the following lines in an auswer of the Del－ phic oracle to the Lacedæmonians ：$\ddagger$

Séco tot к．т．$\lambda$ ．
 ＂I will give you to measure out with the ine a fair land．＂
Seldom has oracular response caused more surprise．There Fas the oxoivos the measuring line，there too，the кadov $\bar{\pi} \delta \delta \delta_{0}{ }^{2}$ ， the pleasant place or fair land $\S$ of the Psalmist．I could bardly believe ung senses． Was there anywhere in the Greck classics so apposite a parallel passage as that on which $I$ had thus strangely lighted！ Herodotus in hand，I rushed down ro Mr． Langton＇s office and holding out the volume bid him read the passage．Needless to say he was as muck surprised as I had been and said that he had never met with such a remarkable coincidence．And remark－ able it surely was．Consider the facts． That I，the Deputy Minister of the Interior， charged with the management of the lied Indiana of the North－west and elsewheroin Canada，whose education certainly did not include Greek，should have in mg office a Greek author of any kind was a priori
bigbly improbable；that the Greck author higbly improbable；that the Greek author
should anywhere contain a passage so ex． actly parallel was equally improbable． Again that it should have occurred to me to look into the book for the purpose o testing myself in Greck was also most im probable，and lastly，that opening one of the volumes at random，I should have como at once on this particular passage was perhaps tie most improbablo of all．

I woald merely say，in conclusion，that if any classical scholar can point out in tho whele rango of the Greek classics a passage
 the＂年位veyor＇s line＂and the＂fair land，＂
s：c similarly brought into juxtaposition． I shall perhaps not consider tho coincidence． I have recorded as 80 rewariable．Until then I shall think myself jastifed in placiag it high in the category of strango coincid－ caces．EE．A．IFcradien，in The Wcek．
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From alcoholic cup ：nor link
With my pure breath totacco＇s
For have I not a nught to be
As wholesome and as pure as she
Who，through the years so glad and ifee，
Moves gently onward to meet me？
A knight of the New Chivalry．
Of Chist and Temperance I would he，
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n nineteen hundted，come and see．
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## ＂NAN＇S WAY＂．＂

＇Nan，＇said Mrs．Hodges，as a tall，slender girl came hurriedly into the sitting－room． wait a minute，dear．I have a letter here from your Aunt Fannee；and she says＇－
＇Oh，well，mamma，＇interrupted Nan， haven＇t lime to hear what she says now．I＇m in a dreadful hurry．I＇ve got my room all torn up，and I want to put it in order betore school time．You can read to to the to－night just as well．＇
＇I think，dear，you＇d better watt and hear it now，＇her mother insisted gently；＂for she says she is coming to spend some weeks with us，and I am sorry，Nanny，but that means＇－
＇Oh，horrors，mamma 1 I know what that means．It means l＇ve got to give up my pretty room to her，and go in with Katue．I do wish we could have a house with a spare room in it，and not make me move all wres the house whenever adybody comes！Its per－ fectly dreadful！
＇I know it，dear；I＇m sorry it is neces． sary．But you must remember you took the spare room on condition that you would will． ingly vacate it wherever it was needed for guests．Surely，gou can get along very nice－ ly with Katie for a（ew weeks．＇
＇Oh，but，mamma，you don＇t know how I bate it！She takes a half－dozen dolls to bed and tumbles around nights，and pulls the covers every way！li＇s just horrid！＇And， with a shrug and a frown，Nan flounced an－ grily out of the room
＇Mamma，＇said little Katie，who had been a silent listener to the conversation，swill Aunt Fannie stay long ？＇
＇I don＇t know．Why，dear？＇asked the mother，smiling at the sober little face lified to hers．

Because－why，mamma，it isn＇t nice at all When Nannie rooms with me．She ：hrows my dollies out of bed，and scolds me so．＇
＇Yes，dear，I understand ；but you musn＇t mind it，Katie．Nannie does not mean to scold you ；it is only her way．＂

That nuod Nannie came to the table with a clouded brow，ate ber dinner in silence，and efier the meal was ended，went up to het room，where they could hear her closet doors angrily opened and closed，and bureau draw ers drawn noisily out and pushed in agan with a bang．Her mother sighed，but，know－ ing the fit of ill－humor would be overall the suoper if no one interfered，let her work at oft alone．

The next day Aunt Fannie came；and from the moment of her arrival Nannie was the de－ voted admirer of this sweet－faced moman with gentle voice and quiet manner．It was ser－ tainly lovely to be sweet and gentle；and for several days Nan＇s abrupt movements were beld decidedly in check，while the quick words and frellul toine，usually so ready in response 10 anneyance，were seldom heard．

But one day all wedt wrong．It tras rainy and cold for one thing，which always made Nan cross．Then ske was late to jreakfast ； and，Gading the coftee and the cakes cold，she first scolded the girl，then spoke angrily so Katic，was imperinent to her mulher，and ended by rashing off to schocl in the worst possible humor．After that nothing seemed $10 \mathrm{go} \mathrm{smoothly}$, and matters fell back into the old way，until cerrainly Jennic Clark was right，and nobody in her senses would bave thought of calling her＇suect．＇Yet uederall the fretfolocss was bidded a loving hearn， which expressed itself oftea in many belpful ways．She fas so traly kind aod thoughtul that they bad come to overlook the crossness， and crease it as Nan＇s way．

But Aunt Fannie saw with much surprise and anxiety how this babit of ill－temper had grown upon the young girl，until it bade fair to make herself and every one about her un－ comfortable．One noon Mrs．Hodges came into the sitting－room，saying in a troubled voice ：
－Nannie，$I$ wish you would go down and speak with Nora；for she is feeling very much hurt．She took such pains to do up your cam－ bric dress just as you wanted it ；and，when you passed through the kitchen yesterday and saw it on the bars，you said you never could wear it in the world，it was entirely too stiff．＇
＇Oh，nonsense，mamma！She ought not to mind a little thing like that．I know she＇s dreadfully touchy，but she ought to know me well enough by this time．It is just my quick way of speaking；and the dress was all right． after all．The old goose：I dida＇t mean to hurt her feelings ：bu：I＇llgo down，and make it all right with her．＇

Mrs．Hodges sighed as Nannie left the room，saying．to her sister．＇I do wish，Fannie， that Nannie was not so impulsive．She makes a great deal of trouble both for herself and others．Still，she does not mean anything by It ；for she has really a very warm heart，it is only her way．＇

That evening Nan came in the early twi－ light to her Aunt＇s room，saying
＇Aunt Fannie，it is too dark to study，and just right for a chat．＇
＇I was just wishing ior yuu，dear，＇was the repiy．＇Your mother and I were out driving this afternoon，down by the Long Pond；and I brcught home some plants for you to ana－ lyze．＇

O Aunt Fanaie ！How kind！Where are they？＇Nan exclaimed eagerly ；for just now she was very much interested in botany．
＇Over there on the table，dear；and I think they should be put at once into water， as they must be somewhat wilted．＇

Nan went quickly to the table，where in the dim light she could discern the heap of leaves and branches．Grasping them im－ pulsively with both hadds，to carry them to her room，she suddenly threw them from ber， and，rubbing her hands together，exclamed angrily：
＇For mercy＇s sake ！Why，what are they？ My hands burn like fire！
＇Oh，I＇m sorry，dear，＇said Aunt Fannie， gently；＇but never mind．They are netlies， and that is just a＇way they have＇．They are a very useful plant in many ways，and you must not mind it if they do sting you a little． They don＇t mean to hurt you，Nannie ；it is ＇only their way＇！＂
Nan＇s cheeks fusbed holly；but she bit her lip，and，silently slipping the dettles on a pa－ per，carried them to the room．Alter putting them in water，she stood a few minutes by the window，half vexed with the pain in ber hands， but feeliog a still sharper pain in ber heart． Suddenly she felt herself folded closely in two loving arms，while a tender voice said ：
－Was the lesson too severe，dear ？＇
With quickly filling cyes，Nannic tarned to her，saying ：
－OAunt Fannic ！Do you think 1 am like the netle？Do you mean that？＇

In the gathering twilight they sat down to－ gether for a long and earnest talk，in the course of which＇Nan＇s way＇looked more hatefalio herself than it could have ever seemed to anyone else．Iust before they sepa－ rated Nan said carnestly：
－Somebody once said of somebody that her ways were ways of pleasantaess，and all her paths were peace＇．I thank that ras love－ ly：
＇Yes，dear，＇replied ber aunt，stroking the falr head as it lay on her sbualder，＇Soiomon said it of Wisciom，and many have found it true．＇
＇I koomi＇said Nan，catching the caressiag hand，and playfully kissing it ；＇but sirece then somebody said it of you，Anot Fande，and ＇many bave found it true．＇If I thought that， by erging ever so hard，years from now peo－ ple wocld say that of me 1 Auat Fannic，500 must belp me，for it will be dreadfully hard； but I anllitr，for I mean to basin a grev sway from this very night．－Tinc Aḋocrice．

AN HOTEL MAN＇S STORY．
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## Sufferel Intensely From Rheumatism Six Ductors and Mineral Sprmgs Finled ta Help，Han－How Ho Fomal a Cure His Wife Also Restored to Heath－Aduse u）Others．

## From the Thronto World．

One of the most popular officers at the re－ cont mecting of the Masonic（imand Lodge of Canada was Rev．L．A．Botts，of Brockville， Grand Chaplain fur 1893－94．While on his way to grand lodge Rev Mr．Betts spent sumu time in Toronto，and anows wher pouts of interest visited the Wurla vilice．It seems natural to talk Dr．Williame＇Jink Palls wany one hailing from the home of that world famous medicine，and incidentally the conver－ sation with Mr．Betts turned in that direction， when he told the World that he haid that day met an old friend whose cxporience was a most remarkahle one．The friend alluded to is Mr John Soby，for many years prupretar of who of the leading hutels of Napance，but now： resident of Thronto，and proprictor of whe of the Queen City＇s newest and flatest hustelrace， the Grand Vion Hutel，uppuvite the I mon depot．The World was impressed with，the shary Mr Bettis tha，and determaned to meter． viow Mr Soby al a secure the particulars of his case fur publication．Ar．sobly frecly orves his testimuny to the roud done hun by $\mathrm{Dr}_{\mathrm{r}}$ Whallams＇Pink Pills．A few years ago rheumatism with its attendant hergun of aches ind bains fastened upun ham，and he was forced h．，retire from husunces．＊For months．＂ said Mr．Soby，＂I suffered and could find no relief from doctors or medicincs．The disease was always worse in the spring and fall，and last year I was almost crippleal with pan． From my knee tor my shoulder shot pans which felt like redhot necdles．Then all my limbs would be affected at unce．Half－a．duzen ductors，une after the other，tred to cure me， but dill nu gowd．The rheumatism secmed ：o be getting worse．As I had tried almost erery－ thing the dochers could suggest，I thought I would try a little prescribmer on my own account and purchased a supply of Pink Pills． The good offects were soon perceptiblic，and I procured a second supply，and before these were gone I was cured of a malady sax ductors could not put an end to． 1 have recovered my appetite，never felt better may hife，and I give Dr．Williams＇Pink Pills credrt for this tronsformation．My wife，too，is justas warm an advocate as I am．Ai suffere for years she has expunenced to the full the good of Dr． Willianas msaiuable remedy，and recommends it to all women．$\cdot$ From what trouble was your wifo sufferng $\left.\right|^{\prime}$ asked tho reporter． ＂Well，I cant just tell you that，＂said Mr． Soly．＂I du not know，and 1 don＇t think she did．It＇s just the same with hali the women． They aro sick．weak and dispirited，havo no appectite and secm to be fading anay．There is no active discase at work，but something is Wrong．That nas just the may Fith my wifc． Sho was a martyr to desspensia，nover in perfect health，and when sho saw Lio change tho Pink Pills mado in me she tricd them．Tho mareel－ ous improvemeat mas just as marked in her csic as in my own，and she siys that her whole system is built up，and that the despeppsia and sick headaches hare ranished．Sho，as well is myself，secms to lave regained jouth，and I hare not the slightest hesitation in pmanune ing the remedy ono of the mast maiuable dis． coveries of the century．Let the doubters call and see me and they rili beconvinced．＂

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Rev. Dr. Grant, of Orilla, occupied his pulpi for the tirst time since his vacation last Sunday.

Rev. Prof Baird, of Winnipeg recently con ducted communio

Kev. Iames lialiantyne, pastor of Knox Church Ottawa, returned from his vacation recenty, which was spent at Nantucket.

The Rev. Mr. Mitlan, ul Mition, preached in St Andrew's church, Guelph

Rev Mr. MclWillams, pastor of the American Presbyterian church, Mon
a holiday tip to linuland.

The Rev. K. W. Russ, M.A., Gilencoc, occupied the pulpit of the Central Drestyterian Chuich Torentu, on Sabbath, 26:h August.
liev. J. L.. Murray, pastor of Knox Church, Kincardine, accompanied by his daughter, was in
oodstock recently, the guests of Dr. A. Mackay:
Nev. S. W. Hisher, B.A., and Mirs. Fisher, of
Vest flamboro, retuned home this neek, after West flamboro, returned home this preek, after
their summer vacation, spent as Milford Bay, Muskok:a.

Kers. IE G. McBeth, of Winnipeg, recenily ve cupied the ,ulpit of the I'restyiterian Churchat Grand Forks in the alisence of the pastor, Rev Mr. Spence.

The leo. George Grant, B.A., I.1.S., was at Creemore hast Sunday week, supplying the pulpit of
the Kev. J. K. Ilenry, who is spending his vacation the Kev. I. K. Henry, who is spending his vacation
at Spartow I.ake.

The new Erskine Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Shertircooke Street and Ontario Avenue, Montrea!, has just been completed. some and imposing structu:
The Endeavor Sociely of Knox Church, Scuris, Mantoba, liev A. I. Drsseoll, pastor, has under taken the suppert of a na
the llonan tiels. China.

Rev. I. B. ArcLaren preached a sermon on in iant taptism an the l'resbyterian church, brcoklyn. last Sunday afternoon, to a large congregation. The
subject was ably haodled.

Ker. G. D. Bayne, M.A., of Iembroke, recent 1y visited his parents at Kemptwille, and while there preached twice in the Presbyt
IIe is a pasticulasly forceful speaker.
The Allenford Preshytetian Chu:ch, which has been undergong repairs, was re-upeued lasi Sunday
Res. Dr. Waites, of Owen Sound, and Kev. Mir. Rer. Dr. Waites, of
Kippen, of Tara, each condutied a service.

The Kev. Dr. Armstrong, pastor of St. Paul's Iresby:crian church, Ultaniva, bas returned to the time l'sovinees and Niew England sea coast.
liev. Innathan Goforth, the setumed missiunary om lionan, China, delitered an adiress last Fis
 roy, on Sunday.

Rer. Principal MacVicar, B.D., L.L.D.. of Iontreal, is expected to preach at St. Andicur' Church. Lindsay, on the second Sabuath of Sep
tember. in greai treat is in siore for all who may be able to hear him.

The contract for the new Presbyterian Church in Acton has been awarded to Joha J. Lawson Work has commenced. The lurict moth, carpenier
work and plasieting will cost $\$ 5,165$; the seats. pilpit, cic., $\$ 900$; glazing, $\$ 20$ ).

Kev. William palterson. pastor of Cooke's church. Toronto, and his tile arein the old country Their selurn has bern delajed by the serions
illness of Alis. Pallcrson. it will be some time before she is aile to be brought back.

The functal of the late Robert inlackinusn, of
 sisted by Vice. Dr. Mloore, Xev. J. Alacłarlane and Fer. K. En Kaoules. The deccased, 2 promiaem citizen, is greally lamenied.

The I'reshytetians of l'sescoll have one of the mentest charches. architecterall, in the I'rovince If is unique in design, and, intersally, is vers comi.riabiy arranged. Ahanasome sipe orgad presented to the conarcgrition by a
ioner, ados mach to the gencral effes.

Mrs. Samucl Giasgow, who has resided in Prescoll for over half a century, died there reecatis, She was an estecmed member of the Presispierian congreqaion. Jice. James Sicart, her pasior, preached a sermon in which he paida wellocer of the deceased tads.
It is th be regretied that the Rer. Thos. Scoulcs, of St. Andictr's Cherch, and Rcr. G. IS. (jeceg. of the West Preshytetian Cherch. New Wesiminster hare sesigned. At a recent mectiag
of Ireshoicry, ithe former was lain orer and the of lrestryery, ithe former ras land orcs and the
laticr was aceephed. Financial dificelites are said azict thas aceefred. Finamcial dins.
to be the caesc of both resigeations.

Rer. Gilbert C. Parierson, of Enhbro, occapics a promineat glace in the adinitation and aficelicn of his people. When he and has wile recicined home recenlly, afte: spending a frw weeks in the Mant ime rioniaces, this ract मivi well displase. inse in pire him = filtice ciecting. In the abseaze of the Ref. Mr. Sileox ihrocinh illness, Mr. D. R. Ross was appointed chairman. After the ctairraza's icmailis Mr. and Mirs. Pallerson trere called in the plaiform, and Mr. II. C Ross read the Eddrest of welcome. Rep. Mr. Paterson responded in a icel.

The Rev. T. F. Fotheringham writes: In order to enable members of the General Assembly's Sabbath-school Committee to take advantage of the special excursion rates of the Canadian Pacific Ramway, on September the 10th and 11th, the meeting called for the 5 th of that month is postponed to the tath. Same place and hour

The recent appointment of Mr. D. Chisholm. 1.C., of Purt Hope. to a judgeship is one that
meets with universal commendation. Judge meets with universal commendation. Judge cendent in the First Presbyterian Church, lort Ilope, for many years, and in his removal fond telligent wortier.

Rev. John McEwen recently conduc'ed normal classes at Windham Centre under the auspices of the 'rovincial Sablath School Association. While there he was the guest of Mr. James Edgeworth
The four meetings held were immensely suceessful a marked degree of interest being evinced at each liev. R. Leitch, the pastor of St. Andrew's Church is sloing a good work.

The Rev. Juseph Hamilion officiated in knox Cburch, Si Thomas, duting the absence of the prom the sec.titeasurer of the conercgation, it is said: "He preached with great acceptance, conducted the praver-meetings with vim and marked ability, and in his pasioral calls won the hearts of thuse whum he met by his simple carnestness.'

Rev. Dr. Mowat, of Queen's College, Kingston, occupied the pulpt of Wentworth Prestyterian
Church, Hamilion, on a recent Sunday. He preach. Chutch, Mamilion, on a recent Sunday. He preachchurch was well filled at the evening service, when he aged mimster spoke earnestly on God's plan of salvation. the beauties of the Christian life, the hortors of an eternal death, and the grea:ness of the sacufice made to secure lor a lost world freedom
from the bonds of sin. from the bonds of sia.
The organ question is agitating the people of hnox Church. Ayr, Just now. This is the only chuch in the Paris Presbyicry without an organ, and will doubtless not cojoy that disticection long. lalves people of haox Church never do anything of somes. $\$ 2600$ in one cullection, and we understand that those secking a musical instrument expect it will be placed in the church without using any of the congregational funds.
On learning that the congregation of Thame. lurd had moderated in a call to the Rev. W. Rober son, of Pushinch, a meetiag of the elders and managers of the later church was i.eld on the 13 th. o consider the sidation. Neany all the member arere present, and after conierence they unammoust Kobertson, on receiving so hearty an expression of cood will and so strong a desise to hare hini remaio, requested the Thamesford people to proceed no further with the call.
The Ladics' Aid Secieiy, of Knox Church. Leithand sucesselal and successful darden party at the eesidence of
Mr. J. D. Higinbotham. Not the least pheasant feature of the crent mas the presentation of a puise of S70, to Mrs. Mckillop (wile of the estecmed pastor, lev. Chates Mckillop, B.A.), by the ladies of the congregation, accompanied with an appreciativelywarded address signed by Mesdames ML. Kiskham and $K$. Raples. Alticr meeting all expenses, the proceeds of the evening amounied to $\$ 95.5$
andifersary services were conducted io Riverside Preshyterian Church on Sabbath, August 26th, by Rev. Geo. Sutberland, clerl: of Locdon Preshyeery. The church was well filled on cach ocensiod. No service was held that day in Guthrie Church, Melbournc. A larn social was held on Monday crening, August 2jth, at the residence of Mr. Alalcolm MeGugan. when, in addition to rocal and in-
stromenial music, excellent addiesics uere siven by slromenial music, excellent addiesies were given by
Hers. Sutherland, of Fingall ; Miller, of Mlosa, and thepastor, Rev. R. Stewart. Receipts שere ores \$100.

For some time the Willing Workers of Cooke's I'resbyterian church, Kiagsion, hare been engaged in makian cloining tor the two childsen whom they
are helping to supposs in a mission home. Last Tresda5 nisht a laree number of people eathered in the Sunday School rocmon to ${ }^{\circ}$ Ser fiamya Bastica and litile Tokecari.." What ther did see was suo Kingston children artayed in the gatments which these inicresting coaverts from paganistn are shortis to 2sseme. A short programme of masic was fiven, and Kev. S. Mousion, Ms.A., who occupied the chair, gave an explanalory address.

The Stayner Stun reports the Rice. R. Pouge 25 mecting with गemeh success in his wnok in connection with the Preshyictian Charch thesc. He is oppessd to raising mosey foie church parposes hy aid io riping off the charch debt on a recent Sabbath he preached on the subject of "Chistian Girsog, and then asked the people for a frec-will ontring. The rollowing lord's Das orer two number doncers was placed epan the plaic. A when ali shall have civen theit offering the amonot will :cach $\$=, 500$.

The well known braildiag in which the congre Estion of Firskice charch, AIcdireal, has worshipped for so many searr, which has seca the minista, Mr. Morait and in which had boed held mana important meelinems and conrestions, will be ocea pied lor the last time by the concreration on Sen. pard. Sepl. =3. A communion service mill be beld das, Sept. =3. An ming, zod in the ercaing 2 scacral serrice of thankscirisk fill take place. It has beria decided to ask the former pastons of thecon.jgrixation
to iake part in the openin services. Ret. Ir. Jordan, дow of Toronto, 2ad the.Re7. Mir. Black, mow

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The sixith annurersary of the induction of tne Ker. J. W. II. Milne, B.A., into the prstiral charge of Boston chutch, Esquesing, tras celebrated on Sab. balk, Aug. 26tb. Special sermons were preached
by the Rev. J. C. Smith. B.D., of Guelph, bo:h by the Rev. J. C. Smith, B.D., of Guelph, boih
morning and creniog, belore large and attentre morning and cFening, belore large and attentise
congregatsons. In the morning sermon Mr. Smith brought out very happily and forcihly the duty and privilege of the people to help their pastor in all departments of his work. The theme was taken from Gal. vi. 2. "Bear ye one another's burdens." The crening sermon wis a thoughtful discussion of the "Consiructire and Destructive in Chistian Character," from Matt. xxiv. 2. On. Monday evening ollowing, a social mecting of the congregation was held in the manse grounds. The vocal solos of Siss jessie Bruce, of simira, and the violin solos of
Siss Alice Kerr, of Coronto, in which she was as aiss alice Kers, of Toronto, in which she was at-
companied by hes sister, were much enjoyed by the co:apany present. Mfr. Miloe's six years work in Bosion church has been successful io the bigkes: sense. as is evidenced from the harmonioas and carnest spirit which pervades the congregation.

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There was a unites mecting of the Preshyterian $\operatorname{BIRTHS}, M A R R I A G E S A N D ~ D E A T H S$ congregations of East Oxford and Blenheim held in the Blenteim church on Monday afternoon. Aus 27th. Rev. Dr. Mackay, of Woodstock, presided the purpose of the meeting was to choose a postor, dealh of their late pastor, Rev. D. Ai since the Ph.B. There was a large attendance and ine ueatie, unanimity prevailed. Ooly one name was mention ed, that of Mr. A. C. Reeves, the young man who has been preaching there lor the last four months. Mi. Reeves has also received a call from Lakefield, Ontario. Ilis decision will not be known till the call is regularly presented to him at the next meet-
ing of the l'resbytery. ing of the l'resbytery.
Rev. W. A. MacKenrie last Suoday in the First Presbyterian Ehurch, Brockville, preached an admirable discourse on the subject of useful lessons gleaned from the life of HoD. C. F. Fraser. As one juncture he said: " We would think of him as promoted, as advanced to a higher station and surrounded by more congenial spirits. At the centre
cf that personality was faith in God. was a relipious man. Few have thought or fell mote profoundly than he regarding those problems which are the most essential of all. lle loved his God. The integrity, purity and devotion of his estecmed life were the manifestation of a sacred llame which glowed within.'

Rev. Dr. G. L. MacKay, the Formosa mission. ary, is now on his way to Scotland. IIs wife and children, as well as his Chinese student, Koa Kou, will still semain here on the farm of his brother, Mr. Alex. S. Mackiny, near Woodstock. Dr. Mac Kay's children are being educated in a private school near by and are making satisfactory progress Enclish languave in acquining a knowledice of the Eoglish tongue thoroughly and readily adapting Eoghsh tonfue horoughly and readily odapting
himself to all other kinds of work which he is saking up. Before he returns with Dr. Mackay to For mosa, Koa kuu will learn the atl of printing, spenc ing some time at it. It is the intention to take a printine press back to the island with them. Dr. mackay's many friends will wish him a pleasant and sale trip to the land of the heather.

Mention was recently made of the fact that Rev. Principal Grant, of Yucen's, laid the foundation stone of a new church to be erected at Winchester.
The proceediogs were of a most interestiog character. The receipts on the occasion from all sources reached the liberal sum of $\$ 650$. Mrs. (Capiain) Farlenger. of Morrsburg. will contribute a handsome memuial window. The new building will be $55 \times 77$ and
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will be a square tower with round buttresses at eath corner, the tower sising to a height of $S S$ feet. The seats will be arranged in circular furm, the seatian capacity of the auditorium being in the ociphborhood of 40 . The basement under the school sooms will be futted up for a libraty, kitchen and tea scom. The ceiling and wainscotting of the church wali be finshed in polished ash. The sivle of the architecture is Romanesque, and the build-
iog is said by those who iog is said by those who know. to be the only one

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS not zyorydino youk linky 25 czeta.

## MARMIAQIES.

At the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Duga'd Curtie, B.D, un dug, 24, 189.4, Jame Jonaldson, of Moniten), to Agnes, daughter of Mr.
Johin Scott, of Perlh, Ont.

At the residence of the bride's p.rents, 20 Maple Avenue, on Aug. 23rd, iSg, by the Rev. IV. IR Cuikshanks, B.A., David. W. Davies, of Barmouth Nurth Vales, to Eidie, second daughter of Mr. mas Mçueston.
On Aug. 13. at the residence of the bride's mother, Wood Bay, Maniluta, thy the Kev. Jas. Farquharson, of Pilot Mound, the Liev. J. L. hacown, of Franklin C'entre. Que., to Mary E.
eldes! da: ghter of Mri. James Cample 1):ATMS.

At No. 1 ledford Road, the residence of her brother-jn-law, the Kev. W. S. Ball, in her Sist car, Jane lyon Mackenzie, widhew of Georke late Hon. George Mr, Whand and I. Goud sister of the $\because-$
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A new church has been built at Clogher， Ireland，at an outlay of $£ 1,350$ ．

Professor John Stuart Blackie，it is said， can repeat nearly all of St．Paul＇s Epistles by heart．
Annic S．Swan recently opened a bazaar in
aid of the Kirn U．P．Church debt，which aid of the Kirn U．P．Church debt，which realized $£ 551$ ．

The British Museum has no less than 700 theological books written concerning the creation of the world．

Rev．Dr．Mackintosh，for 45 years E．C． minister of Buchanan，Stirlingshire，died at Taynuilt，on roth August．

The Cpief Justice of the．Court of Japan is a Christian and Y＇resident of the Young Men＇s Christian Association of Tokio．

The French officials in Madagascar are believed to be doing their best to discredit
British missionaries and cause the natives to British missionaries and cause the natives to resist their direction．
The Pope is instructing the bishops in Brazil to make provision for the better cduca
tion of their clergy，whose ignorance，he de． tion of their ciergy，
clares，is causing many evils．

General Booth＇s Rescue Farm at Hadleigh is bearing fruit．Up to the present no less than 14 tons of strawberries grown there have been sent to the London market．

Dr．Thorne，a pative of Barbadoes，and of Arrican blood，lectured lately in Largs Free church in advocacy of the formation of a
colony of West Indian negroes in East Central Colrica．
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The total production of gold last year in ${ }^{\prime}$ The total production of gold ，an increase
Queensland was $616,9+0$ ounces
on that of the previous year of 1 ，$j S z$ ounces． on that of the previous year of 1,3 S2 ounces．
Quensland ranks next to Vicioria in this respect．

Rev．G．H．C．Macgregor，who recently entered upon his ministry at Notting．hill， London，under such hopeful conditions，took his share of work at the Keswick Convention， and is now taking a holiday at Ballater．

The Duke of Arryll，who owns the island of Iona，will not allow anyone there to keep a
public－bouse．The residents are in a very public－bouse．The residents are in a very
happy state，for no policeman is needed，al． happy state，for no polea people live on the
though several hundrea island．

Arrangements bave been completed for an English edition of the late Professor Dill－ man＇s writings，Messrs．T．SS T．Clart，of Eanas wh，having secured the right of trans－
Edinburgh His commentary on Genests will pro－ lation．His commentary on
bably tee the first to appear．

The demolition of Govan Free church， built in 1843 ，has brought to light in the foun－ dation－stone copies of a number of Disruption documents，some old coins，medallions and
tokens，and a bust，in bas relief of Chalmers． tokens，and a bust，is
which in goosvation．
A Presbyterian Church Congress is to be held in Belfast the first week in October．The hela
speakers Fill include Drs．Dods and Laidlaw，
， of the Free Church of Scolland，Dr．Orr and
Dr．Donald MacLeod．Professor Macalister． of Cambridge，amongst others，will represent of Cambridge，amongrian Church．
the English Presbyterian
The galleries，rooms，staircases，and balus－ irades in the spire of Ulim Cathedral，the highest stone structure in Europe，have jusi been completed．The spire rises 16 fit．higher than those of Cologne Cathedral，and was finished structurally three vears ago；access is possible to an open balcony
spire 450 f．from the ground．
An old leader and trusted adiviser of the U．F．Church has been removed hy the death， at the age of eighty－iwo or Dr．R．S．Scnut．
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be filled the office of Home Secretary for be filled the office of home Secrecary for twenty－one years with conspicunus anins．
He fas elected Mocierator ia 158 ，and six Hears later retired from active service．

The npening by the Queen of the bazaar which was held at Balmoral on the 2pth and joth August，in aid of the boand most clabarate function．The Queen opened the bazaar on the first day and Princess Louise on the second dat：－Sialls were held by the Princesses Lonise，Beatrice，and Vicioria of Schleswig．Holstein，and by the Durhess of Coonaught and the Duchess of Fif，who，with
the Duke were guests at Balmoral durng the Dake，
the fanction．

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A Gorman inventor has devised a new kind of thermometer in which tolulol is to bo employed，instead of mercury or alcohol as at present．The advantages of the sub－ stitution are said to bo numerous． 4 In the first place，tolulol is a liquid of dark color， which would render tho column more easily seen；secondly，the freezing－point and boil－ ing．point of that liquid are far apart；finally， its price is not so high as that of mercury， and its manipulation doos not present any danger to the health of the workmen．

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shops at Indienapolis, shops at Indianapolis, where it was put in thorough repair. The engine was backed over the new track, into the annex, laboratory, and directly upon the carrying-wheels of the testing apparatus, under its own steam, indicating the ease with which the new laboratory may receive any locomotive for testing.

I was attacked severely last winter with Diarrhea, Cramps, and Colic and thought I was going to die, but fortunately I tried Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry, and now I can thank this excellent remedy for saving my life. Mrs. S. Kellett, Minden, Ont.
M. Perrotin (Paris Academy of Sciencess July 9) notes that Mr. Charlois of the Observatory of Nice, who has been exploring photography a definite zone of the celestnill sphere near the ecliptic, has discovered in two years by this means no less than ber with which he must be credited to ber with which he mast be credited to
seventy-two. In the course of his inves-seventy-two. In the course of his inves-
tigations, he found one hundred and twelve asteriods already known. If a table of as. teroidsin order of magnitude be constracted it is seen that in each order the number of new asteroids is less than that of the known ones, which seems to indicato that a comparatively small number remains to be photographod and that a tentative induction may be made as to the distribation of asteriods in space, in relations to their distance from the sun. MI. Perrotin is now devoting him. self to the study of M. Charlois' resulte, r da this end in view.

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A curions story, illustrating the preser rative properties of choke-damp, comes from Ohina. In the province of Anhui a party of miners recently strack an ancient shaft, phero history records that a great catas trophe occurred 400 yearsago. The miners, on reopening the old shaft, came upon up. Fard of 170 bodies of the former workers, iying whero thes had been overcomo with soul gas four centuries back. Tho corpses wero as if those of yesterday, quite freshlooking, and not decayed in any way. The faces were like those of mon who had only just died. On an attempt boing mado to move them outside for barial, they ono and all crumbled away, leaving nothing but a pile of dast and theremnants of thostronger parts of their clothing. The miners, terrified, fled from the spot, and though thero were raluable deposits of coal in the shaft nothing would indaco the saperstitious men to roturn to their work.

Tho Forth Bridge receives a now cont of paint every three years, nand one-third is tinually year, so that the painters are continually at work. Besides the painting, every part of the structure is carefully examined, and loose or defective rivets romoved and new $c$ 's put in their place. About fifty men are - ployed, and an ondeavor is mado as far as possible to retain the same men upoh the work, as it always takes new hands some considerable time to become thoroughly at home in some of the aerial positions they are at times called upon to occupy. At first this work was attended with conaiderable danger, but very complete apparatus in the sbape of small cages having now been provided, tho men run very little risk even at the highest and moost dangerous points. It. requires about fifty tons of paint to cover the bridge, and the area to be dealt with is something likes 120 acres.
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